

CITY OF KANNAPOLIS PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION MEETING

March 18, 2025, at 6:00 pm

Agenda

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call and Recognition of Quorum
- 3. Approval of Agenda
- 4. Approval of Minutes: February 18, 2025
- 5. Public Hearing

a. CZ-2025-01 - Conditional Zoning Map Amendment - 3397 Camp Julia Rd

Public Hearing to consider a request to rezone property located at 3397 Camp Julia Road from Cabarrus County Low Density Residential (LDR) zoning district and City of Kannapolis Residential 4 (R4) zoning district to City of Kannapolis Residential 8-Conditional Zoning (R8-CZ) zoning district to allow for a 324-unit townhouse development. The subject property is approximately 53.18 +/- acres and further identified as Cabarrus County Parcel Identification Number 56334589390000.

b. Z-2025-01 – Zoning Map Amendment – 9172 Davidson Hwy

Public Hearing to consider a request to rezone property located at 9172 Davidson Highway from Cabarrus County Limited Commercial (LC) to City of Kannapolis General Commercial (GC). The subject property is approximately 0.38 +/- acres and further identified as Cabarrus County Parcel Identification Number 46823091760000.

6. Recommendation to City Council

a. <u>Text Amendment - TA-2025-03 - Tattoo or body piercing establishment in CC District by Special Use Permit (SUP)</u>

Consider a recommendation to City Council on an amendment to the Kannapolis Development Ordinance regarding allowing a tattoo or body-piercing establishment in the Center City (CC) zoning district by Special Use Permit (SUP)

b. <u>Text Amendment – TA-2025-04 – Maximum number of dwellings in a pocket neighborhood development</u>

Consider a recommendation to City Council on an amendment to the Kannapolis Development regarding increasing the maximum number of dwellings permitted in a pocket neighborhood development

- 7. Planning Director Update
- 8. Other Business
- 9. Adjourn



Planning and Zoning Commission March 18, 2025, Meeting

Staff Report

TO: Planning and Zoning Commission

FROM: Elizabeth McCarty, Assistant Planning Director

SUBJECT: Case #CZ-2025-01: Conditional Zoning Map Amendment

Applicant: QTR Development Partners LLC

Request to conditionally rezone 3397 Camp Julia Road to allow for a townhouse development.

** Following the public notification of the public hearing, the applicant, QTR Development Partners LLC, requested to continue the public hearing to the scheduled April 15, 2025, meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission. Necessary actions of the Planning and Zoning Commission as well as a project overview are provided below. A full staff report and recommendation will be provided for consideration at the April 15, 2025, meeting **

A. Actions Requested by Planning & Zoning Commission

- 1. Hold Public Hearing
- 2. Motion to adopt Statement of Consistency
- 3. Motion to adopt Resolution to Zone

B. Decision and Required Votes to Pass Requested Actions

Section 2.3.B.(1)a of the Kannapolis Development Ordinance (KDO) allows the Planning and Zoning Commission to render a final decision on a rezoning request. If there is a denial, an approval by a vote of less than three-fourths, or an appeal of the decision, then only the City Council shall have final decision-making authority. Any final decision rendered by the Commission may be appealed within fifteen (15) days to the City Council.

C. Background & Project Overview

The applicant, QTR Development Partners LLC, is proposing to conditionally rezone approximately 53.181+/- combined acres of property from Cabarrus County Low Density Residential (LDR) and City of Kannapolis Residential 4 (R4) zoning districts to City of Kannapolis Residential 8-Conditional Zoning (R8-CZ) zoning district. The subject property is located at 3397 Camp Julia Road and further identified as Cabarrus County Parcel Identification Number (PIN) 56334589390000.

An approximately 50.569+/- acre portion of the existing 53.181+/- acre tract of contiguous property was voluntarily annexed into the City of Kannapolis on February 24, 2025. Per the North Carolina General Statutes, a zoning designation must be applied to the property by the Planning and Zoning Commission within 60 days of the effective date of the annexation. The remaining 2.61+/-acres fronting Patterson Road are within the City of Kannapolis and are presently zoned Residential 4 (R4). The applicant is requesting that both portions, the existing R4 and the recently annexed property, be conditionally rezoned to R8-CZ.

Further analysis and a staff recommendation will be provided for consideration at the April 15, 2025, meeting.



Planning and Zoning Commission March 18, 2025, Meeting

Staff Report

TO: Planning and Zoning Commission

FROM: Kathryn Stapleton, Planner

SUBJECT: Case #Z-2025-01: Zoning Map Amendment – 9172 Davidson Hwy.

Applicant: Sustar/Little, LLC

Request to rezone property located at 9172 Davidson Hwy from Cabarrus County LC (Limited Commercial) to City of Kannapolis GC (General Commercial) zoning district.

A. Actions Requested by Planning & Zoning Commission

- 1. Hold Public Hearing
- 2. Motion to adopt Statement of Consistency
- 3. Motion to adopt Resolution to Zone

B. Decision and Required Votes to Pass Requested Actions

Section 2.3.B.(1)a of the Kannapolis Development Ordinance (KDO) allows the Planning and Zoning Commission to render a final decision on a rezoning request. If there is a denial, an approval by a vote of less than three-fourths, or an appeal of the decision, then only City Council shall have final decision-making authority. Any final decision rendered by the Commission may be appealed within fifteen (15) days to City Council.

C. Background & Project Overview

The applicant, Sustar/Little, LLC, is requesting to rezone property located at 9172 Davidson Hwy from Cabarrus County LC (Limited Commercial) to City of Kannapolis GC (General Commercial) zoning district. The subject property is further identified as Cabarrus County Parcel Identification Number 46823091760000 and is approximately 4.11 +/- acres. This property was voluntarily annexed on February 24, 2025. Per the North Carolina General Statutes, an initial City of Kannapolis zoning designation must be applied to the property within sixty (60) days of annexation.

This is a map amendment request without conditions as the intent is to straight rezone the property from LC to GC. If approved, any of the permitted uses in the GC zoning district would be allowed on the property.

D. Fiscal Considerations

None

E. Policy Issues

Section 2.5.A.(2).c. of the KDO states that Amending the Zoning Map is a matter committed to the legislative discretion of the Planning and Zoning Commission or of the City Council, as authorized by this section. In determining whether to adopt or deny the proposed amendment, the Planning and Zoning Commission or City Council, as applicable, may consider, and weigh the relevance of, whether and to what extent the proposed Zoning Map amendment:

1. Is the proposed rezoning consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and other applicable adopted City plans?

Yes. This area is located within the "Secondary Activity Center" Character Area as designated in the *Move Kannapolis Forward 2030 Comprehensive Plan*. The Secondary Activity Center promotes service-oriented small and medium-sized commercial developments and is designed to provide connections with neighborhoods and surrounding areas.

2. Is the proposed rezoning in conflict with any provision of this Ordinance or the City Code of Ordinances?

No. The GC zoning designation is appropriate for this area. There is existing GC zoning on nearby properties.

3. Does the proposed rezoning correct an error in the existing zoning present at the time it was adopted?

No. The proximity to other GC zoning and the Comprehensive Plan Character Area makes the requested GC zoning district an appropriate change.

4. Does the proposed rezoning allow uses that are compatible with existing and allowed uses on surrounding land and with the stability and character of any adjacent residential neighborhoods?

Yes. The GC zoning designation is compatible with existing and allowed uses on surrounding land.

5. Does the proposed rezoning ensure efficient development within the City, taking into consideration the capacity and safety of the street network, the adequacy of public facilities, the suitability of the land for the uses allowed under the existing zoning, and other relevant considerations?

Yes. This property is located adjacent to roads with adequate capacity and safety, and is a suitable use allowed under the requested zoning. Public water and sewer services are accessible to this site.

6. Does the proposed rezoning result in a logical and orderly development pattern, taking into consideration the size of the subject lands and the zoning and existing and proposed development on surrounding lands?

Yes. The requested zoning allows for a use that is compatible with existing adjacent general commercial uses.

7. Does the proposed rezoning result in significant adverse impacts on the natural environment, including but not limited to water, air, noise, storm water management, wildlife, vegetation, wetlands, and the natural functioning of the environment?

No. There are no anticipated significant environmental impacts from rezoning this property.

F. Legal Issues

None

G. Finding of Consistency with Comprehensive Plan

Staff finds this rezoning **consistent** with the goals and policies of the *Move Kannapolis Forward 2030 Comprehensive Plan ("2030 Plan")*, adopted by City Council, which designates the subject property as located within the Secondary Activity Center in the *2030 Plan*. Staff finds the request for rezoning compatible with the surrounding zoning and it is not anticipated to have an adverse effect on the capacity or safety of the surrounding street network, nor anticipated to generate parking problems or any adverse impact on the environment.

H. Staff Recommendation and Alternative Courses of Action

Staff Recommendation

The Planning and Zoning Commission may choose to approve or deny the petition as presented.

Based on the request being consistent with the 2030 Plan, staff recommends approval for Zoning Map Amendment Case #Z-2025-01.

Alternative Courses of Action

Motion to Approve (2 votes)

1. Should the Commission choose to approve the request for rezoning as presented in Case #Z-2025-01, a motion should be made to adopt the following Statement of Consistency:

Statement of Consistency: Staff finds this rezoning **consistent** with the goals and policies of the *Move Kannapolis Forward 2030 Comprehensive Plan ("2030 Plan")*, adopted by City Council, which designates the subject property as located within the "Secondary Activity Center" Character Area in the *2030 Plan*. Staff finds the request for rezoning compatible with the surrounding zoning and it is not anticipated to have an adverse

effect on the capacity or safety of the surrounding street network, nor anticipated to generate parking problems or any adverse impact on the environment.

2. Should the Commission choose to approve Case #Z-2025-01, a motion should be made to adopt the Resolution to Zone.

Motion to Deny (2 votes)

1. Should the Commission choose to recommend denial of Case #Z-2025-01, a motion should be made to adopt the following Statement of Consistency:

Statement of Consistency: The Planning and Zoning Commission finds this zoning map amendment as presented in Case #Z-2025-01 to be <u>inconsistent</u> with the goals and policies of the **Move Kannapolis Forward 2030 Comprehensive Plan**, adopted by City Council, because (state reason(s)) and is unreasonable and not in the public interest because (state reason(s)).

2. Should the Commission choose to deny Case #Z-2025-01, a motion should be made to deny the Resolution to Zone.

I. Attachments

- 1. Rezoning Application
- 2. Vicinity Map
- 3. Zoning Map
- 4. 2030 Future Land Use and Character Map
- 5. List of Notified Properties
- 6. Letter to Adjacent Property Owners
- 7. Resolution to Adopt a Statement of Consistency
- 8. Resolution to Zone

J. Issue Reviewed By:

- Planning Director
- Assistant City Manager



Zoning Map Amendment Checklist

So that we may efficiently review your project in a timely manner, it is important that all required documents and fees listed on the "Submittal Checklist" below are submitted with your application. Please either bring this application to the address above or email to bbarcroft@kannapolisnc.gov. The fees may also be paid online with a link provided by staff.

REZONING REC	QUEST
Rezoning – Request for an amendment to the Kannapolis Zoning Maj	
Requested Rezoning Property Address: 9172 Davidson Hwy. Co	Jilcold, NC 28027
Applicant: Sustain Ettle, EEC Proposed development: Annexation and rezoning from Cal	harrus County I C to City of Kannanolis GC
Annexation and rezoning from Cabarrus County LC to City of Kanna	
SUBMITTAL CH	ECKLIST
✓ Pre-Application Meeting	
Zoning Map Amendment Checklist and Application – Complete with all	required signatures
Fee: \$850.00 (\$500 Application Fee, \$300 Legal Notices and notification	r fee, & \$50 letter/sign public notice [see Fee Schedule])
Please mark this box to authorize aerial drone photography of the site	
PROCESS INFOR	MATION
Public Notification: This is a legislative process that requires a pubnotice, first-class mailed notice to adjacent property owners and of the KDO).	
Review Process: All applications will be reviewed for complia Commission for consideration at a public hearing which is he Laureate Center. The pre-application meeting, submittal of applic scheduling the public hearing. Please review Section 2.4.D. of	Id monthly on the third Tuesday at 6:00pm in City Hall blication, and payment of fees, must be completed prior
Action by Planning and Zoning Commission: After conducting application; conduct an additional public hearing on the application.	
Scope of Approval: An affirmative vote of three-fourths of the be necessary to approve a rezoning request. The approval of a does authorize the application to apply for a final major site may be appealed within fifteen (15) days to the City Council.	a rezoning does not authorize development activity, but
By signing below I acknowledge that I have reviewed the Submitems and reviewed them for completeness and accuracy. I aif incomplete.	•
Signed by:	
Applicant's Signature: Patrick Sustar	



Planning Department 401 Laureate Way Kannapolis, NC 28081 704.920.4350

ZONING MAP AMENDMENT APPLICATION

Approval authority – Planning and Zoning Commission

Applicant Contact Information	Property Owner Contact Information ☐ same as applicant
Name: Patrick Sustar	Name:
Address: PO Box 6600	Address:
Concord, NC 28027	_
Phone:(980) 521-0811	Phone:
Email: psustar1@outlook.com	Email:
Project Information	
Project Address: 9172 Davidson Hwy, Concord, NC 2802	
Parcel: 4682-30-9176 # of parc (attach separate list if necessary)	cels: 1 Approx. size of parcels: 0.38
Current Zoning Designation: Select	
Reason for map amendment: Propsed annexation	of 0.38 acres, which requires City of Kannapolis
Zoning to be assigned.	
	dged that if the property is rezoned as requested, the ly bound to the use(s) authorized unless subsequently Ordinance.
Patrick Sustar	1/24/2025
Application Applic	Date
Patrick Sustar	1/24/2025
Property Owner Signature	Date

Note: This is not a permit to occupy a structure. Owner and/or applicant are responsible for the location of utility lines and easements. Zoning Map Amendment does not guarantee the availability of water and/or sewer.

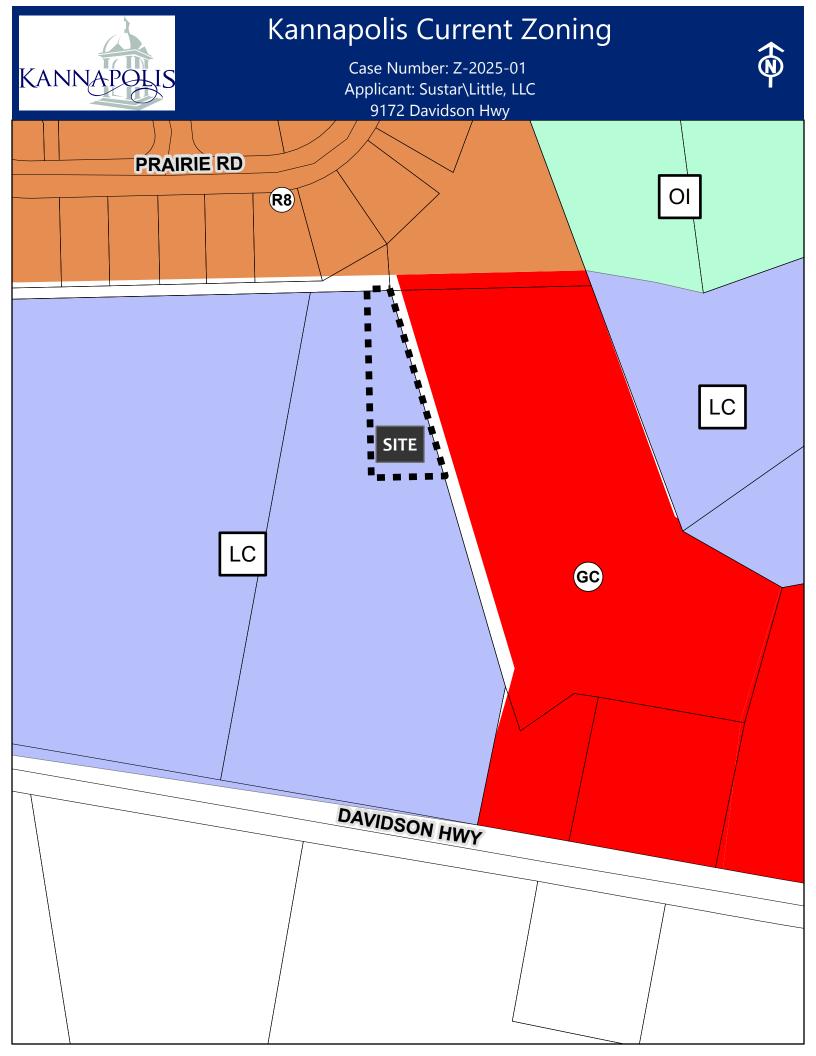


Vicinity Map

Case Number: Z-2025-01 Applicant: Sustar\Little, LLC 9172 Davidson Hwy





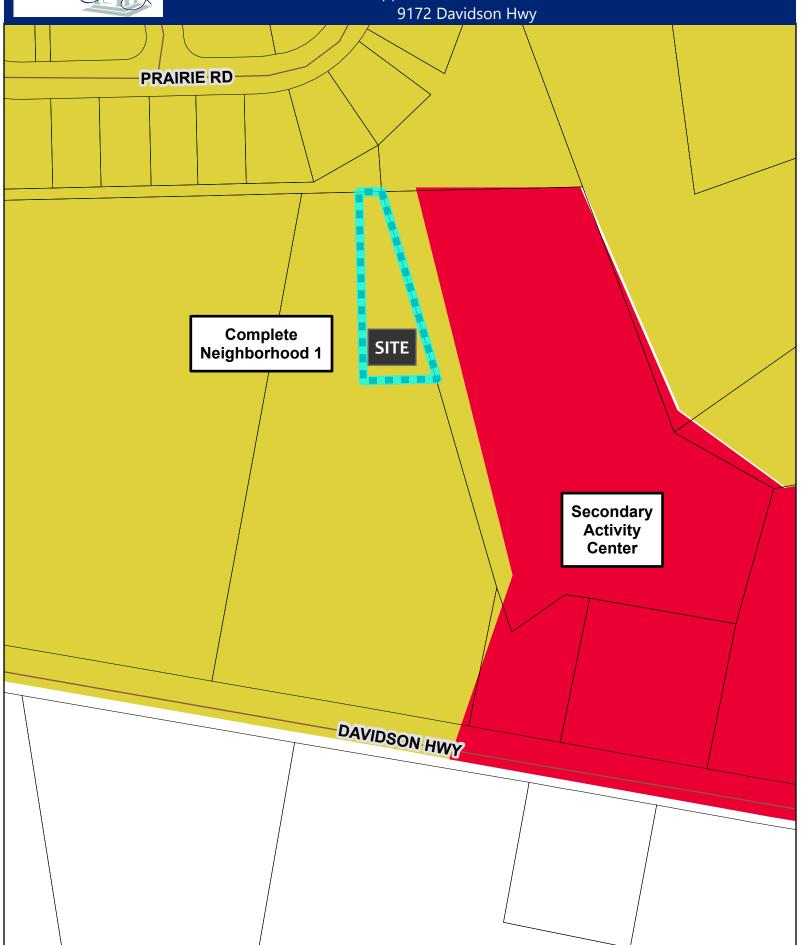


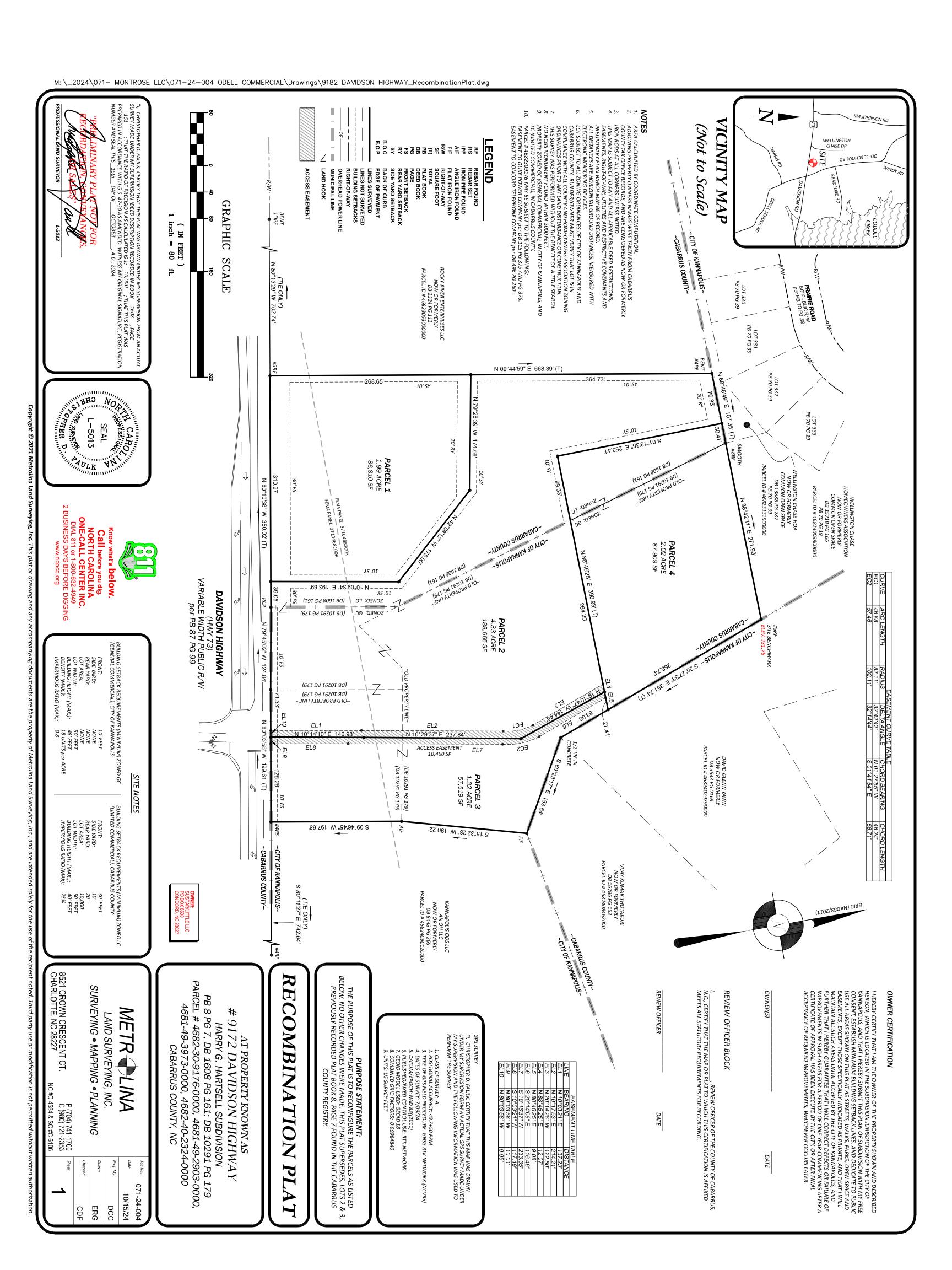


Kannapolis 2030 Future Land Use Map



Case Number: Z-2025-01 Applicant: Sustar\Little, LLC 9172 Davidson Hwy





AcctName1	MailAddress 1	<u>MailCity</u>	<u>MailState</u>	<u>MailZip</u>
ROCKY RIVER ENTERPRISES LLC	9280 DAVIDSON HWY	CONCORD	NC	28027
SUSTAR/LITTLE LLC and A NC LTD LIABILITY CO	PO BOX 6600	CONCORD	NC	28027
WELLINGTON CHASE HOMEOWN ASSOC and C/O CUSICK COMMUNITY MGMT	8008 CORPORATE CENTER D	CHARLOTTE	NC	28226
CLARK MARK and CLARK SHERRY WF	2146 PRAIRIE RD	CONCORD	NC	28027
COLES WILLIAM EDWARD JR and COLES SHANNA WEIGMAN WF	2158 PRAIRIE RD	CONCORD	NC	28027
CROSS LYMAN and CROSS DEBORAH WF	2176 PRAIRIE RD	CONCORD	NC	28027
GOODNIGHT DIANE and GOODNIGHT MARIAN	2175 PRAIRIE RD	CONCORD	NC	28027
GREINER MICHAEL and GREINER DIANE B	2152 PRAIRIE RD	CONCORD	NC	28027
LEWIS RICHARD JOHN and LEWIS GAIL CLAGETT SPOUSE	9581 HORSEBIT LN	CONCORD	NC	28027
SPANKE EDWARD and SPANKE LINDA WF	2164 PRAIRIE RD	CONCORD	NC	28027



March 4, 2025

Dear Property Owner:

<u>Please be advised that the City of Kannapolis Planning & Zoning Commission will conduct a Public Hearing on Tuesday, March 18, 2025, at 6:00 PM, at 401 Laureate Way, Kannapolis, NC for the following case:</u>

Z-2025-01 – Zoning Map Amendment – 9172 Davidson Highway

The purpose of this Public Hearing is to consider a request to rezone property located at 9172 Davidson Highway from Cabarrus County Limited Commercial (LC) to City of Kannapolis General Commercial (GC) zoning district. The subject property is approximately 0.38 +/- acres and further identified as Cabarrus County Parcel Identification Number 46823091760000 (see reverse side of this letter for a map showing the location of this property).

As an abutting property owner, you are being notified of this public hearing in accordance with the requirements of the Kannapolis Development Ordinance. You are invited to attend the public hearing and will be provided an opportunity to speak to the Planning and Zoning Commission, if you believe it to be necessary for their decision making on this matter.

If you have any questions about the public hearing or request, please do not hesitate to call the Planning Department at 704.920.4361 or kstapleton@kannapolisnc.gov.

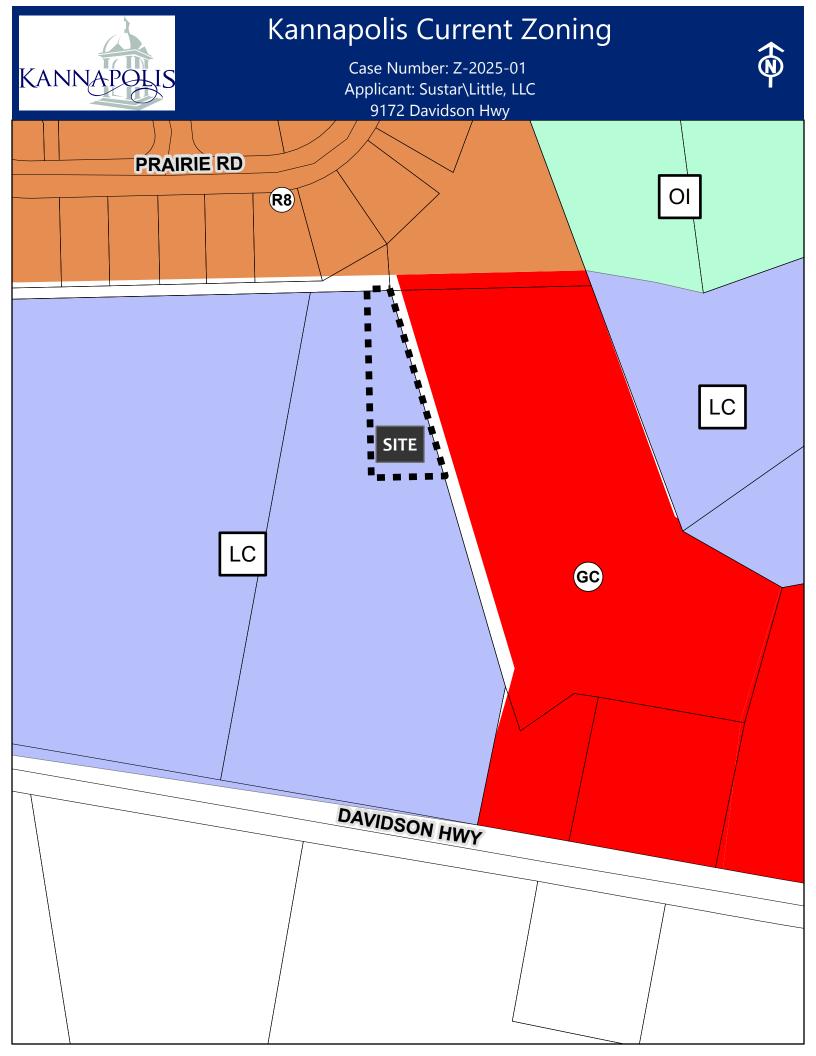
Sincerely,

Kathryn Stapleton, CZO

Planner

Enclosure

In accordance with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (AD), any person requiring an accommodation to participate in a function or program of the City of Kannapolis, should contact Daniel Jenkins, Assistant Human Resource Director & ADA Coordinator, by phone at 704-920-4312, email adacoordinator@kannapolisnc.gov, or in person at Kannapolis City Hall as soon as possible but not later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.





RESOLUTION TO ADOPT A STATEMENT OF CONSISTENCY WITH REGARD TO CASE #Z-2025-01

WHEREAS, Sections 160D-604 and 160D-605 of the North Carolina General Statutes specify that when adopting or rejecting any zoning amendment, the governing board shall also approve a statement describing whether its action is consistent with an adopted comprehensive plan and any other officially adopted plan that is applicable and explain why the action taken is reasonable and in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.3.B(1).a. of the Kannapolis Development Ordinance delegates final authority to the Planning and Zoning Commission on zoning map amendments subject to an affirmative vote of three-fourths of the Commission members present and not excused from voting, or if there is no appeal of the decision; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2025 the Planning and Zoning Commission conducted a public hearing to consider a request to rezone approximately 4.11 +/- acres of property located at 9172 Davidson Hwy., (Cabarrus County Parcel Identification Number 46823091760000), owned by Sustar/Little, LLC., from Cabarrus County LC (Limited Commercial) to City of Kannapolis GC (General Commercial) zoning district.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED The Planning and Zoning Commission finds this rezoning <u>consistent</u> with the goals and policies of the Move Kannapolis Forward 2030 Comprehensive Plan ("2030 Plan"), adopted by City Council, which designates the subject property as located within the Secondary Activity Center in the 2030 Plan. Staff finds the request for rezoning compatible with the surrounding zoning and it is not anticipated to have an adverse effect on the capacity or safety of the surrounding street network, nor anticipated to generate parking problems or any adverse impact on the environment.

Adopted this the 18th day of March, 202	5:
	Chris Puckett, Chairman Planning and Zoning Commission
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Kathryn Stapleton, Recording Secretary Planning and Zoning Commission	



RESOLUTION TO ZONE

Case #Z-2025-01 (9172 Davidson Hwy)

From Cabarrus County Limited Commercial (LC) to City of Kannapolis General Commercial (GC) Zoning Designation

WHEREAS, Section 2.3.B.(1).a of the Kannapolis Development Ordinance (KDO) specifically delegates authority to the Planning and Zoning Commission to take final action on a rezoning application provided, if the application is approved by less than a three quarters majority of voting members or denied, or if the Planning and Zoning Commission's decision is appealed, the City Council shall make the final decision on the application; and

WHEREAS, the Commission conducted a public hearing on March 18, 2025 for consideration of rezoning petition Case #Z-2025-01 as submitted to the City of Kannapolis Planning Department; and

WHEREAS, the request was to rezone 4.11 +/- acres of property located at 9172 Davidson Hwy., (Cabarrus County Parcel Identification Number 46823091760000), owned by Sustar/Little, LLC., from Cabarrus County LC (Limited Commercial) to City of Kannapolis GC (General Commercial) zoning district.

WHEREAS, the Commission has approved the request for rezoning and found it to be consistent with the City of Kannapolis *Move Kannapolis Forward, 2030 Comprehensive Plan*, reasonable and in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, per Section 2.5.A.(2).c of the Kannapolis Development Ordinance, the Planning and Zoning Commission makes the following findings in support of and in analysis of the rezoning:

1. Is the proposed rezoning consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and other applicable adopted City plans?

Yes. This area is located within the "Secondary Activity Center" Character Area as designated in the *Move Kannapolis Forward 2030 Comprehensive Plan*. The Secondary Activity Center promotes service-oriented small and medium-sized commercial developments and is designed to provide connections with neighborhoods and surrounding areas.

2. Is the proposed rezoning in conflict with any provision of this Ordinance or the City Code of Ordinances?

No. The GC zoning designation is appropriate for this area. There is existing GC zoning on nearby properties.

3. Does the proposed rezoning correct an error in the existing zoning present at the time it was adopted?

No. The proximity to other GC zoning and the Comprehensive Plan Character Area makes the requested GC zoning district an appropriate change.

Adopted this the 18th day of March 2025.

4. Does the proposed rezoning allow uses that are compatible with existing and allowed uses on surrounding land and with the stability and character of any adjacent residential neighborhoods?

Yes. The GC zoning designation is compatible with existing and allowed uses on surrounding land.

5. Does the proposed rezoning ensure efficient development within the City, taking into consideration the capacity and safety of the street network, the adequacy of public facilities, the suitability of the land for the uses allowed under the existing zoning, and other relevant considerations?

Yes. This property is located adjacent to roads with adequate capacity and safety, and is a suitable use allowed under the requested zoning. Public water and sewer services are accessible to this site.

6. Does the proposed rezoning result in a logical and orderly development pattern, taking into consideration the size of the subject lands and the zoning and existing and proposed development on surrounding lands?

Yes. The requested zoning allows for a use that is compatible with existing adjacent general commercial uses.

7. Does the proposed rezoning result in significant adverse impacts on the natural environment, including but not limited to water, air, noise, storm water management, wildlife, vegetation, wetlands, and the natural functioning of the environment?

No. There are no anticipated significant environmental impacts from rezoning this property.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Kannapolis Planning and Zoning Commission that the above referenced properties be rezoned from Cabarrus County Limited Commercial (LC) to City of Kannapolis General Commercial (GC) Zoning Designation.

Audpted this the 10th day of Warth 2025.	
	Chris Puckett, Chairman
	Planning and Zoning Commission
Attest:	
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Kathryn Stapleton, Recording Secretary	
Planning and Zoning Commission	



Planning and Zoning Commission March 18, 2025, Meeting

Staff Report

TO: Planning and Zoning Commission

FROM: Richard Smith, Planning Director

Elizabeth McCarty, Assistant Planning Director

SUBJECT: Case: TA-2025-03: Text Amendment

Consideration of a text amendment to Table 4.2.B(5): Principal Use Table to permit a tattoo or body-piercing establishment in the Center City (CC) zoning district by Special Use Permit (SUP)

A. Actions Requested by Planning and Zoning Commission Members

- 1. Consider Resolution to Adopt a Statement of Consistency for TA-2025-03
- 2. Consider motion to recommend approval of proposed text amendments by City Council

B. Decision and Required Votes to Pass Requested Action

Article 2, Section 2.5.A of the Kannapolis Development Ordinance (KDO) addresses the procedures for processing amendments to the text of the ordinance. The Planning and Zoning Commission shall review and make a recommendation to City Council on zoning text amendments. Per Section 2.5.A(1)b(5) of the KDO, the Commission's recommendation shall address whether the proposed amendment is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and any other applicable plans and policies. The proposed text amendment is requested by Christian Dunn.

C. Background

The applicant, Christian Dunn, is requesting a text amendment to the Principal Use Table to permit a tattoo or body-piercing establishment in the Center City (CC) zoning district by Special Use Permit (SUP). Presently, a tattoo or body-piercing establishment is only permitted in the General Commercial (GC) zoning district with approval of a SUP. The applicant is requesting the text amendment to locate a tattoo business on Oak Avenue in the CC District.

The KDO defines a tattoo or body-piercing establishment as follows:

An establishment where designs, letters, figures, body piercing, or other marks are place on the skin of any person, using ink or other substances that result in the permanent coloration or piercing of the skin by means of use of needles or other instruments designed to contact or puncture the skin.

The boundaries of the Center City (CC) zoning district and the Downtown Center Character Area overlap. The *Move Kannapolis Forward 2030 Comprehensive Plan* identifies the Downtown Center as the primary activity center in Kannapolis; it is the focus of commerce, government, entertainment, and cultural events in Kannapolis. The Downtown Center is characterized by the highest regional level of development intensity and density, with commercial, housing, civic, and cultural opportunities. It also is a target for jobs in the knowledge economy such as the North Carolina Research Campus (NCRC). The *Move Kannapolis Forward 2030 Comprehensive Plan* further recognizes ongoing public and private revitalization and placemaking investments in the Downtown Center. To implement this high level of development and complementary uses to the NCRC, the Downtown Center Character Area supports the primary uses of retail, institutional/civic, office, multifamily residential, and special activity/sports and entertainment venues. Secondary uses include light manufacturing and single family attached residential.

The applicant's proposed text amendment for tattoo and body-piercing establishments would apply throughout the CC District which encompasses the entirety of the City's downtown area. The GC District is the appropriate location for a tattoo and body-piercing establishment as reflected in the KDO. The GC District is the City's only zoning district where a tattoo or body-piercing establishment is permitted, and the use additionally requires approval of a SUP.

The City's General Commercial (GC) zoning is primarily along Activity Corridors as identified in the comprehensive plan. The comprehensive plan describes Activity Corridors as key travel corridors having existing commercial development that not only serve as a travel corridor but also as a destination. The purpose of the GC District, as stated in the KDO, is to accommodate a broad range of non-residential uses characterized primarily by retail, office, and service establishments. A tattoo or body-piercing establishment is more compatible in the General Commercial (GC) District than the Center City (CC) District.

The proposed text amendment to the KDO is <u>attached</u> as Exhibit A. Proposed changes are shown **bold**, <u>red-text</u> for deletions and <u>bold</u>, <u>green text</u> for additions.

D. Fiscal Considerations

None

E. Policy Issues

The proposed text amendment to the KDO is **attached**.

F. Legal Issues

None

G. Alternative Courses of Action and Staff Recommendation

The Planning and Zoning Commission may choose to recommend approval or denial of the text amendment as presented. The Commission may also add, delete, or change any of the language as proposed.

As expounded upon in the background information above, the GC District is the suitable location for a tattoo and body-piercing establishment. The GC District is the City's only zoning district where a tattoo or body-piercing establishment is permitted, and the use additionally requires approval of a SUP. Staff recommends that the KDO remain unchanged regarding the zoning districts in which a tattoo and body-piercing establishment use is permitted.

Based on the foregoing analysis, staff recommends <u>denial</u> of the proposed text amendment to the Kannapolis Development Ordinance

The following actions are required to recommend approval of TA-2025-03:

- 1. Consider Resolution to Adopt a Statement of Consistency for TA 2025-03.
- 2. Consider motion to recommend approval of proposed text amendments by City Council.

The following actions are required to recommend denial of TA-2025-03

- 1. Consider Resolution to not Adopt a Statement of Consistency for TA-2025-03.
- 2. Consider motion to recommend <u>denial</u> of proposed text amendments by City Council.

H. Attachments

- 1. Proposed KDO change: Exhibit A
- 2. Resolution to Adopt a Statement of Consistency

I. Issue Reviewed By:

- City Manager
- Assistant City Manager

EXHIBIT A PROPOSED TEXT AMENDMENT TA-2025-03

Table 4.2.B(5): Principal Use Table

P = Permitted by right, or, in planned development district, if specified in PD Plan; S = Special use; -= Prohibited

	AG		RESIDENTIAL					Mixed-Use						Non- residential				PD			LEGACY			Use-	
PRINCIPAL USE CATEGORY OR Type	AG	£	R2	R4	R6	R7	R8	R18	MU-N	MU-SC	MU-UC	MU-AC	TOD	ຽ	О	90	=	Ξ	PD	ā	PD-C	e	CD-R	្ច	SPECIFIC STANDARD S
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RESOLUTION TO ADOPT A STATEMENT OF CONSISTENCY WITH REGARD TO TEXT AMENDMENT TA-2025-03

WHEREAS, Section 160A-383 (2013), of the North Carolina General Statutes, modified in Section 160D-605, specifies that the governing board shall also approve a statement describing whether its action is consistent with an adopted comprehensive and any other officially adopted plan that is applicable; and

WHEREAS, the text amendments to Article 4, Table 4.2.B(5): Principal Use Table is consistent with the *Move Kannapolis Forward 2030 Comprehensive Plan*; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission met on March 18, 2025, to consider text amendment Case# TA-2025-03 as submitted by Christian Dunn and shown on Exhibit A (attached);

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Planning and Zoning Commission finds the text amendment as represented in Case TA-2025-03 is consistent with the *Move Kannapolis Forward 2030 Comprehensive Plan*, as well as state statutes, reasonable, and in the public interest, and is recommended for approval by the City Council based on consideration of the application materials, information presented, and the recommendation provided by Staff.

Adopted this the 18th Day of March 2025:

	Chris Puckett, Chairman Planning and Zoning Commission
Attest:	
Kathryn Stapleton, Recording Secretary Planning and Zoning Commission	



Planning and Zoning Commission March 18, 2025, Meeting Staff Report

TO: Planning and Zoning Commission Members

FROM: Elizabeth McCarty, Assistant Planning Director

SUBJECT: Case: TA-2025-04: Text Amendment

Consideration of a text amendment to Section 4.2.D(3)a.4(b)3 to increase the maximum number of dwellings permitted in a pocket neighborhood development from twelve (12) to thirty (30). The proposed text amendment was submitted by Green Street Capital Partners LLC.

A. Actions Requested by Planning and Zoning Commission Members

- 1. Consider Resolution to Adopt a Statement of Consistency for TA-2025-04
- 2. Consider motion to recommend approval of proposed text amendments by City Council

B. Decision and Required Votes to Pass Requested Action

Article 2, Section 2.5.A of the Kannapolis Development Ordinance (KDO) addresses the procedures for processing amendments to the text of the ordinance. The Planning and Zoning Commission shall review and make a recommendation to the City Council on zoning text amendments. Per Section 2.5.A(1)b(5) of the KDO, the Commission's recommendation shall address whether the proposed amendment is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and any other applicable plans and policies.

C. Background

The applicant, Green Street Capital Partners LLC, is requesting a text amendment to increase the number of dwelling units permitted within a pocket neighborhood development. The text amendment request is associated with a proposal by the applicant for a single-family detached residential development on Alpine Street.

The KDO defines a pocket neighborhood development as, "A clustered group of single-family dwellings oriented around a common open space." A pocket neighborhood development is a permitted use in the following zoning districts: Residential 8 (R8), Residential 18 (R18), Mixed-Use Neighborhood (MU-N), Planned Development (PD), and Planned Development-Traditional Neighborhood Development (PD-TND). Section 4.2.D(3)a.4 of the KDO establishes standards to facilitate the voluntary development of pocket neighborhoods that encourage affordable housing, encourage proper use of open space, and provide standards that minimize the impact of vehicle traffic and

parking. The *Move Kannapolis Forward 2030 Comprehensive Plan* supports the use of a diverse array of tools to promote affordable housing options such as pocket neighborhood developments.

The applicant is requesting a text amendment to Section 4.2.D(3)a.4(b)3 of the KDO that specifies the number of dwelling units permitted in a neighborhood pocket development. Presently, a development must have at least four (4) dwellings but no more than twelve (12) dwellings. The applicant is requesting that the maximum number of dwellings be increased from twelve (12) to thirty (30).

The proposed text amendment to the KDO is <u>attached</u> as Exhibit A. Proposed changes are shown **bold**, <u>red text</u> for deletions and <u>bold</u>, <u>green text</u> for additions.

D. Fiscal Considerations

None

E. Policy Issues

The proposed text amendment to the KDO is **attached**.

F. Legal Issues

None

G. Alternative Courses of Action and Staff Recommendation

The Planning and Zoning Commission may choose to recommend approval or denial of the text amendments as presented. The Commission may also add, delete, or change any of the language as proposed.

Based on the foregoing analysis, staff supports **approval** of the proposed text amendment to the Kannapolis Development Ordinance.

The following actions are required to recommend approval of TA-2025-04:

- 1. Consider Resolution to Adopt a Statement of Consistency for TA 2025-04.
- 2. Consider motion to recommend approval of proposed text amendments by City Council.

The following actions are required to recommend denial of TA-2025-04

- 1. Consider Resolution to not Adopt a Statement of Consistency for TA-2025-04.
- 2. Consider motion to recommend denial of proposed text amendments by City Council.

H. Attachments

- 1. Proposed KDO change: Exhibit A
- 2. Site Plan: Exhibit B
- 3. Resolution to Adopt a Statement of Consistency

I. Issue Reviewed By:

- Assistant City Manager
- Planning Director

EXHIBIT A PROPOSED TEXT AMENDMENT TA-2025-04

Kannapolis Development Ordinance Article 4, Section 4.2.D(3)a.4(b)3 Standards Specific to Pocket Neighborhood Development

- (b) General Standards
- 1. Pocket neighborhood developments shall be located on a parcel of land at least one- third (1/3) of an acre and no greater than six acres in area, with at least 50 feet of frontage along a public street.
- 2. Only single-family detached dwellings and incidental and subordinate accessory uses are permitted as part of a pocket neighborhood development.
- 3. Developments shall include at least four dwellings but no more than 12 30 dwellings. In no instance shall the gross density of the development exceed a 20 percent increase in the density of the underlying base zoning district.
- 4. At least 60 percent of the individual building lots shall front the common open space area provided in accordance with subsection (c) below, rather than a street or alley.
- 5. Each individual lot in a pocket neighborhood shall contain only one dwelling unit.
- 6. Individual lots and buildings shall comply with the standards in Table 4.2.D(3)a.4 below.



RESOLUTION TO ADOPT A STATEMENT OF CONSISTENCY WITH REGARD TO TEXT AMENDMENT TA-2025-04

WHEREAS, Section 160A-383 (2013), of the North Carolina General Statutes, modified in Section 160D-605, specifies that the governing board shall also approve a statement describing whether its action is consistent with an adopted comprehensive and any other officially adopted plan that is applicable; and

WHEREAS, the text amendment to Article 4, Section 4.2.D(3)a.4(b)3 Standards Specific to Pocket Neighborhood Development, is consistent with the *Move Kannapolis Forward 2030 Comprehensive Plan*; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission met on March 18, 2025, to consider text amendment Case# TA-2025-04 as submitted by Green Street Capital Partners LLC and shown on Exhibit A (attached);

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Planning and Zoning Commission finds the text amendment as represented in Case TA-2025-04 is consistent with the *Move Kannapolis Forward 2030 Comprehensive Plan*, as well as state statutes, reasonable, and in the public interest, and is recommended for approval by the City Council based on consideration of the application materials, information presented, and the recommendation provided by Staff.

Adopted this the 18th Day of March 2025:

	Chris Puckett, Chairman Planning and Zoning Commission
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Kathryn Stapleton, Recording Secretary Planning and Zoning Commission	