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METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION

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DATE: NOVEMBER 21, 2017
TO: THE MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF SAVANNAH
FROM: METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION
SUBJECT: MPC RECOMMENDATION

PETITION REFERENCED:

Historic Tours of Savannah, Inc. (Dana Ste Claire; Ed Swift), Petitioner

Harold Yellin, attorney, Agent

Old Town Trolley Tours Savannah/ Historic Tours of Savannah, Inc., Owner

234 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard

PIN: 2-0031-10-001, 005, & 006

Lot Size: 0.5 acres

Aldermanic District: 2 – Bill Durrence

County Commission District: 3 – Bobby Lockett

File No. 17-006172-ZA

MPC ACTION:

Denial of the petitioner's request to rezone the subject site from a B-C zoning classification to a BC-1 zoning classification, based on findings identified in the staff report. Staff further recommends **Approval** of Alternative 3 to create a text amendment that would allow a Craft Distillery (Use 93) as a permitted use in the B-C and other specific commercial zoning districts.

MPC STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

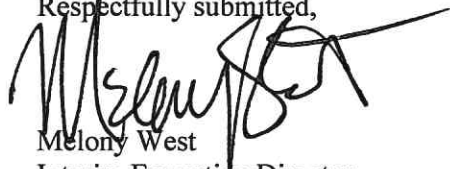
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MEMBERS PRESENT: 8 + Chairman

James Overton, Chairman
Shedrick Coleman
Travis Coles
Ellis Cook
Karen Jarrett
Lacy Manigault
Tanya Milton
Linder Suthers
Tom Woiwode

PLANNING COMMISSION VOTE: Approve Staff Recommendation (9-0)

APPROVAL Votes: 9	DENIAL Votes: 0	ABSENT
Overton Cook Coleman Coles Jarrett Manigault Milton Suthers Woiwode		Ervin Hernandez Mackey Smith Welch

Respectfully submitted,

Melony West
Interim Executive Director

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Enclosure

cc Dyanne C. Reese, Clerk of Council
Brooks Stillwell, City Attorney
Lester B. Johnson, Assistant City Attorney
Jennifer Herman, Assistant City Attorney
Beth Barnes, Department of Inspections

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Chatham County - Savannah Metropolitan Planning Commission

November 21, 2017 Regular MPC Meeting

Title

D1 - Zoning Map Amendment | 234 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. | Existing B-C Zoning District | Proposed B-C-1 Zoning District | File Number 17-006172-ZA

Description

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MPC Project Planner - Gary Plumbley

The petitioner is requesting approval of a zoning map amendment to rezone 234 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard from a B-C (Community Business) classification to a BC-1 (Central Business) classification. The petitioner has stated the purpose of the requested rezoning is to develop the site as a mixed use commercial development consisting of a craft distillery (use 93), a restaurant which serves alcoholic beverages (use 48), a museum (use 19), specialty shops (use 36a), and a package shop (use 48c).

Recommendation

MPC staff recommends **Denial** of the petitioner's request to rezone the subject site from a B-C zoning classification to a BC-1 zoning classification, based on findings identified in the staff report. Staff further recommends **Approval** of a text amendment that would allow a Craft Distillery (Use 93) as a permitted use in the B-C and other specific commercial zoning districts.

Contact

Financial Impact

Review Comments

Attachments

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