

**DALTON-VARNELL-WHITFIELD COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
503 WEST WAUGH STREET
DALTON, GA 30720**

MEMORANDUM

TO: City of Dalton Mayor and Council
Andrew Parker
Terry Miller
Jean Garland

FROM: Jim Lidderdale
Chairman

DATE: March 31, 2022

SUBJECT: The request of Chris James to rezone from Transitional Commercial (C-4) to General Commercial (C-2) a tract of land totaling 0.17 acres located on 921 S. Hamilton Street, Dalton, GA. Parcel (12-257-02-019)

The most recent meeting of the Dalton-Varnell-Whitfield County Planning Commission was held on March 28, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the Edwards Park community center. A portion of the agenda included a public hearing concerning the above matter. A quorum of four members of the Planning Commission was present. All legal requirements for advertising and posting the public hearing were met. The petition was represented by Chris James.

Public Hearing Summary:

Mr. Calhoun oriented the audience to the subject property and summarized the staff analysis which was in favor of the requested C-2 rezoning. Calhoun noted that the UZO requires that all parking areas be cement or asphalt in the City of Dalton, which would affect the subject property since it is currently a grass lot. There were no further questions for Calhoun.

Chris James affirmed the content of the staff analysis and made no additional comment other than that he may now abandon the project due to the significance of the necessary property improvements. The Planning Commission encouraged Mr. James to reach out to City Public Works officials to discuss potential alternative surfaces in hopes of finding a viable solution for both parties.

With no other comments heard for or against, this hearing closed at approximately 6:32pm.

Recommendation:

Chairman Shiflett sought a motion on the requested C-2 rezoning. **Jody McClurg then made a motion to recommend a C-2 rezoning based on her agreement with the content of the staff analysis. Eric Barr then seconded the motion and a unanimous recommendation to approve the C-2 rezoning followed, 3-0.**