



STAFF REPORT
The City of Oklahoma City
Planning Commission
January 12, 2023

Item No. IV. 14.

(PC-10862) Application by Mayfair Cultural Center, Inc., to rezone 3200 NW 48th Street from SPUD-626 Simplified Planned Unit Development District to O-2 General Office District. Ward 2.

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 modify the existing office based zoning to permit office use and development.

D. Existing Conditions

1. Size of Site (3 Acres)

2. Zoning and Land Use

	Subject Site	North	East	South	West
Zoning	SPUD-626	R-1	R-1	R-1	R-1
Land Use	Office	Church	Residential	Residential	Residential

3. Comprehensive Plan Land Use Typology Area: Urban – Medium (UM)

UM applies to fully urbanized areas of the city, most of which were built prior to the 1960s. Developments are expected to be larger in scale and have greater intensity and mixture of uses than developments found in UL. Development within UM areas should support efficient transit usage and provide pedestrian and bicycle access to retail, services, parks, and other destinations. Priorities for the UM areas include “infill” developments on vacant lots, rehabilitation of underutilized property, and development that supports revitalization of distressed neighborhoods.

4. **Development Context:** The subject site is the Mayfair Center located at the southeast corner of NW 48th Street and N Independence Ave. The site was originally developed as a school building in 1952 and was zoned to SPUD-626 in 2012 to allow offices for nonprofit organizations, an adult day care facility, and a telecommunication tower. The land surrounding the site to the east, west and south is zoned R-1 and developed with homes in the Mayfair West neighborhood. To the north is the Grand Mosque of Oklahoma City and one home. The new request for the O-2 District would allow all office uses.

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 (Oklahoma City)**
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**
4. **Information Technology/Geographic Support**

5. Parks and Recreation

6. Police

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. Streets, Traffic and Drainage Maintenance

9. Stormwater Quality Management

10. Traffic Management

11. Utilities

a. Wastewater Comments

1. An existing 8" wastewater main(s) is located adjacent to the subject site(s).
2. An existing 8" wastewater main(s) is within the required distance to the subject site and will be required to be extended to the furthest property line for any proposed development.
3. Line capacity is not guarantee and must be checked by the Engineer of Record and reviewed by the City.
4. 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.
5. 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.

6. 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.
7. 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.
8. Depending on development, sewer extension may be required.

b. Water Comments

1. An existing 8” water main(s) is located adjacent to the subject site(s).
2. An existing 8” water main(s) is within the required distance to the subject site and the developer will be required to extend a 12-inch or larger water main along street frontage and will be required to extend the water system to each lot or site within the development in accordance with City Standard Specifications and Private Development Design Manual.
3. 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.
4. 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.
5. 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.

6. 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.
7. 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.
8. 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).
9. Supply capacity for development is not guarantee and will be reviewed at time of review of construction documents.
10. Depending on development, water extension may be required.

c. Solid Waste Management

No Solid Waste Management services needed.

12. Planning

a. Comprehensive Plan Considerations

1) **LUTA Development Policies:**

Site Design:

- Utilize Best Management Practices (BMP) for stormwater.

Location:

- Mixture of density, lot size and building scale is appropriate as long as land use compatibility is achieved.

Density: The non-residential Floor to Area Ratio (FAR) range for the UM LUTA is 0.4 to 1.2 with a typical FAR of 1.

National, state, and local permitting require basic best management practices for stormwater management. The site is developed with a school building that is now used for offices. The FAR of the existing building is 0.2.

Automobile Connectivity:

- Maintain and enhance the connectivity of the street network.
- Protect existing traditional street grid and reconnect it where possible.

The site has frontage on three streets and existing access to NW 48th Street, a private street, and N Independence Ave, a public street.

Pedestrian Connectivity:

- Provide sidewalk connections to nearby uses.
- Discourage widening of neighborhood streets and increasing curb radii.

Sidewalks are available along the subject site on NW 48th Street and N Independence Ave.

- 2) **Compatibility:** The comprehensive plan includes a land use compatibility matrix used to identify potential conflicts between major land use categories. The site is currently zoned for office uses. No new potential compatibility issues are identified with the request. Projects in higher intensity LUTAs (UM) may be more appropriate for significant transitions of density, scale and mass.
- 3) **Service Efficiency:**
 - Water: *Served*
 - Sewer: *Fully Served Area*
 - Fire Service: *Urban Response*
- 4) **Environmentally Sensitive Areas:** No ESAs were identified on the proposed development site.
- 5) **Transportation System:** This site has frontage on N Independence Ave, a Connector Street; N Hamilton Dr, a Neighborhood Street; and NW 48th Street, a private street within the Urban Medium LUTA. The nearest transit (bus) service is located to the north along NW 50th Street and to the east along N May Ave.
- 6) **Other Development Related Policies**
 - Encourage the adaptive reuse of underutilized structures and the revitalization of older, economically distressed neighborhoods. (SU-21)
 - Require sidewalks on both sides of all streets in urban LUTAs. (C-7)
 - Support and incentivize the adaptive use of existing buildings, infill development, and brownfield development. (G-10)
 - 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 the Mayfair Center located at the southeast corner of NW 48th Street and N Independence Ave in the Urban Medium LUTA. The site was originally developed as a school building in 1952 and was most recently rezoned to SPUD-626 in 2012 to allow offices for nonprofit organizations, an adult day care facility, and a telecommunication tower. The new request for the O-2 District would allow all office uses. No new compatibility issues were identified with the request.

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

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