SOUTH JORDAN CITY PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

Issue:	SOJO STORAGE
	SITE PLAN AND CONDITIONAL USE AMENDMENT
Address:	10907 S. Jordan Gateway
File No:	PLSPR202400183
Applicant:	Jeffrey Bernson

Submitted by: Damir Drozdek, Planner III Jared Francis, Senior Engineer

Staff Recommendation (Motion Ready): I move that the Planning Commission **approve** application PLSPR202400183 amending the site plan and conditional use approval to expand a self-storage facility on property generally located at 10907 S. Jordan Gateway.

ACREAGE: CURRENT ZONE: CURRENT USE: FUTURE LAND USE PLAN: NEIGHBORING ZONES/USES:	Approximately 1 acre C-F (Commercial - Freeway) Zone Vacant and Unimproved Land EC (Economic Center) North – C-F / RMP Substation South – C-F / Jordan Gateway West – C-F / Railroad tracks
	West – C-F / Railroad tracks East – C-F / Commercial Uses

STANDARD OF REVIEW:

All proposed commercial, office, industrial, multi-family dwelling or institutional developments and alterations to existing developments shall meet the site plan review requirements outlined in chapter 16.24 and the requirements of the individual zone in which a development is proposed. All provisions of titles 16 & 17 of the City Code, and other city requirements, shall be met in preparing site plan applications and in designing and constructing the development. The Planning Commission shall receive public comment regarding the site plan and shall approve, approve with conditions or deny the site plan.

CONDITIONAL USE REVIEW:

A use is conditional because it may have unique characteristics that detrimentally affect the zone and therefore are not compatible with other uses in the zone, but could be compatible if certain conditions are required that mitigate the detrimental effect.

To impose a condition on a use, the detrimental effect must be identified and be based on upon substantial evidence, not simply a suspicion or unfounded concern. Any condition must be the least restrictive method to mitigate the detrimental effect.

The Planning Commission shall approve a conditional use permit application if reasonable conditions are proposed, or can be imposed, to mitigate the reasonably anticipated detrimental effects of the proposed conditional use in accordance with applicable standards. *See* City Code § 17.18.050.F.1.

The Planning Commission may deny a conditional use permit application if the reasonably anticipated detrimental effects of a proposed conditional use cannot be substantially mitigated by the proposal or the imposition of reasonable conditions to achieve compliance with applicable standards. *See* City Code § 17.18.050.F.1. Further, City Code § 17.18.050 provides:

- I. COMPLIANCE AND REVOCATION:
- 1. A conditional use may be commenced and operated only upon:
 - a. compliance with all conditions of an applicable conditional use permit;
 - b. observance of all requirements of this title relating to maintenance of improvements and conduct of the use or business as approved; and
 - c. compliance with all applicable local, state, and federal laws.
- 2. A conditional use permit may be revoked by the City Council at any time due to the permitee's failure to commence or operate the conditional use in accordance with the requirements of subsection A of this section.

BACKGROUND:

The Sojo Self Storage is an existing business generally located at 10901 S. Jordan Gateway. This self-storage facility contains various size indoor storage units. This application seeks to expand on this use. Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) owns a parcel of land immediately abutting the facility from the east. The property is currently vacant and unimproved. However, high voltage overhead transmission lines run across the property making it more difficult to develop.

The applicant seeks to develop approximately one acre of this property as an outside storage and parking for RVs, boats and other recreational vehicles. An 8' rock simulated fence built by RhinoRock will enclose the site. A gate will be installed at the north end. It will provide access for RMP to do maintenance and some repairs. Storm water will be collected and retained in underground chambers located below the parking surface at the south end.

STAFF FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS & RECOMMENDATION:

Findings:

• Sojo Self Storage received a site plan and conditional use permit approval from the Planning Commission on January 12, 2016 as application SP-2015.30.

- This application will amend the original site plan and conditional use permit approval.
- "Self-Storage: C-F Zone: Self-storage uses shall not exceed six (6) total acres in the C-F Zone, and shall not be located on any property with a General Plan designation of TOD or on property located east of 250 West Street." (See §17.18.030.050:B.13.) The current self-storage facility is approximately 4.5 acres and this addition will be a little less than an acre totaling just under six acres. No other self-storage facilities are located in this zone.
- Staff is not able to identify any substantial detrimental effects to the adjacent properties or the general area or welfare with the proposed use.

Conclusion:

• The proposed project will meet the requirements of the Subdivision and Development (Title 16) and the Planning and Zoning (Title 17) Codes. The proposed use does not appear to violate any health, safety or welfare standards. Planning staff recommends approval of the project.

Recommendation:

• Based on the Findings and Conclusions listed above, Staff recommends that the Planning Commission take comments at the public hearing and **approve** the Application, unless, during the hearing, facts are presented that contradict these findings or new facts are presented, either of which would warrant further investigation by Staff.

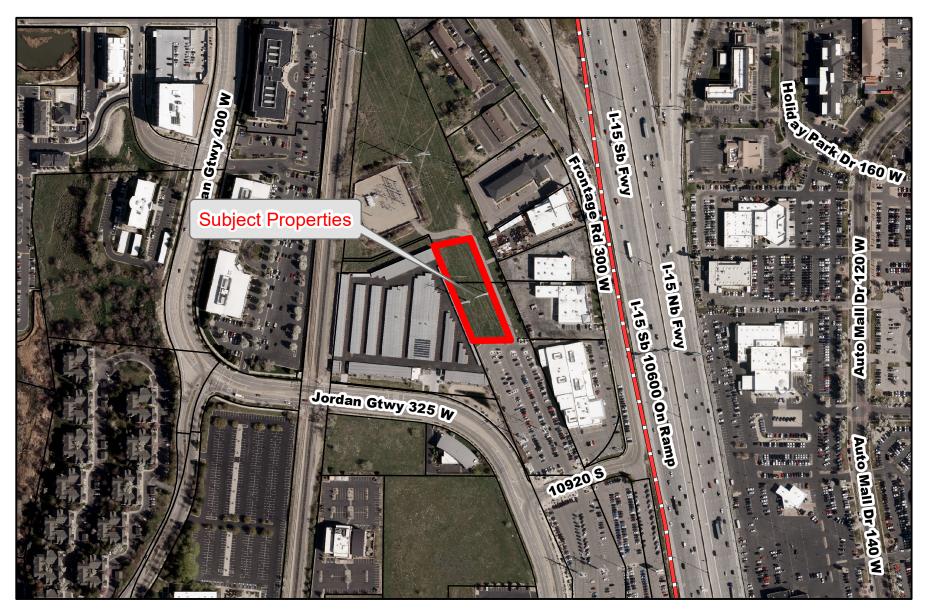
ALTERNATIVES:

- Approve an amended Application.
- Deny the Application.
- Schedule the Application for a decision at some future date.

SUPPORT MATERIALS:

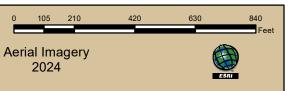
- Aerial Map
- Zoning Map
- Site Plan
- Drainage Plan
- Operations Plan

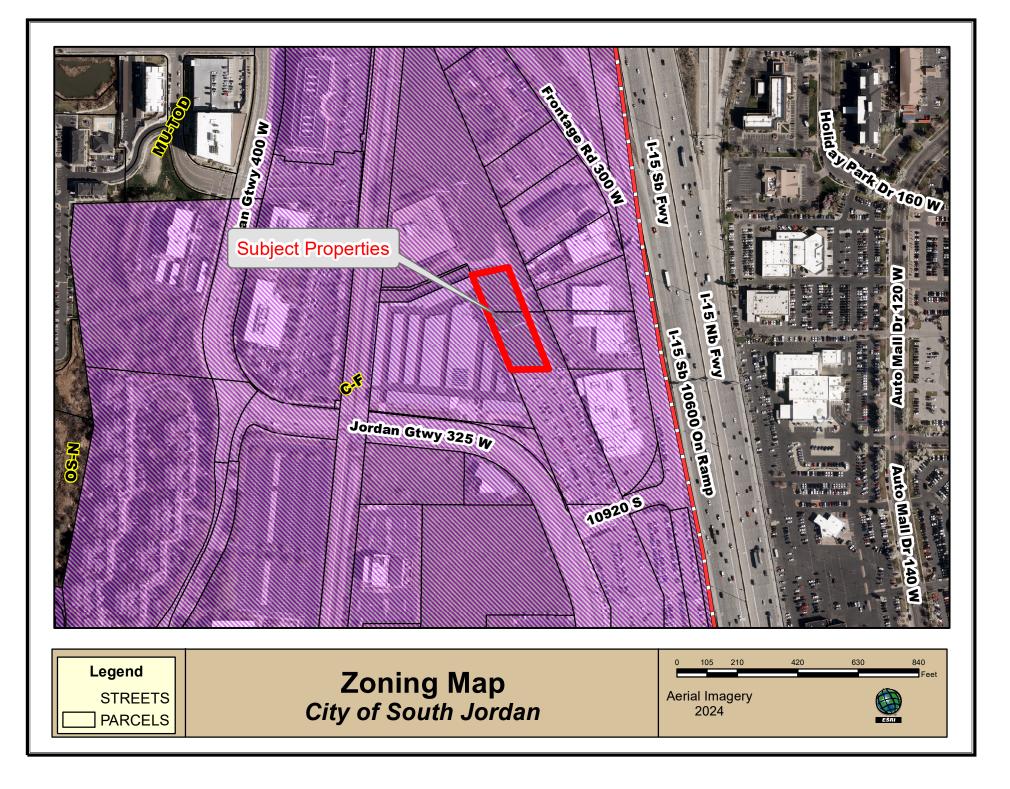
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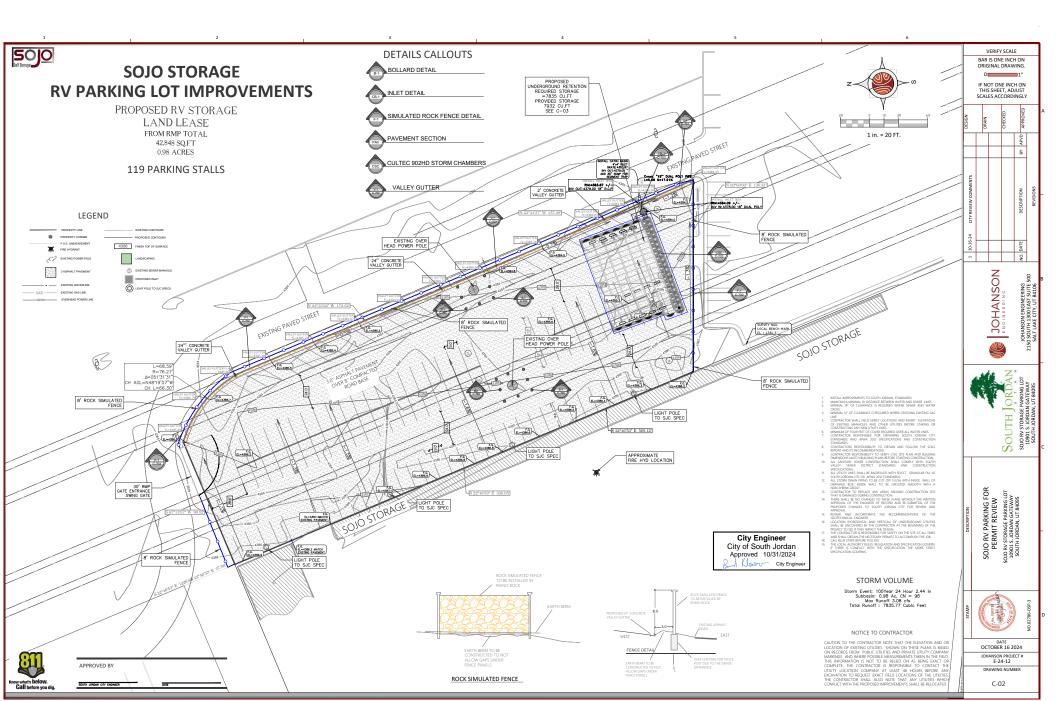


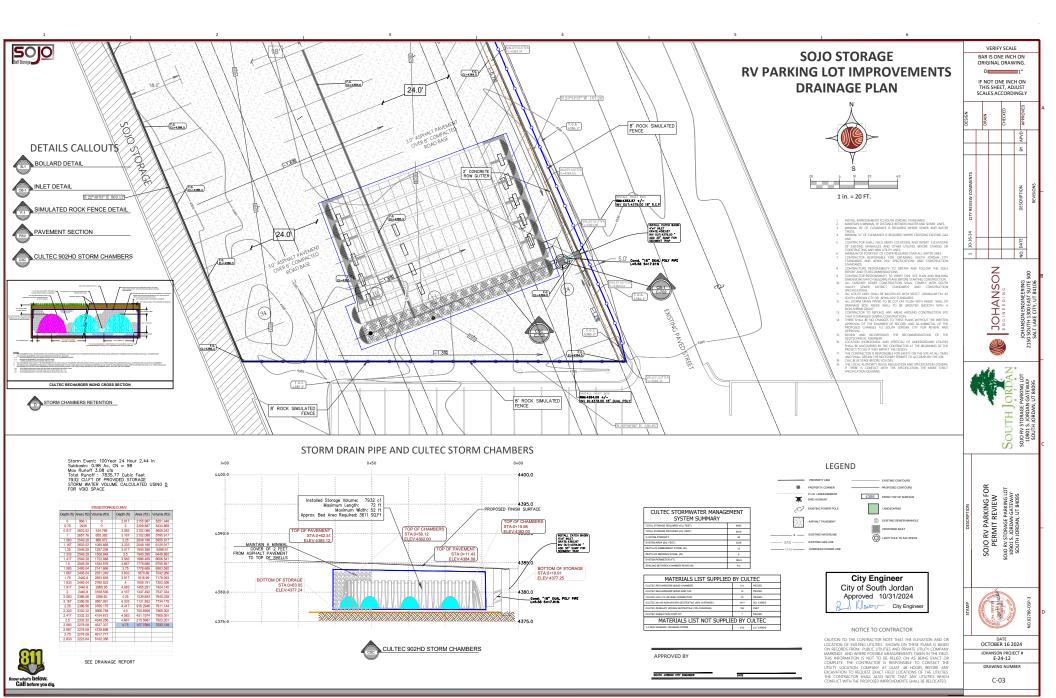
Legend STREETS

Aerial Map City of South Jordan









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Responses to Damir Drozdek's three comments

- 1. Operations Plan
 - a. <u>Purpose</u>: The operation is limited to the outdoor storage of RV's, boats, U-Haul trucks and trailers for rental in our existing facility's normal course of business, and other vehicles for long-term (six-month average) storage. Tenants will check in at the main office at the entrance to the existing self-storage complex. Access is through the main gate where the tenant will check in and the attendant will take the vehicle and park it in the designated space. When a tenant requires their vehicle, the attendant will then bring the vehicle to the front. Access to the area is through the main gate and will enter the outdoor storage area at the northeast corner of the existing property (there is no gate). The outdoor storage area is contiguous with the existing property.
 - i. <u>Sound</u>: No more than starting a vehicle and driving it out. One at a time. Similar to South Towne VW's inventory lot contiguous to the south.
 - ii. <u>Vibration</u>: No more than is created from a single RV rolling at less than five miles per hour. Basically, non-existent.
 - iii. Light: We have three lights shining down from west to east covering the property. We have no residential buildings within 1,000 feet of the property. Any light from the stored vehicles at night will be limited to those tenants accessing their vehicles after dusk, which will be minimal. The 8' walls will obscure those light beams. Again, we only have PacifiCorp's sub-station, commercial buildings (600'+ away), SOJO Storage, and the car lot.
 - iv. <u>Glare</u>: Based on distance from other properties glare is not an issue.
 - v. Odor: Not an issue.
 - vi. <u>Crime</u>: We will have security cameras monitored 24/7/365. This use will be a net positive for the curtailment of crime behind the neighboring businesses.
 - vii. <u>Hazardous Materials</u>: None.
 - viii. <u>Fire</u>: Less because the weeds will be gone.
 - ix. <u>Environmental Impacts</u>: Possible oil leaks from vehicles. We will remedy on-site by soaking up the oil and with liberal application of absorbing material. Sweep it up and properly dispose of the material.

- x. Since the scale of this operation is substantially less than a retail vehicle or RV dealership any of the above impacts are greatly reduced, if not eliminated.
- b. <u>Commencement Date and Office Hours</u>: We anticipate opening for business ASAP. The only thing restraining the opening is the City of South Jordan and the weather. Once opened our hours of operation will coincide with SOJO self-storage; 6:00 am to 10:00 pm.
- c. <u>Employees and Customer Estimates</u>: We will have no more than two employees at any one time and customers for the outdoor storage will average between five and ten per day. No impact on traffic or public services.
- d. <u>Circulation</u>: There is a thirty-foot chain link manual swing gate that is located on the north side of the outdoor storage area. This gate provides access for PacifiCorp to conduct repairs from time to time. It could also be used by emergency vehicles as well. There will be no tenant or facility use of that gate. The gate will be accessible through a security lock. Keys or codes will be made available where necessary. There are also two other access points within the existing SOJO facility. The main gate by the office on the south end of the property and another emergency access located at the southwest corner of the property. South Jordan City emergency services have current access through both of those points of access.
- 2. <u>Rehabilitation and Containment Plan</u>: There is no need for such a plan as storage of any hazardous or dangerous materials are prohibited in our terms and conditions for rental of either a unit or an outdoor storage space.
- 3. <u>Gate Details</u>: Explained above. The gate is a thirty-foot manual swing gate for PacifiCorp's or emergency services uses only. There will be privacy slats placed between the links to provide screening from outside elements.

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- 1. <u>Additional Gate Information</u>: Should be answered above.
- 2. Impeded Access to Fire Hydrant: The fence will not hinder access to the fire hydrant.