

CITY OF FOREST PARK

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Staff Report – Conditional Use Permit

Public Hearing Date: June 15, 2023 City Council Meeting: July 3, 2023

Case: CUP-2023-05

Current Zoning: GC – General Commercial District

Proposed Request: Conditional Use for self-storage.

Staff Report Compiled By: SaVaughn Irons, City Planner

Staff Recommendation: Approval

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Owner of Record:	
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Name: Old Peachtree Properties, LLC

Address: 645 Elmwood D.

City/State: Forest Park, GA 30297

Applicant: Name: Gerald Tirella Address: 4140 Jonesboro Rd.

City/State: Forest Park, GA 30297

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Parcel Number: 13015D C007

Address: 4140 Jonesboro Rd., Forest Park, GA 30297

Acreage: 0.43 FLU: Commercial

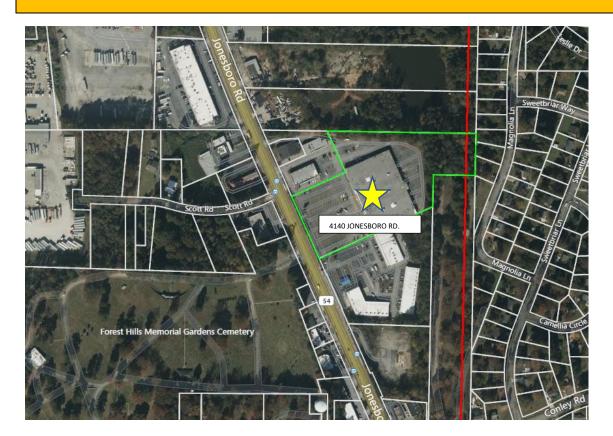
SUMMARY & BACKGROUND

The applicant is requesting a Conditional Use Permit to allow a 6,152-square foot renovation of the rear of the International Discount Mall to build self-storage units in the rear of the facility to be rented by existing mall tenants and general public. Presently, the space is utilized as an International Discount Mall at 4140 Jonesboro Rd. This property is currently zoned General Commercial (GC). The intent of the GC district is to provide a land use category for a diversity of commercial uses that provide products and services on a regional level. Per Sec 8-8-40 General Commercial District (GC) mini-warehouses and storage buildings are only permitted under a conditional use permit. West of the arterial street is Scott Rd. The street frontage for this parcel is Jonesboro Rd; North, West and South of the parcel are commercial/retail businesses and east of the parcel is outside the city limits.

ZONING CLASSIFICATIONS OF CONTIGUOUS PROPERTIES

Direction	Zoning & Use	Direction	Zoning & Use
	GC: General Commercial		
North	District	East	Outside of City Limits
	GC: General Commercial		GC: General Commercial
South	District	West	District

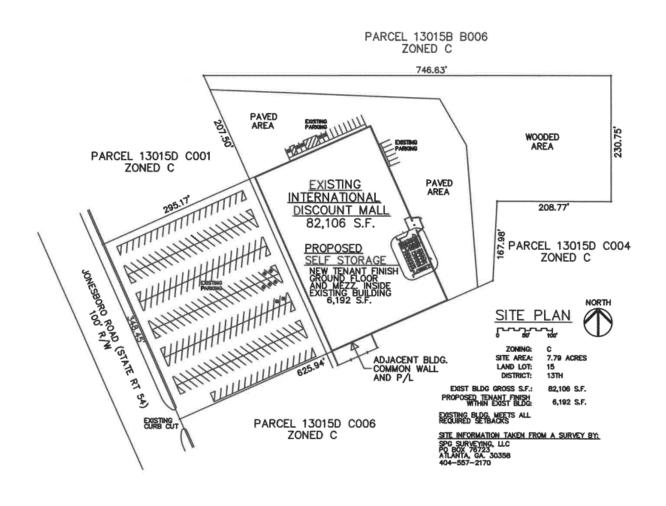
AERIAL MAP

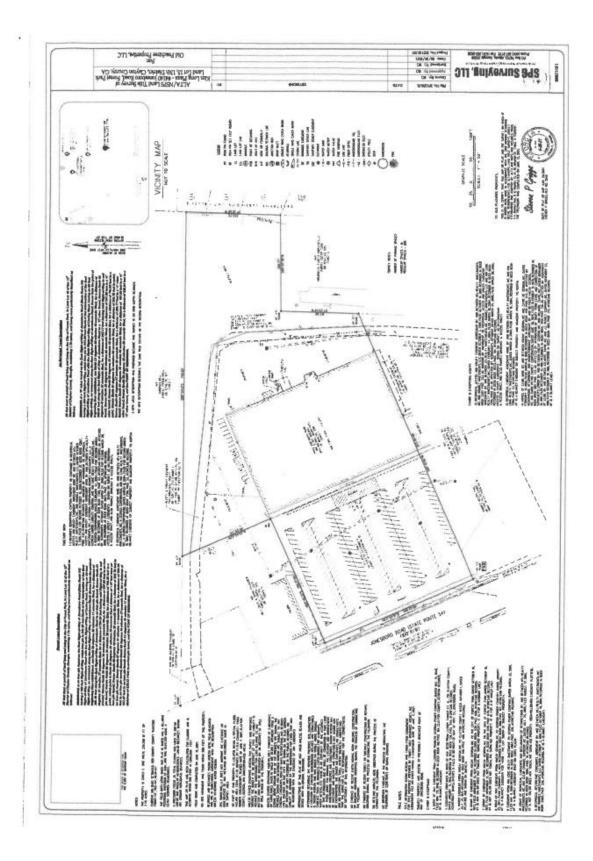


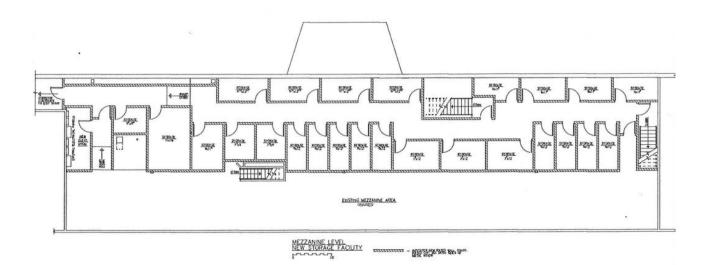
ZONING MAP



SITE PLAN







SITE PHOTOS – MARCH 2023



ZONING CRITERIA AND ANALYSIS

- 1. Would the proposed amendment be consistent and compatible with the City's land use and development, plans, goals, and objectives? The proposed use is compatible and consistent with the City's land use and development goals and objectives. The new interior addition to the existing discount mall will be built as self-storage for mall tenants. There will not be any renovations to the exterior of building.
- 2. Would the proposed amendment tend to increase, to decrease, or to have no impact on traffic safety and congestion in the streets? The proposal will not cause a significant impact on the transportation infrastructure.
- 3. Would the proposed amendment tend to increase, to decrease, or to have no relationship to safety from fire and other dangers? The proposed use will not have an increase, decrease of the relationship to safety from fire and other dangers if event space attendee numbers are minimized.
- 4. Would the proposed amendment tend to promote, to diminish, or to have no influence on the public health and general welfare of the City? The proposed development does not appear to be a detriment to the public health, safety, morals, or general welfare if the Conditional Use Permit is granted.
- 5. Would the proposed amendment tend to increase, to decrease or to have no influence on the adequacy of light and air? The proposed use will not increase, decrease or have any influence on the adequacy of light and air.
- 6. Would the proposed amendment tend to cause, to prevent, or to have no influence on the overcrowding of land? No.
- 7. Would the proposed amendment tend to cause, to prevent, or to have no relationship on the population distribution within the City, thus creating any area so dense in population as to adversely affect the health, safety, and general welfare of the City? The proposed use will not increase the population or density as to adversely affect the health, safety, and general welfare of the City.
- 8. Would the proposed amendment tend to impede, to facilitate, or to have no impact on the adequate provision of transportation, water, sewerage, other public services, utilities, or facilities? The proposed use will not cause any additional impact on the water/sewer and other utilities or other public services.
- 9. Would the proposed amendment tend to be compatible with environmental conditions in light of surrounding developments? If compatible, what factors, if any, would diminish the value, use and enjoyment of surrounding properties? The subject property value has no existing zoning restriction that would diminish the value and enjoyment of surrounding properties.
- 10. Would the proposed amendment tend to promote, to diminish, or to have no influence upon the aesthetic effect of existing and future uses of the property and the surrounding area? Granting a Conditional Use Permit would not diminish the future uses of the property and surrounding area.

- 11. Would the proposed amendment have measurable adverse economic effect on the value of surrounding or adjacent property? The use appears suitable for the nearby properties. The applicant has advised that the updates made to said property will be internal only. There is no indication of any potential detrimental causes that would decrease the property value of surrounding or adjacent property.
- 12. Would the proposed amendment create an isolated district unrelated to adjacent and nearby districts? The Conditional Use Permit would not create an isolated district.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends **APPROVAL OF A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT** to allow a self-storage addition in the rear of the International Discount Mall within the General Commercial District (GC) **WITH THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:**

- 1. The applicant must obtain a building permit for interior renovations.
- 2. The applicant will provide a letter of approval/consent from the property owner.
- 3. The applicant will provide detail rendering of what proposed addition will look like
- 4. The applicant will provide storage policies for owners.
- 5. The applicant will provide a Circulation plan for entry and exit of location for selfstorage.

Attachments Included:

- Application
- Letter of Intent
- Authorization of Property Owner
- Floor Plan