

## Rapid City Planning Commission Rezoning Project Report

**April 21, 2016** 

Item #12

## **Applicant Request(s)**

Case # 16RZ0012; a request to rezone property from Neighborhood Commercial District to Office Commercial District

Companion Case(s) #: 16RZ001, a request to rezone property from Neighborhood Commercial District to Office Commercial District

## **Development Review Team Recommendation(s)**

The Development Review Team recommends that the request to rezone property from Neighborhood Commercial District to Office Commercial District be approved.

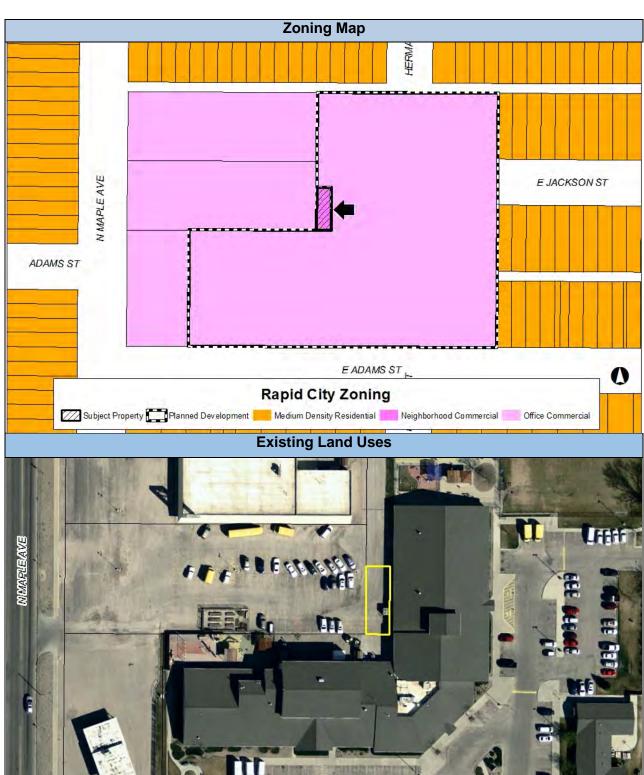
## **Project Summary Brief**

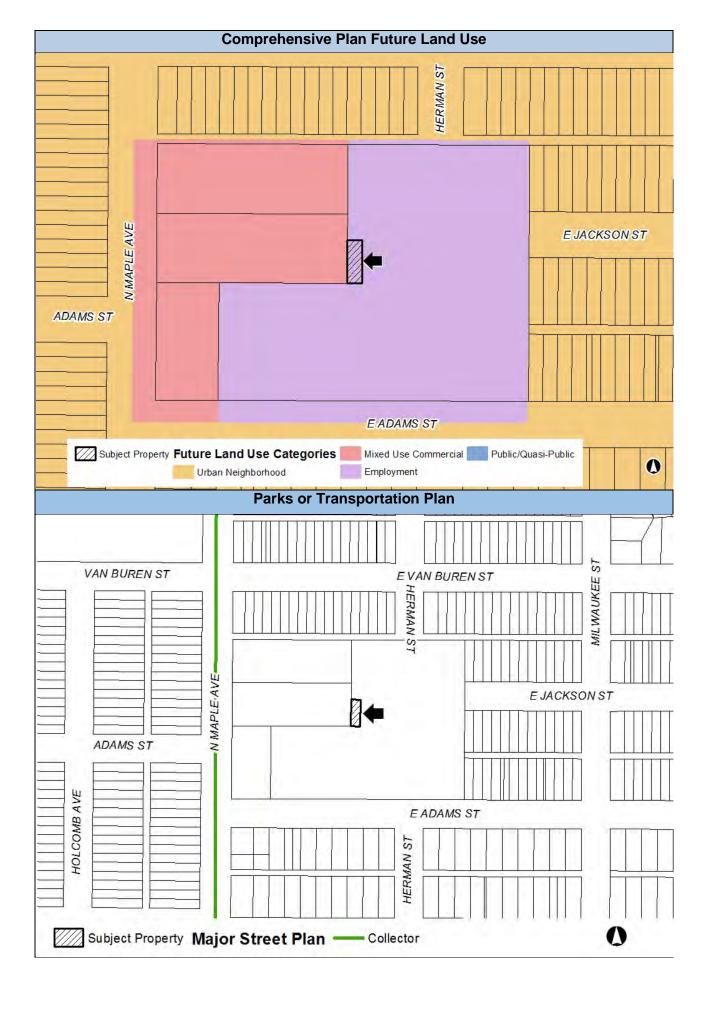
The applicant has submitted a request to rezone approximately 0.044 acres, approximately 1,935 square feet, of property from Neighborhood Commercial District to Office Commercial District. In February of 2016, City Council approved a request to rezone approximately 2.41 acres from Neighborhood Commercial District to Office Commercial District. The legal description utilized at that time included both platted lots as well as a metes and bounds description. The metes and bounds description was mistakenly omitted from the published legal description and this portion of property was never rezoned. As such, staff has submitted this rezone application to complete the previously submitted rezone request.

| Applicant Information                           | <b>Development Review Team Contacts</b> |
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| Applicant: City of Rapid City                   | Planner: Robert Laroco                  |
| Property Owner: Youth and Family Services, Inc. | Engineer: Dan Kools                     |
| Architect: N/A                                  | Fire District: Tim Behlings             |
| Engineer: N/A                                   | School District: Janet Kaiser           |
| Surveyor: N/A                                   | Water/Sewer: Dan Kools                  |
| Other:  | DOT: Stacy Bartlett                     |

| Subject Property Information |  |  |
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| Address/Location             | Northeast of the intersection of North Maple Avenue and East Adams |  |
|                              | Street   |  |
| Neighborhood                 | North Rapid  |  |
| Subdivision                  | Wises Addition   |  |
| Land Area                    | 0.044acres, approximately 1,935 square feet                        |  |
| Existing Buildings           | Vacant food bank and medical offices                               |  |
| Topography                   | Level  |  |
| Access                       | North Maple Avenue, East Adams Street                              |  |
| Water Provider               | Rapid City water   |  |
| Sewer Provider               | Rapid City sewer   |  |
| Electric/Gas Provider        | Black Hills Power/ Montana Dakota Utilities                        |  |
| Floodplain                   | None identified  |  |
| Other                        |  |  |

| Subject Property and Adjacent Property Designations |                 |                    |                        |
|---|-----------------|--------------------|------------------------|
|   | Existing Zoning | Comprehensive Plan | Existing Land Use(s)   |
| Subject   | NCD             | Employment         | Offices and classrooms |
| Property  |                 |                    |                        |
| Adjacent North                                      | OC/PD           | Employment         | Offices and classrooms |
| Adjacent South                                      | OC/PD           | Employment         | Offices and classrooms |
| Adjacent East                                       | OCD/ PD         | Employment         | Offices and classrooms |
| Adjacent West                                       | OC              | MUC                | Parking                |





| Relevant Case History |            |              |                          |                                |
|-----------------------|------------|--------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Case/File#            | Date       | Request      |                          | Action                         |
| 16RZ001               | 2/04/16    | A request to | rezone property from     | City Council approved 3/7/2016 |
|                       |            |              | d Commercial District    |                                |
|                       |            |              | nmercial District        |                                |
|                       |            |              | t Zoning District Regula | ations                         |
| Office Com            | mercial D  | istrict      | Required                 | Proposed                       |
| Lot Area              |            |              | No minimum required      | 0.044 acres, approximately     |
|                       |            |              |                          | 1,935 square feet              |
| Lot Frontage          |            |              | No minimum required      | N/A                            |
| Maximum B             |            | ights        | 3 stories, 35 feet       | N/A                            |
| Maximum D             |            |              | Maximum 35%              | N/A                            |
| Minimum Bu            | ilding Set | back:        |                          |                                |
| Front                 |            | 25 ft.       | N/A                      |                                |
| Real                  | ſ          |              | 25 ft                    | N/A                            |
| Side                  |            |              | 25 ft                    | N/A                            |
| Street                | et Side    |              | 25 ft                    | N/A                            |
| Minimum Landscape     |            |              |                          |                                |
| Requiremen            | ts:        |              |                          |                                |
| • # of I              | andscape   | points       | Per RCMC                 | N/A                            |
| • # of I              | andscape   | islands      | Per RCMC                 | N/A                            |
| Minimum Pa            | rking Req  | uirements:   |                          |                                |
| • # of                | oarking sp | aces         | Per RCMC                 | N/A                            |
| • # of /              | ADA spac   | es           | Per RCMC                 | N/A                            |
| Signage               |            |              | Per RCMC                 | N/A                            |
| Fencing               |            |              | Per RCMC                 | N/A                            |

| Planning Commission   | n Criteria and Findings for Approval or Denial  |  |  |
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| Pursuant to Section 17.54.040.D of the Rapid City Municipal Code the Planning   |   |  |  |
|   | Commission shall consider the following criteria for a request to Rezone:   |  |  |
| Criteria  | Findings  |  |  |
| 1. The proposed amendments shall be necessary because of substantially changed or changing conditions of the area and districts affected, or in the city generally. | The properties are comprised of approximately 1,935 square feet located adjacent to the existing Youth and Family Services (YFS) facilities. The existing properties are the former location of a food bank and medical office.   |  |  |
| 2. The proposed amendments shall be consistent with the intent and purposes of this title.  | The Office Commercial District is intended to provide places for those types of institutional and commercial activities that require separate buildings and building groups surrounded by landscaped yards and open areas. Land, space and aesthetic requirements of these uses make desirable either a central location or a suburban location near residential neighborhoods. The Youth and Family Services campus has been located on the adjacent |  |  |

|  | site for a number of years and has provided services for the surrounding community in a campus setting. The anticipated expansion will improve services to the neighborhood and create additional parking on the site. The proposed amendment is consistent with the intent of the Zoning Ordinance.  |
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| 3. The proposed amendment shall not adversely affect any other part of the city, nor shall any direct or indirect adverse effects result from the amendment.   | The requested rezone is a decrease in the intensity of uses permitted in the Neighborhood Commercial District. While the properties are not being utilized today, the existing Neighborhood Commercial District could permit uses such as convenience stores, tobacco shops, pharmacies, banks, laundromats, and liquor stores to be located on the property. Rezoning the properties to Office Commercial District will limit use of the property to office and lighter intensity uses. The decrease in intensity, combined with expected plans to develop the property through the Planned Development, will ensure that potential impacts of the development of this property are mitigated to the greatest extent possible. It does not appear that the proposed rezoning will adversely impact the surrounding neighborhood or the City. |
| 4. The proposed amendments shall be consistent with and not in conflict with the development plan of Rapid City including any of its elements, major road plan, land use plan, community facilities plan and others. | The City's adopted Major Street Plan shows that North Maple Avenue is identified as a collector street, capable of accommodating a mix of residential and light commercial uses. Youth and Family Services has been located adjacent to the subject property for a number of years, on property owned by the City of Rapid City. The requested rezone will facilitate the redevelopment of the property with additional YFS facilities. The requested rezone is consistent with the development plans for the city of Rapid City.   |

Planning Commission Comprehensive Plan Policy Guidance for Approval or Denial In considering an application for approval or denial the Planning Commission finds that the application either complies or does not comply with the following values, principles, goals, and policies within the Rapid City Comprehensive Plan:

| Comprehensive Plan Conformance – Core Values Chapters |   |  |
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|   | A Balanced Pattern of Growth  |  |
| BPG-1.1A  | <u>Compact Growth</u> : The requested rezone will allow for the expansion of office and classroom uses as a part of the redevelopment of Youth and Family Services facilities on existing, previously developed land. The redevelopment of the existing site ensures that future development outside the City's boundaries will not be necessary. |  |
| BPG-2.1A  | <u>Service Provider Coordination</u> : The requested rezone facilitates the collaboration of the City with Youth and Family Services to improve the existing community center and provide improved facilities and services available to the area.   |  |
|   | A Vibrant, Livable Community  |  |
| LC-3.1C   | <u>Compatible Infill and Redevelopment</u> : The requested rezone will allow future redevelopment of the site as a part of Youth and Family Services' plans to expand and improve their existing services. The expected infill and  |  |

|           | redevelopment will improve the existing character of the neighborhood and provide increased and improved services.   |
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| *******   | A Safe, Healthy, Inclusive, and Skilled Community  |
| SHIS-1.2B | Partnerships: The requested rezone is the first step in a larger effort between the City and Youth and Family Services to coordinate a partnership designed to improved community access to Youth and Family Services facilities and programs. Future redevelopment of the site will continue these efforts.                                   |
| So A      | Efficient Transportation and Infrastructure Systems  |
| N/A       | N/A  |
| 3         | Economic Stability and Growth  |
| N/A       | N/A  |
|           | Outstanding Recreational and Cultural Opportunities  |
| N/A       | N/A  |
|           | Responsive, Accessible, and Effective Governance   |
| GOV-2.1A  | Public Input Opportunities: The requested rezone requires notification of surrounding property owners located within 250 feet of the property boundary and posting of a sign on the property. These notification requirements allow public input into the request. As of this writing, there have been no inquiries into the requested rezone. |

| Comprehensive Plan Conformance – Growth and Reinvestment Chapter   |            |                      |
|--|------------|----------------------|
| Future Lan   | d Use Plan |                      |
| Designatio   | n(s):      | Mixed Use Commercial |
| Design Standards:  |            |                      |
| GDP-MU3  Community Facilities: The requested rezone will facilitate redevelopment of the property as a part of the Youth and Family Services campus. The incorporation of schools, plazas, parks, and other community facilities serving the needs of the neighborhood should be encouraged. |            |                      |

| Comprehensive Plan Conformance – Neighborhood Area Policies Chapter |  |  |
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| Neighborhood:   | North Rapid Neighborhood   |  |
| Neighborhood Goal/Policy:   |  |  |
| NR-NA1.1A   | Reinvestment Areas: The requested rezone will help to emphasize the        |  |
|   | priority of reinvestment and redevelopment in the area by facilitating the |  |
|   | redevelopment of the existing Youth and Family Services campus.            |  |

| from N | evelopment Review Team recommends that the request to rezone the property leighborhood Commercial District to Office Commercial District be approved for lowing reasons:                 |
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| •      | The requested rezone is a decrease in the intensity of uses that could be developed on the property, which will help to maintain the existing character of surrounding residential uses. |
| •      | The requested rezone will facilitate infill and redevelopment of the property with an expansion of the Youth and Family Services campus.   |
| •      | Youth and Family Services is an existing non-profit entity dedicated to supporting   |

children and families in the community. The expansion and redevelopment of their existing campus will benefit the community at large.

Staff recommends that the request to rezone property from Neighborhood Commercial District to Office Commercial District be approved.