CITY OF SUWANEE SPECIAL USE PERMIT ANALYSIS

CASE NUMBER: SUP-2008-008

REQUEST: AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE

ZONING: C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT)
LOCATION: 3580 LAWRENCEVILLE-SUWANEE ROAD

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2.73 ACRES

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: 3,137 SF AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE FACILITY

APPLICANT/OWNER: SUWANEE PLAZA, LLC

105 SATELLITE BLVD. SUWANEE, GA 30024

CONTACT: SIDNEY MOZAYYANI PHONE: 770-220-0000

RECOMMENDATION: APPROVAL WITH CONDITIONS

PROJECT DATA:

The applicant requests a Special Use Permit on an approximately 2.73 acre tract to allow for a 3,173 square foot automotive service facility. According to the applicant, this facility will be utilized by an existing body shop located on an adjacent parcel. The applicant also plans to construct an office/retail building at the rear of the site which is a permitted use in the C-2 zoning district and does not require Planning and Zoning Commission approval. The site is located at 3580 Lawrenceville-Suwanee Road near the intersection of Lawrenceville-Suwanee Road and Smithtown Road in the Suwanee Plaza Shopping Center. Two existing access points are proposed to be extended to the rear of the site: one access point is provided through the Suwanee Plaza Shopping Center and one is provided through the adjacent parcel where the existing body shop is located. Both drives are accessed directly from Lawrenceville-Suwanee Road. The subject property is a C-2 zoned tract.

The Special Use Permit process was created by the City Council in 2001 to better handle certain land uses. The SUP process allows the Council to review certain proposals in the context of their use and take into consideration the surrounding area and other relevant factors. A Special Use Permit does not change the underlying zoning of property, but grants the property an additional specified use. In this case the specified use would allow for a car wash facility.

DEVELOPMENT COMMENTS:

The following comments are provided to make the developer aware of certain pertinent issues. This is not intended to serve as an all-inclusive list of comments. If approved, the City will formally review the project during the normal development and/or building review process that could result in changes to the proposed plan.

The City regulates parking for commercial uses based on the type of use and the square footage of the building. The site will need to comply with the City Parking requirements.

The City requires landscape islands with trees throughout parking lots. The applicant should be prepared to meet these requirements.

The subject property was developed prior to the adoption of the current, more demanding stormwater requirements. The City of Suwanee Development Regulations now require stormwater systems to address stormwater quality, stormwater quantity and channel protection. The applicant should be prepared to meet all of the stormwater requirements.

The developer should be aware that the City has Architectural Standards. The project should be prepared to comply with these standards.

ANALYSIS:

The subject property is an approximate 2.73 acre site located at 3580 Lawrenceville-Suwanee Road in the Suwanee Plaza Shopping Center. The site includes an existing 15,547 square foot, one story, commercial building. The building is currently configured into 9,700 square feet of retail/office space and 5,847 square feet of storage space. The proposed automotive repair facility would be located to the rear of the existing building. The two adjacent parcels to the west of the subject property also belong to the property owner/applicant. There is currently no direct access to these parcels from the shopping center. Access is provided by two separate entrances along Lawrenceville-Suwanee Road. The adjacent parcel includes two one story buildings totaling 16,812 square feet. The proposed occupant of the new automotive service facility maintains a business within an existing building located on the adjacent lot. (The existing body shop located on the adjacent lot is within the M-1 zoning district and is a permitted use.) According to the applicant's letter of intent the new facility will be used for alignments and general mechanical inspections conducted as a result of body work completed in the primary body shop. This site would be appropriate for the proposed use.

The subject property is located along a highly commercialized section of Lawrenceville-Suwanee Road. To the north of the subject property, across Lawrenceville-Suwanee Road is an office condominium development and daycare facility, zoned C-2 and C-2A. To the east of the subject property is a C-2 zoned parcel which includes a multi-tenant retail/office center. To the south of the subject property are industrial uses zoned M-1 and accessed from Sharon Industrial Way. To the west of the subject property are commercial/retail buildings and industrial/warehouse facilities zoned C-2 and M-1. These sites belong to the applicant/owner.

The City's Future Land Use Plan recommends commercial use for this site. The proposed use is consistent with this designation. The site is in a highly commercialized area that is generally suitable for vehicle service establishments. The proposed special use is also located to the rear of a shopping center, which should minimize the negative visual impacts normally associated with automotive uses. In addition, this facility will service an existing adjacent body shop and is adjacent to industrial property.

The 2030 Comprehensive Plan recommends Mixed Use Center for the subject property, which is part of the Satellite North Character Area. The proposed special use is not entirely consistent with this designation, but the addition will unlikely harm the future long-term redevelopment of the area. The facility will be constructed behind existing commercial buildings that are likely to remain in the near term. The intention of the Satellite North Character Area is to serve as a transitional area between Town Center to the north and the emerging economic anchor of Suwanee Gateway to the south. The plan further emphasizes, that in the near term, considering the recent investment in commercial development, viable existing and new commercial uses should be encouraged and supported. The plan makes an exception for the district around Sharon Industrial Way, currently occupied by smaller metal warehouse buildings, stating that this area should redevelop as mixed use and residential. However, the proposed automotive repair facility is a minor addition and should not compromise the future redevelopment of Sharon Industrial Way. In addition, conditional approval will help minimize these impacts.

In conclusion, the requested Special Use Permit for an automotive service facility could be appropriate at this location. The City's policies generally attempt to guide automotive sales and service uses to the more commercially intensive areas of the City. The subject property is located along a commercialized section of Lawrenceville-Suwanee Road and is surrounded by intensive commercial and industrial uses. The automotive service facility will be used to support an existing commercial business and does not encourage a higher number of automotive service facilities in the area. Also, the proposed special use will be located to the rear of an existing building. Special attention should be given to ensure that the operation does not compromise the vision of the Satellite North Character Area. The Planning Department recommends **APPROVAL WITH CONDITIONS** of the request.

Planning Department's Recommended Conditions SUP-2008-008

Approval of a Special Use Permit for automotive services subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Special uses on the site shall be limited to automotive services including alignments and general vehicle inspections as a result of body work. No other vehicular services or other special uses are allowed under this special use permit.
- 2. All automotive services shall be conducted inside. The building shall be limited to no more than 3,200 square feet of space dedicated to automotive service.
- 3. Access shall be provided from the adjacent parcel as shown on exhibit A and an access easement agreement shall be filed prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy.

Standards Governing Exercise of Zoning Power

Pursuant to Section 2006 of the City of Suwanee Zoning Ordinance, the City finds the following standards are relevant in balancing the interest in promoting the public health, safety, morality, or general welfare against the unrestricted use of property and shall govern the exercise of the zoning power therewith.

A. Whether the zoning proposal will permit a use that is suitable in view of the use and development of adjacent and nearby property;

The subject area is heavily commercialized. The automotive repair facility would be suitable at this location.

B. Whether the zoning proposal will adversely affect the existing uses or usability of adjacent or nearby property;

With the recommended conditions, an automotive repair facility would not be expected to negatively impact existing uses or usability of adjacent and nearby uses.

C. Whether the property to be affected by the zoning proposal has a reasonable economic use as currently zoned;

The subject property has a reasonable economic use as currently zoned without a Special Use Permit.

D. Whether the zoning proposal will result in a use which will or could cause an excessive or burdensome use of existing streets, transportation facilities, utilities or schools;

Approval of the request likely would not result in excessive or burdensome use of existing streets, transportation facilities, utilities or schools.

E. Whether the zoning proposal is in conformity with the policy and intent of the Land Use Plan;

The Future Land Use Plan recommends commercial uses for the site. The proposal is consistent with the overall goal to locate more intensive commercial uses to non-residential areas of the City.

F. Whether there are other existing or changing conditions affecting the use and development of the property which give supporting grounds for either approval or disapproval of the zoning proposal;

The subject property has been recently graded for future development. The site is located within the Satellite North character area as indicated by the 2030 Comprehensive Plan. This area is intended to accommodate higher intensity uses and recommends the support of existing commercial uses.

SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION

APPLICANT INFORMATION*		OWNER INFORMATION*		
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CONTACT PERSON: Sidney M	ozayyani	PHONE:	cell 770-309-2032	2
E-Mail Address: Smozayyani	@ blishds by	incon - Com		
PROPERTY INFORMATION				
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PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: <u>OFFICE & RETAIL (Building "A")</u> CAR SERVICE (BLDG. TAX PARCEL NUMBER(S): 7211-108, 7211-101				
ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 3580 Lawrenceville Suwanee Rd., Suwanee, GA. 300				
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Letter of Intent

This is to request a special permit for Building "B" part of our new development in Suwanee Plaza Business Center, this unit will be used by one of our current tenant "Master Auto Body".

Master Auto Body has been engaged in auto body work in Suwanee Plaza for nearly a Year, part of his routine business he must take certain parts of automobiles a part in order To reach to some areas that needs body work. Part of this exercise he needs to take down Entire engine or break system or transmission and etc, after finishing body work those Parts must go back on the car, in order to do that he needs additional space with racks And equipment provided for these types of operations.

He needs to have a space to correct the front end alignment of the car which was

Damaged during the head on collusion, he also needs to check the entire car before

Releasing the car back to the owner and to make sure it is safe to drive leaving his shop.

Here again I am respectfully requesting your kind consideration on this application.

Sincerely,

Sidney A. Mozayyani, Partner/ Manager

Suwanee Plaza, LLC

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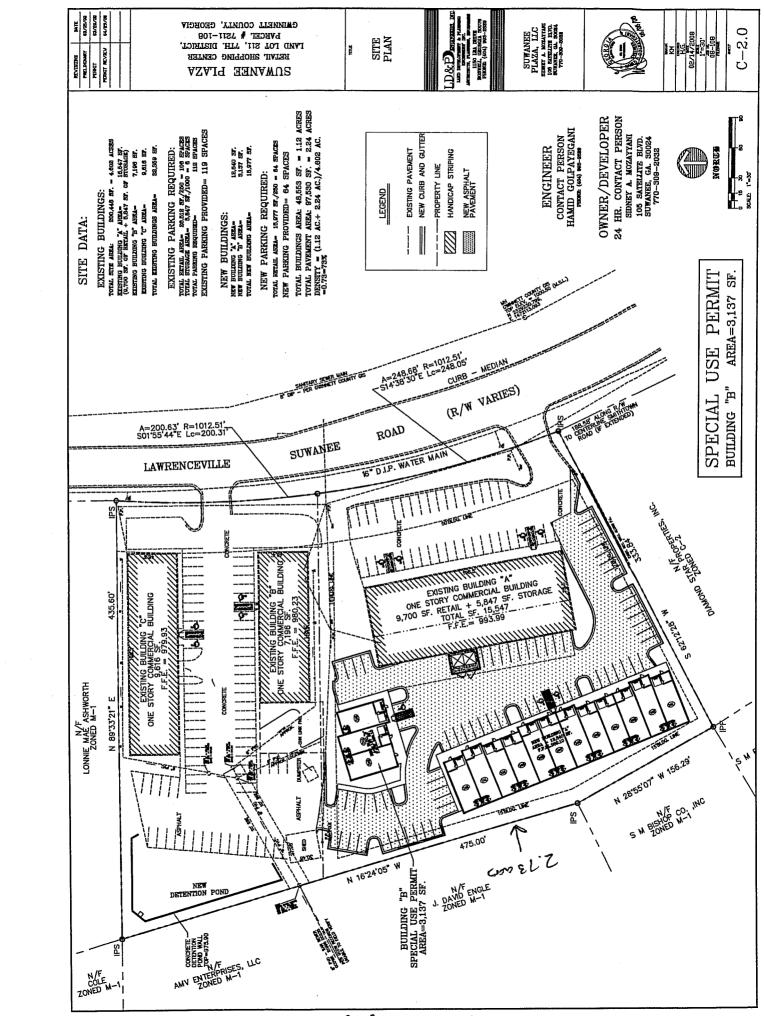
SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICANT'S RESPONSE

STANDARDS GOVERNING EXERCISE OF THE ZONING POWER

Pursuant to the 1998 Zoning Ordinance, the city council finds that the following standards are relevant in balancing the interest in promoting the public health, safety, morality, or general welfare against the right to the unrestricted use of property and shall govern the exercise of the zoning power.

Please respond to the following standards in the space provided or use an attachment as necessary:

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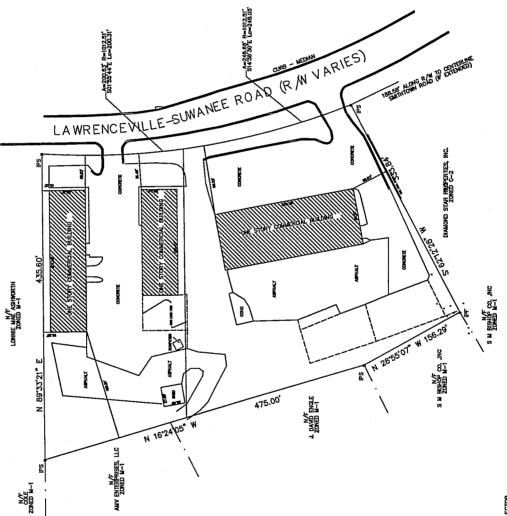
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