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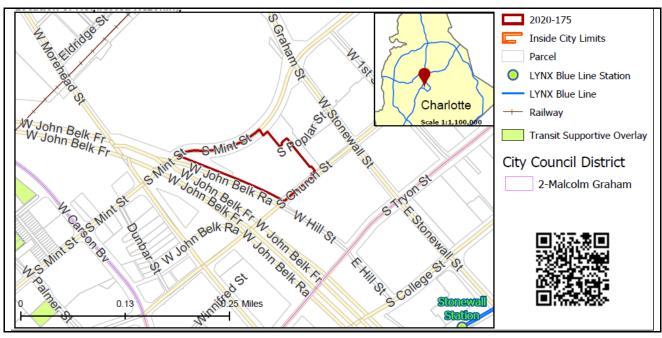
LOCATION

Current Zoning: UMUD (uptown mixed use district)

Proposed Zoning: UMUD-O (uptown mixed use district, optional)

Approximately 2.34 acres bounded by the northeast side of 5th Street, southeast of North Tryon Street, southwest of East 6th

Street, and northwest of North College Street.



SUMMARY OF PETITION

The petition proposes optional provisions to deviate from the sign ordinance for an office tower and parking deck under construction in Uptown.

PROPERTY OWNER
PETITIONER
AGENT/REPRESENTATIVE

720 South Church Development, LLC Lincoln Harris

Collin Brown and Brittany Lins

COMMUNITY MEETING

Meeting is required and has been held. Report available online. Number of people attending the Community Meeting: 0

STAFF	
RECOMMENDATION	

Staff does not support the request in its current form.

Plan Consistency

The petition is **consistent** with the *Charlotte Center City 2020 Vision Plan (2011)*. While this plan does not make a specific land use recommendation for the site, it encourages future development contribute to the overall viability and livability of Center City.

Rationale for Recommendation

- The petition proposes an optional request to allow exterior signage that would cover windows which are considered architectural features/fenestration and is not currently permitted in the ordinance.
- Staff would support the signage being located in a way that meets the intent of the ordinance.

PLANNING STAFF REVIEW

Proposed Request Details

The site plan accompanying this petition contains the following provisions:

- Proposes the following optional provision:
 - Allow the following wall sign building areas on the building parapet, locations of which as generally depicted on the Rezoning Plan: a total of four (4) signs with a sign area of 350 square feet each, totaling a maximum 1,400 square feet between the four (4) parapet signs. All other signage shall conform to UMUD zoning district standards and not be included in this square footage calculation.
 - Allow parapet signs to be mounted to building curtain walls/windows, where generally depicted on the Rezoning Plan.
- Building elevations depicting the proposed signage locations.

Existing Zoning and Land Use



• The subject site is under construction with an office tower and parking deck in Uptown and surrounded by residential and non-residential uses primarily UMUD and UMUD-O along with MUDD, I-2, and I-2(CD). The site abuts the John Belk Freeway.

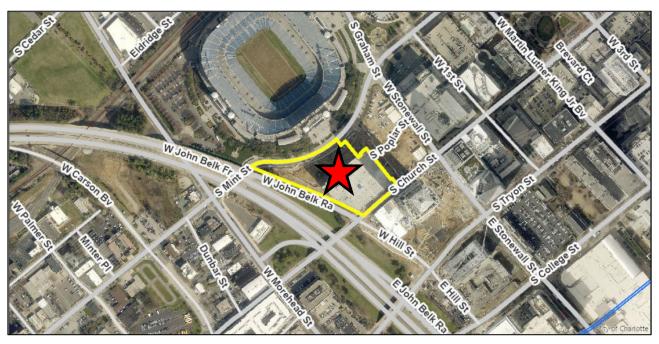


The subject site is currently under development with an office tower and parking deck located in Uptown.

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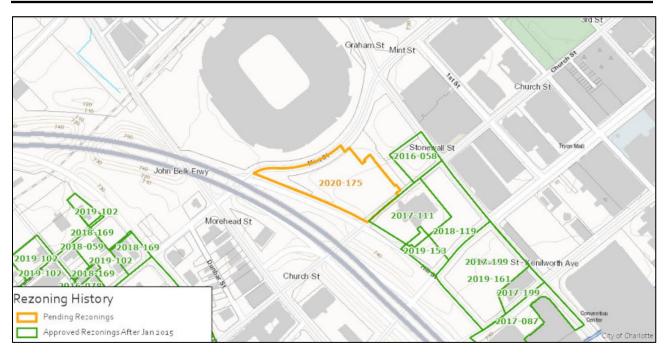


Across S. Mint Street is Bank of America Stadium



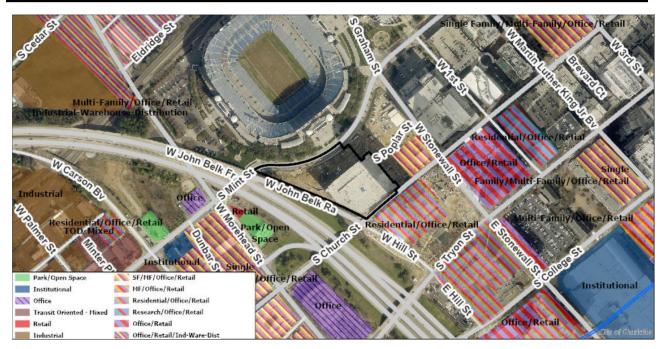
The rezoning site (denoted in blue) is located in Uptown and abuts the John Belk Freeway.

• Rezoning History in Area



Petition Number	Summary of Petition	Status
2019-161	UMUD-O SPA for 2.4 acres to allow additional signage.	Approved
2019-153	UMUD-O SPA for 0.64 acres for valet parking for a building under construction.	Approved
2019-102	Rezone 1,771 acres to one of 4 TOD districts.	Approved
2018-169	Text amendment to modify TOD districts.	Approved
2018-119	Rezone 2.18 acres to UMUD-O to allow the development of a non-residential building with optional request to allow a 10-foot cantilevered encroachment.	Approved
2017-199	Rezoned 3.50 acres to UMUD-O and UMUD-O SPA to allow all uses in UMUD and optional requests for site modifications.	Approved
2017-111	Rezoned 2.13 acres to UMUD-O to all additional signage for a high-rise building under construction.	Approved
2017-087	UMUD-O SPA for 1.96 acres to allow for additional signage for a high-rise building under construction.	Approved
2016-058	Rezoned 0.81 acres to UMUD to allow the redevelopment of a parcel.	Approved

• Public Plans and Policies



The Charlotte Center City 2020 Vision Plan (2011) does not make a specific land use recommendation for this site. However, the plan encourages future development that will contribute to the overall viability and livability of Center City. The plan recognizes Center City as the central economic engine and diversified employment hub of the region and encourages enhancement of the pedestrian environment through use of visual improvements as one means to identify, support, and retain retail and business activities.

TRANSPORTATION SUMMARY

• The site is located on a major thoroughfare road [Mint Street]. The review of this rezoning petition is focused on the installation of a sign; site characteristics typically reviewed by CDOT are not proposed to change. Due to the nature of this petition, there are no comments provided by CDOT at this time as all site improvements were installed during initial development of this project in 2016 (LDUUMUDD-2016-00080). CDOT staff will again review the site plan during the permitting process and work on any transportation issues as they arise.

• ACTIVE PROJECTS NEAR THE SITE:

None

TRANSPORTATION CONSIDERATIONS

- No outstanding issues.
- Vehicle Trip Generation:

Current Zoning:

Existing Use: Vacant

Entitlement: 3,095 trips (based upon 301,466 square feet of office) Proposed Zoning: 3,095 trips (based upon 301,466 square feet of office)

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS (see full department reports online)

- Charlotte Area Transit System: No outstanding issues.
- Charlotte Department of Housing and Neighborhood Services: No outstanding issues.
- Charlotte Fire Department: No outstanding issues.
- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools: No comments submitted.
- Charlotte Water: No comments submitted.
- Engineering and Property Management:
 - Arborist: No outstanding issues.
 - Erosion Control: No outstanding issues.
 - Land Development: No outstanding issues.
 - **Storm Water Services:** No outstanding issues.
 - Urban Forestry: No outstanding issues.
- Mecklenburg County Land Use and Environmental Services Agency: No outstanding issues.

• Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreation Department: No outstanding issues.

OUTSTANDING ISSUES

Site and Building Design

- 1. Remove the optional requests on the site plan and replace with the following optional request: To allow a total of four (4) skyline signs to be mounted on building curtain walls, where generally depicted on the Rezoning Plan. All other signs shall conform to signage standards in the Zoning Ordinance and are not be included in this square footage calculation.
- 2. Staff does not support the proposed signs covering windows.

See Attachments (applications, department memos, maps etc.) Online at www.rezoning.org

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