STAFF REPORT

April 26, 2001

No. 01RZ008 - Rezoning from No Use District to General ITEM 10 Commercial District

GENERAL INFORMATION:

PETITIONER City of Rapid City

REQUEST No. 01RZ008 - Rezoning from No Use District to

General Commercial District

LEGAL DESCRIPTION Lot C of NW1/4 SW1/4 less right-of-way, Section 17,

T1N, R8E, BHM, Pennington County, South Dakota

PARCEL ACREAGE Approximately .60 Acres

LOCATION 4302 S. Highway 79

EXISTING ZONING No Use District

SURROUNDING ZONING

North: Heavy Industrial District (City)
South: Heavy Industrial District (County)
East: Heavy Industrial District (County)
West: General Commercial District (City)

PUBLIC UTILITIES City Water and On-site Wastewater Disposal System

REPORT BY Karen Bulman

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Rezoning from No Use District to General Commercial District in conjunction with a Planned Development Designation be continued to May 24, 2001, allow time to initiate an amendment to the 1974 Comprehensive Plan.

GENERAL COMMENTS: This property is located on the east side of South Dakota Highway 79 and is currently the location of Smokin Joe's No. 12 Bar and Grill. This property can be accessed from Merrillat Road on the north or the Highway 79 Service Road on the east. At the request of the property owner, the City Council annexed this property into the City in 1998 and it is currently in a No Use Zoning District. At the November 22, 2000 Planning Commission meeting, a proposal to rezone this property to a Light Industrial District was considered. The Planning Commission recommended denial of the Light Industrial Zoning and requested that Staff advertise to rezone the property to a General Commercial District with a Planned Development Designation. The City Council concurred with that recommendation. Subsequently this application to rezone the property from the No Use Zoning District to a General Commercial Zoning District with a Planned Development Designation is being processed.

STAFF REVIEW: Staff has reviewed this request for conformance with the four criteria for review of zoning map amendments established in Section 17.54.040(D)(1). A summary of

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Staff findings are outlined below:

1. The proposed amendments shall be necessary because of substantially changed or changing conditions of the area and districts affected or in the City in general.

Lot C of the NW ¼ of the NW ¼ of the SW ¼ less public right-of-way, Section 17, T1N, R8E, BHM, Rapid City, SD was annexed in 1998. All lands annexed by the City shall, upon annexation, be placed in the No Use Zoning District. The No Use Zoning District is a temporary designation for the purpose of permitting investigation and study of the land uses in the area.

2. The proposed zoning is consistent with the intent and purposes of this ordinance.

The primary land uses on the east side of Cambell Street/South Dakota Highway 79 are industrial. The Pacific Steel and Recycling operation is north of the subject property, South Dakota Concrete Products is located to the east, and a utility substation for Black Hills Power is located south of the property. The property is currently the location of Smokin Joe's No. 12 Bar and Grill. On-sale liquor establishments as a use on review and restaurants are permitted in the General Commercial District.

3. The proposed amendment will not adversely affect any other part of the City, nor shall any direct or indirect adverse effects result from such an amendment.

The property is currently served by City water. City sanitary sewer is located just to the south of the property, and could be extended to serve the subject property. The amendment should not negatively affect any of the surrounding land uses or public infrastructures.

4. The proposed amendments shall be consistent with and not conflict with the Development Plan of Rapid City including any of its elements, Major Street plan, Land Use Plan and Community Facilities Plan.

The 1974 5th Year Update to the Comprehensive Plan identifies this area for industrial land uses. The Major Street Plan identifies Cambell Street/South Dakota Highway 79 as a principal arterial. This area has not yet been addressed as part of the Future Land Use Plan currently being developed.

Staff has mailed certified letters to notify property owners within 150 feet of the proposed rezoning and the required sign has been posted on the property. As of this writing, staff has not received any objections or inquiries regarding this request.