



Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

Legislation Text

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An ordinance to amend Title 17 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws, the Zoning Ordinance of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, by changing from IG to SP zoning for property located at 611 Cowan Street, approximately 245 feet north of River North Blvd and located within the River North Urban Design Overlay (0.41 acres), to permit a hotel and retail uses, all of which is described herein (Proposal No. 2023SP-057-001).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. That Title 17 of the Code of Laws of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, is hereby amended by changing the Official Zoning Map for Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, which is made a part of Title 17 by reference, as follows:

By changing from IG to SP zoning for property located at 611 Cowan Street, approximately 245 feet north of River North Blvd and located within the River North Urban Design Overlay (0.41 acres), to permit a hotel and retail uses, being Property Parcel No. 094 as designated on Map 082-06 of the Official Property Identification Maps of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, all of which is described by lines, words and figures on the plan that was duly considered by the Metropolitan Planning Commission, and which is on file with the Metropolitan Planning Department and Metropolitan Clerk's Department and made a part of this ordinance as though copied herein.

Section 2. Be it further enacted, that the Metropolitan Clerk is hereby authorized and directed, upon the enactment and approval of this ordinance, to cause the change to be made on Map 082-06 of said Official Zoning Map for Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, as set out in Section 1 of this ordinance, and to make notation thereon of reference to the date of passage and approval of this amendatory ordinance.

Section 3. Be it further enacted, that the uses of this SP shall be limited to 250 hotel rooms and 2,000 square feet of non-residential uses as defined on the plan. Short term rental properties, owner occupied and short term rental properties, not-owner occupied shall be prohibited.

Section 4. Be it further enacted, that the following conditions shall be completed, bonded or satisfied as specifically required:

1. On the corrected copy, update the SP purpose note to indicate allowed non-residential uses shall be as per MUG-A, except for Automobile Service, Automobile Parking, and Short-term rental properties which are prohibited. Remove the reference to allowed retail uses.
2. The final building elevations shall show a seamless integration of all architecturally-lined parking areas with the non-parking fabric of the building.
3. The following design standards shall be added to the plan:
 - a. Building façades fronting a street shall provide a minimum of one principal entrance (doorway) and a minimum of 20% glazing.
 - b. Windows shall be vertically oriented at a ratio of 1.5:1 or greater, except for dormers. Upper floor windows and other features shall be aligned with those of the ground floor.
 - c. Vertically orient materials, design elements and architectural details to emphasize the proportion of

height to width.

4. All above grade parking shall be fully ventilated. Where garage parking is visible, the facades shall be designed to be harmonious with the other facades of the structure. This shall be accomplished by using appropriate cladding, using complementary materials, carrying fenestration and design patterns through the façade, and any other design practices that can meet the overall goal of minimizing the visual impact of the parking.

5. Applicant shall continue to work with Planning Staff to simplify material and color palette of the building elevations.

6. At final SP, show bollards at garage opening to provide a separation between vehicular and pedestrian areas.

7. The Preliminary SP plan is the site plan and associated documents. If applicable, remove all notes and references that indicate that the site plan is illustrative, conceptual, etc.

8. The final site plan shall label all internal driveways as "Private Driveways." A note shall be added to the final site plan that the driveways shall be maintained by the Homeowner's Association.

9. The requirements of the Metro Fire Marshal's Office for emergency vehicle access and adequate water supply for fire protection must be met prior to the issuance of any building permits.

10. Comply with all conditions and requirements of Metro reviewing agencies.

11. With the submittal of the final site plan, provide architectural elevations complying with all architectural standards outlined on the Preliminary SP for review and approval.

Section 5. Be it further enacted, a corrected copy of the preliminary SP plan incorporating the conditions of approval by Metro Council shall be provided to the Planning Department prior to or with final site plan application.

Section 6. Be it further enacted, minor modifications to the preliminary SP plan may be approved by the Planning Commission or its designee based upon final architectural, engineering or site design and actual site conditions. All modifications shall be consistent with the principles and further the objectives of the approved plan. Modifications shall not be permitted, except through an ordinance approved by Metro Council that increase the permitted density or floor area, add uses not otherwise permitted, eliminate specific conditions or requirements contained in the plan as adopted through this enacting ordinance, or add vehicular access points not currently present or approved.

Section 7. Be it further enacted, if a development standard, not including permitted uses, is absent from the SP plan and/or Council approval, the property shall be subject to the standards, regulations and requirements of the MUI-A zoning district as of the date of the applicable request or application. Uses are limited as described in the Council ordinance.

Section 8. The Metropolitan Clerk is directed to publish a notice announcing such change in a newspaper of general circulation within five days following final passage.

Section 9. This Ordinance shall take effect upon publication of above said notice announcing such change in a newspaper of general circulation, the welfare of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.