

# CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

## **MEETING DATE:** 01/25/2021

**REQUESTER:** Sooner Traditions, L.L.C.

## **PRESENTER:** Jane Hudson, Director of Planning & Community Development

**ITEM TITLE:** CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2122-31: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN. OKLAHOMA. AMENDING THE NORMAN 2025 LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION PLAN SO AS TO REMOVE THE NORTH ONE HUNDRED FIFTY (150) FEET OF LOT TWO (2), BLOCK TEN (10), OF PICKARD ACRES ADDITION, TO NORMAN, CLEVELAND COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, FROM THE LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DESIGNATION, AND THE SOUTH ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-TWO AND ONE-HALF (152.5) FEET OF LOT TWO (2), BLOCK TEN (10), OF PICKARD ACRES ADDITION, TO NORMAN, CLEVELAND COUNTY. OKLAHOMA, FROM THE OFFICE DESIGNATION AND PLACE THE SAME IN THE COMMERCIAL DESIGNATION. (1027 AND 1035 SOUTH BERRY ROAD)

## SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

The applicant is proposing development of a commercial shopping center on a 1.33-acre parcel. This development proposal requires rezoning from R-1, Single Family Dwelling District, and CO, Suburban Office Commercial District, because of requested uses and a NORMAN 2025 Land Use and Transportation Plan amendment from Low Density Residential Designation and Office Designation to Commercial Designation.

**STAFF ANALYSIS:** For changes in classification under the NORMAN 2025 Land Use and Transportation Plan, the following information is forwarded for consideration.

The role of the NORMAN 2025 Plan in the City's ongoing and diverse planning activities states the document must be flexible, and that it is updated and amended periodically. The Plan defines the desired land use patterns for use and development of all private sector properties. This Plan will serve as a policy guide for zoning and planning requests as they are presented to the Planning Commission and City Council.

## Has there been a change in circumstances resulting from development of the properties in the general vicinity which suggest that the proposed change will not be contrary to the public interest?

Public Works worked with Gateway Consulting and SAIC to develop a redesign of the streetscape on West Lindsey Street from 24<sup>th</sup> Ave S.W. to just east of South Berry Road. Construction of the project was completed in 2017. The project was created to help spark redevelopment of West Lindsey Street in this general area.

The lot to the south of the subject property, across West Lindsey Street, 1150 West Lindsey Street, was redeveloped as a restaurant and a lot south of the restaurant was developed as an additional parking area. The lot for the parking area was rezoned from R-1, Single-Family Dwelling District, to CO, Suburban Office Commercial District, with Special Use for a parking lot with Ordinance O-1314-3. The Land Use designation was changed from Low Density Residential to Commercial on the NORMAN 2025 Land Use and Transportation Plan with Resolution R-1314-7.

With the exception of the subject property, the corners of the intersection of West Lindsey Street and South Berry Road are zoned and designated as commercial.

### Is there a determination that the proposed change would not result in adverse land use or adverse traffic impacts to surrounding properties or the vicinity?

The property is already platted so a Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA) is not required. However, a Traffic Impact Analysis was submitted by the applicant to the City Traffic Engineer for review. The study showed that there will be minimal impact on the traffic in the area. There are two access points proposed for this development, one located on South Berry Rd. and one located on West Lindsey Street.

## CONCLUSION:

Staff forwards this request, Resolution R-2122-31, for City Council's consideration.

At their meeting of October 14, 2021, Planning Commission recommended adoption of Resolution R-2122-31 by a vote of 5-1.