



Date March 10, 2014

RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO THE DES MOINES 2020 COMMUNITY CHARACTER LAND USE PLAN FOR PROPERTY IN THE VICINITY OF 1159 24TH STREET

WHEREAS, on August 7, 2000, by Roll Call No. 00-3381 the City Council adopted the Des Moines 2020 Community Character Land Use Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Plan and Zoning Commission has advised in the attached letter that at a public hearing held February 6, 2014, the members voted 9-0 to recommend APPROVAL of a request from Tim Thelen (owner) to amend the Des Moines 2020 Community Character Land Use Plan future land use designation from Low/Medium Density Residential to Commercial: Pedestrian-Oriented, Commercial Corridor for property located in the vicinity of 1159 24th Street as more specifically shown on the accompanying map.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the proposed amendment to the Des Moines 2020 Community Character Land Use Plan described above, is hereby approved.

MOVED by _____ to adopt and approve the proposed amendment.

FORM APPROVED:

Roger K. Brown
Assistant City Attorney

(21-2013-4.27)

Table with 5 columns: COUNCIL ACTION, YEAS, NAYS, PASS, ABSENT. Rows include COWNIE, COLEMAN, GRAY, HENSLEY, MAHAFFEY, MOORE, GATTO, TOTAL, MOTION CARRIED, APPROVED, Mayor.

CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

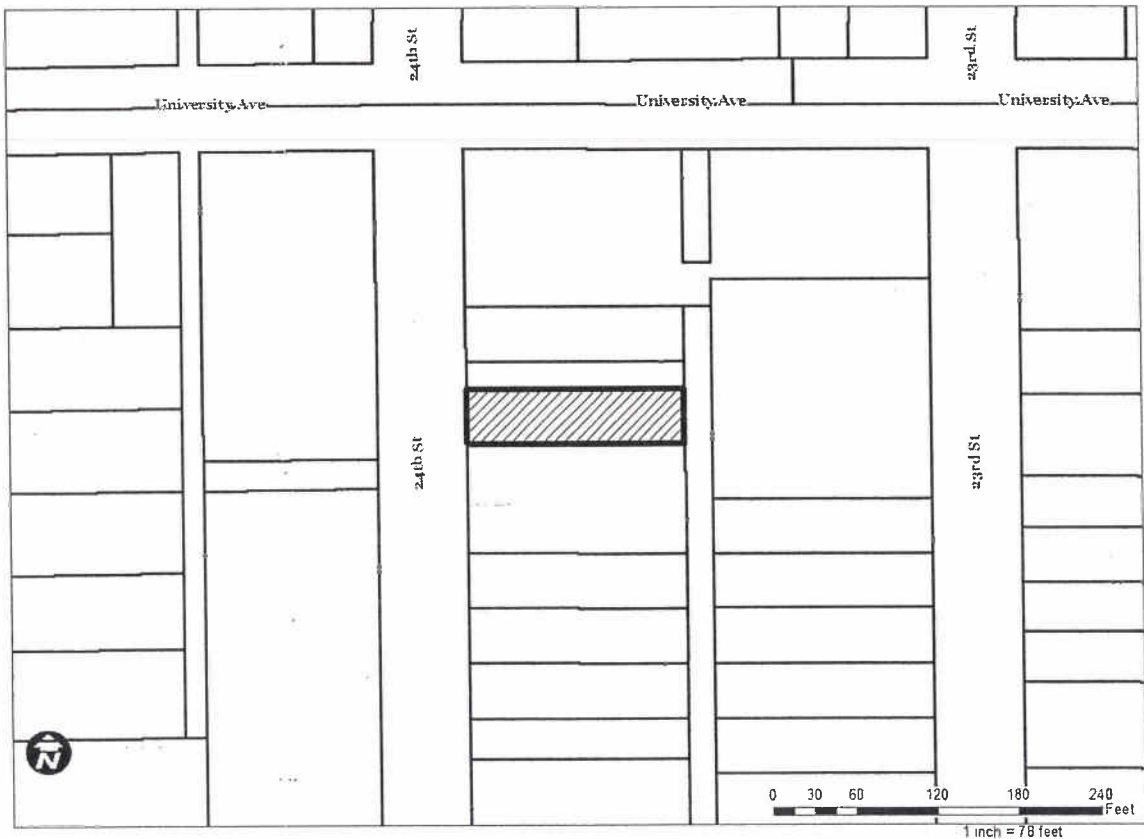
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

City Clerk

Tim Thelen (owner) for property located at 1159 24th Street.				File #	
				21-2014-4.27	
Description of Action	Amend the Des Moines' 2020 Community Character Plan future land use designation from Low/Medium Density Residential to Commercial: Pedestrian-Oriented, Commercial Corridor.				
2020 Community Character Plan	Low/Medium Density Residential. (current) Commercial: Pedestrian-Oriented, Commercial Corridor. (Proposed)				
Horizon 2035 Transportation Plan	No Planned Improvements.				
Current Zoning District	"C-1" Neighborhood Retail Commercial District.				
Proposed Zoning District	"NPC" Neighborhood Pedestrian Commercial District.				
Consent Card Responses	In Favor	Not In Favor	Undetermined	% Opposition	
Inside Area					
Outside Area					
Plan and Zoning Commission Action	Approval		Required 6/7 Vote of the City Council	Yes	
	Denial			No	

Tim Thelen, 1159 24th Street

21-2013-4.27





February 14, 2014

Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Des Moines, Iowa

Members:

Communication from the City Plan and Zoning Commission advising that at their meeting held February 6, 2014, the following action was taken regarding a request from Tim Thelen (owner) to rezone property located at 1159 24th Street.

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

After public hearing, the members voted 9-0 as follows:

Commission Action:	Yes	Nays	Pass	Absent
Dory Briles				X
JoAnne Corigliano	X			
Jacqueline Easley				X
Tim Fitzgerald	X			
Dann Flaherty				X
Jann Freed	X			
John "Jack" Hilmes	X			
Ted Irvine	X			
Greg Jones	X			
William Page	X			
Christine Pardee	X			
CJ Stephens				X
Vicki Stogdill	X			
Greg Wattier				X

APPROVAL of staff recommendation to find the proposed rezoning not in conformance with the existing Des Moines' 2020 Community Character Plan designations of Low-Density Residential; **APPROVAL** of an amendment to the Des Moines' 2020 Community Character Plan future land use designation from Low/Medium Density Residential to Commercial: Pedestrian-Oriented, Commercial Corridor; and **APPROVAL** of the request to rezone from "C-1" Neighborhood Retail Commercial District to limited "NPC" Neighborhood Pedestrian Commercial District, to allow use of the premises as a carpenter shop for guitar making subject to the owner agreeing to prohibit the following uses of the property:

(21-2013-4.27 & ZON2013-00203)

1. Taverns and nightclubs;
2. Billiard parlors/game rooms;

3. Communication towers/antennas (excluding an extension of 20 feet or less from an existing structure);
4. Delayed deposit services;
5. Pawn brokers;
6. Gas stations/convenience stores;
7. Off premises advertising signs; and,
8. Liquor stores.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO THE P&Z COMMISSION

Part A) Staff recommends that the proposed rezoning be found not in conformance with the existing Des Moines' 2020 Community Character Plan designations of Low-Density Residential.

Part B) Staff recommends approval of an amendment to the Des Moines' 2020 Community Character Plan future land use designation from Low/Medium Density Residential to Commercial: Pedestrian-Oriented, Commercial Corridor.

Part C) Staff recommends approval of the requested rezoning subject to the owner agreeing to prohibit the following uses of the property.

1. Taverns and nightclubs;
2. Billiard parlors/game rooms;
3. Communication towers/antennas (excluding an extension of 20 feet or less from an existing structure);
4. Delayed deposit services;
5. Pawn brokers;
6. Gas stations/convenience stores;
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Written Responses

9 In Favor

1 In Opposition

STAFF REPORT TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. **Purpose of Request:** The subject property is currently occupied by the Sonic Factory music recording studio, the Lutherie Shop instrument repair, and empty retail space formerly a video rental/sales store. These uses are considered permitted uses under the existing zoning. The applicant is seeking to expand guitar making as a more predominant element of the music instrument repair business. Guitar making is considered to be carpenter and cabinetmaking shops which are not considered a "C-1" District permitted use.

The proposed rezoning would allow the property to continue to be used for the existing commercial uses while allowing the building to be reconfigured to allocate more space for the guitar making business as a primary use. If the property is rezoned to "NPC"

District, any future site modifications or redevelopment would require approval of a Site Plan and building elevations by the City's Plan and Zoning Commission in accordance with the "NPC" Design Guidelines.

2. **Size of Site:** 40 feet by 160 feet (6,400 square feet).
3. **Existing Zoning (site):** "C-1" Neighborhood Retail Commercial District.
4. **Existing Land Use (site):** The site contains a 40-foot by 160-foot (6,400 square feet) building that has been occupied as The Lutherie Shop, Sonic Factory music studios, and Best Place Ever video store.
5. **Adjacent Land Use and Zoning:**
 - North* – "C-1"; Uses are professional offices and fitness/dance studio.
 - South* – "C-1"; Use is offices for Drake University Army ROTC.
 - East* – "NPC"; Uses are multiple-family row house residential units.
 - West* – "PUD"; Use is off-street parking for both Holiday Inn Express hotel and Drake Legal Clinic.
6. **General Neighborhood/Area Land Uses:** The subject property is located along the east side of 24th Street just south of University Avenue. The site is in an area that includes a mix of residential and commercial uses.
7. **Applicable Recognized Neighborhood(s):** The subject property is located in the Drake Neighborhood. This neighborhood association was notified of the public hearing by mailing of the Preliminary Agenda on December 30, 2013 and a Final Agenda on January 6, 2014. Additionally, separate notifications of the hearing for this specific item were mailed on December 27, 2013 (20 days prior to public hearing) and January 6, 2014 (10 days prior to the public hearing) to the Drake Neighborhood Association and to the primary titleholder on file with the Polk County Assessor for each property within 250 feet of the site.

All agendas and notices are mailed to the primary contact(s) designated by the recognized neighborhood association to the City of Des Moines Neighborhood Development Division. The Drake Neighborhood Association notices were mailed to Deric Gourd, 2422 Drake Park Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50311.

The applicant held their neighborhood meeting on January 6, 2014. The applicant will report on their neighborhood meeting at the hearing.
8. **Relevant Zoning History:** None.
9. **2020 Community Character Land Use Plan Designation:** The subject property is located within an area designated on the Des Moines' 2020 Community Character Plan future land use map as Low/Medium Density Residential. The applicant has requested an amendment to the Commercial: Pedestrian-Oriented Commercial Corridor

designation to allow for the proposed rezoning.

- 10. Applicable Regulations:** The Commission reviews all proposals to amend zoning regulations or zoning district boundaries within the City of Des Moines. Such amendments must be in conformance with the comprehensive plan for the City and designed to meet the criteria in §414.3 of the Iowa Code. The Commission may recommend that certain conditions be applied to the subject property if the property owner agrees in writing, prior to the City Council Hearing. The recommendation of the Commission will be forwarded to the City Council.

II. ADDITIONAL APPLICABLE INFORMATION

- 1. 2020 Community Character Land Use Plan:** The proposed “NPC” District requires the Des Moines’ 2020 Community Character Plan to be amended to revise the future land use designation for the property from Low/Medium Density Residential to Commercial, Pedestrian-Oriented Commercial Corridor.

In 2011, the City adopted the Drake Neighborhood Action Plan to guide future development and redevelopment within the neighborhood. That Plan proposes preserving the low/medium density character of the residential areas that are not located along the major corridors, such as University Avenue and Forest Avenue. The subject property is within a small node of properties which have been developed for commercial use, are zoned commercially, and adjoin the properties fronting the University Avenue commercial corridor where it transitions to a residential neighborhood.

Because of the physical form and character of the zero setback commercial buildings, staff believes that an “NPC” District is more appropriate for potential future redevelopment in this location than the alternative “C-2” District, which is more suited for highway commercial corridor development. Due to the transition to a neighborhood, staff further believes that certain uses permitted in “NPC” Districts would not be appropriate for the subject property to include: taverns and nightclubs, billiard parlors/game rooms, communication towers/antennas (excluding an extension of 20 feet or less from an existing structure, delayed deposit services, pawn brokers; gas stations/convenience stores, off premises advertising signs and liquor stores.

- 2. Parking & Access:** Any intensification of use of the property must comply with current off-street parking requirements. The parking standards for the “NPC” District do allow for a 40% reduction to the required off-street parking and allow for on-street parking spaces to be counted towards meeting the parking requirement if they adjoin the subject property. At the current time the building covers the entire property and no parking is provided. The applicant currently leases parking and has easement to access the building from the parking through property to the north. In this instance the proposal does not add area devoted to any use which would increase the parking requirement. If this were to occur in the future, a Site Plan review by the Commission would be necessary to determine the parking requirement.

3. **Permit & Development Center Comments:** Any renovation of the building must be in compliance with applicable Building and Fire Codes, with issuance of any necessary permits by the Permit and Development Center.

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION

There was no discussion.

CHAIRPERSON OPENED THE PUBLIC HEARING

There was no one to speak in favor or in opposition of the applicant's request.

COMMISSION ACTION:

Ted Irvine moved **APPROVAL** of staff recommendation to find the proposed rezoning not in conformance with the existing Des Moines' 2020 Community Character Plan designations of Low-Density Residential; **APPROVAL** of an amendment to the Des Moines' 2020 Community Character Plan future land use designation from Low/Medium Density Residential to Commercial: Pedestrian-Oriented, Commercial Corridor; and **APPROVAL** of the request to rezone from "C-1" Neighborhood Retail Commercial District to limited "NPC" Neighborhood Pedestrian Commercial District, to allow use of the premises as a carpenter shop for guitar making subject to the owner agreeing to prohibit the following uses of the property:

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Motion passed 9-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael Ludwig, AICP
Planning Administrator

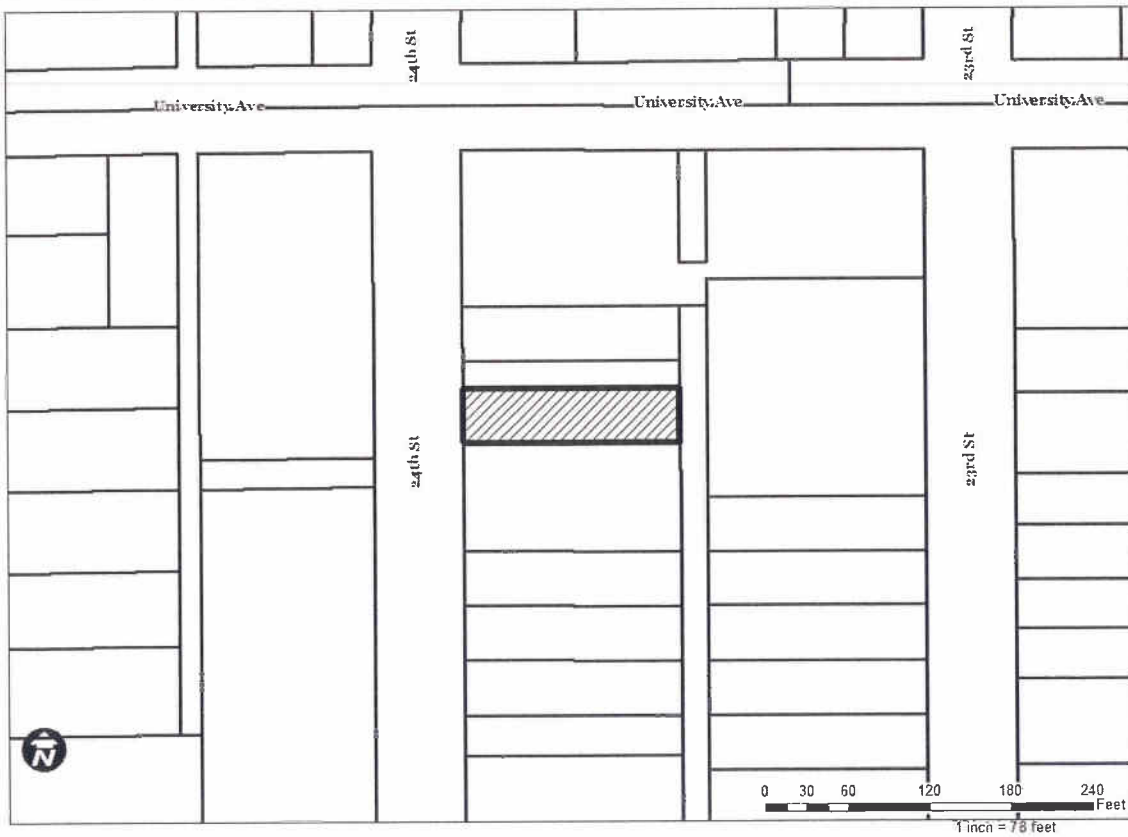
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Attachment

Tim Thelen (owner) for property located at 1159 24th Street.		File #		
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Tim Thelen, 1159 24th Street

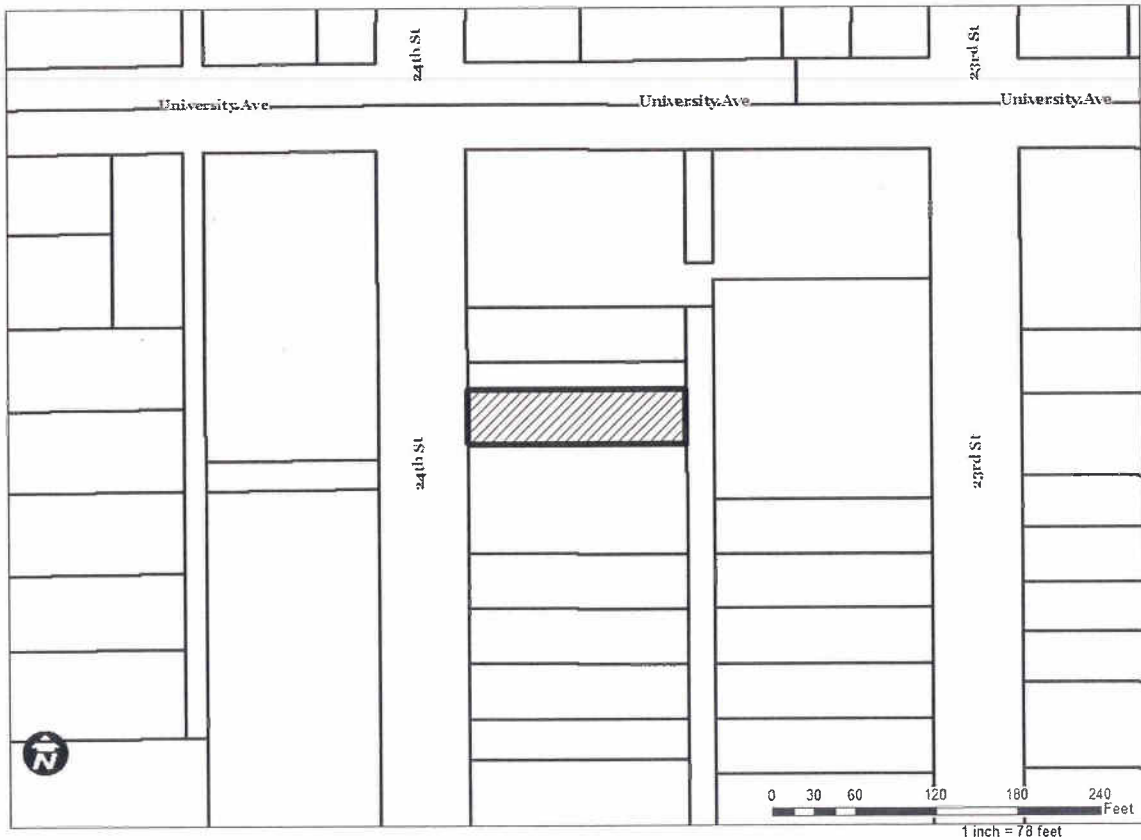
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	Denial			No	X

Tim Thelen, 1159 24th Street

21-2013-4.27



ZON2013-00203

Item _____

Date 1-9-2014

I (am) (am not) in favor of the request.

RECEIVED

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

JAN 13 2014

DEPARTMENT

Print Name

Drake University
By: Nancy Crittenden

Signature

Nancy Crittenden

Address

2507 University Ave.

Associate Treasurer

DM 1a

Reason for opposing or approving this request may be listed below:

ZON2013-00203

Item _____

Date January 8, 2014

I (am) (am not) in favor of the request.

(Circle One)

DEPARTMENT

JAN 13 2014

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Print Name

Drake Park Black Club Homeowners

Signature

% Addendum letter Mark L Longford

Address

M. J Longford Matt + Hannah Longford

Reason for opposing or approving this request may be listed below:

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Due to drug traffic never approve more
till these criminals stop illegal dumping
and 1135-23rd dealers are stopped
we need quick response to drug(s); illegal dumping
@ 1147-24th + 1154-23rd dead tree on alley @ 23130 Park
Ave + boarded up houses @ 1161-72nd + 1164-24th
Torn down. Drake Park Black Club homeowners

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Item _____ Date 1-8-14

I (am) (am not) in favor of the request.

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

CRAZY HORSE GUITARS INC

JAN 13 2014

Print Name John O'Connell

Signature *[Signature]*

DEPARTMENT

Address 2331 UNIVERSITY AVE.

Reason for opposing or approving this request may be listed below:

ZON2013-00203

Item _____ Date 1/7/14

I (am) (am not) in favor of the request.

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

JAN 13 2014

Print Name *Christian [Signature]*

Signature *[Signature]*

DEPARTMENT

Address P.O. Box 187, Ankeny, IA 50021

Reason for opposing or approving this request may be listed below:

Item ZON2013-00203

Date 1-7-14

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I (am) (am not) in favor of the request.

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
JAN 13 2014
DEPARTMENT

Print Name Christian Murphy

Signature [Signature]

Address P.O. Box 187, Ankeny, IA 50021

Reason for opposing or approving this request may be listed below:

Item ZON2013-00203

Date Jan 8, 2014

I (am) (am not) in favor of the request.

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
JAN 13 2014
DEPARTMENT

Print Name Mark Wentz

Signature [Signature]

Address 1151- 25th ST.

Reason for opposing or approving this request may be listed below:

Appears to be an asset to
Community

ZON2013-00203

Item

Date

1/4/14

I (am) (am not) in favor of the request.

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(Circle One)

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Print Name

DRAKE VILLAGE LLC

Signature

Cindy Hughes, Controller

Address

1165-25th DSM

JAN 16 2014

DEPARTMENT

Reason for opposing or approving this request may be listed below:

ZON2013-00203

Item

Date

1-13-14

I (am) (am not) in favor of the request.

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(Circle One)

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Print Name

J. MARK SCHMIDT

Signature

[Handwritten Signature]

Address

1131-24th ST. (TRUSTEE FOR OWNER TRUST)

JAN 17 2014

DEPARTMENT

Reason for opposing or approving this request may be listed below:

ZON2013-00203

Item _____

Date 1/9/2014

I (am) (am not) in favor of the request.

(Circle One) RECEIVED

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Print Name Scott Rohden

Signature [Signature]

JAN 16 2014

Address 1159 24th St DSM 50311

DEPARTMENT

Reason for opposing or approving this request may be listed below:

ZON2013-00203

Item _____

Date Jan 10, 2013

I (am) (am not) in favor of the request.

(Circle One) RECEIVED

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Print Name DAVID STROM

Signature David Strom

JAN 16 2014

Address 2801 Center St DSM

DEPARTMENT

Reason for opposing or approving this request may be listed below: 50312

ZON2013-00203
DAVID C STROM
2801 CENTER ST
DES MOINES, IA 50312

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Plan and Zoning Commission
City of Des Moines
400 Robert Ray Drive
Des Moines, IA 50309

Dear Board,

The Drake Neighborhood Association met with Tim Thelen, the owner of 1159 24th Street on a potential rezoning request. This commercial building had been operating as The Lutherie Shop for several years. The property is zoned commercial and has been used as a commercial building for many years. The owner asked that the neighborhood association support a rezoning to NPC to facilitate a building revitalization. Though our Neighborhood Plan calls for increased NPC use, it is on a case-by-case basis. In this case, we approve of the zoning change to NPC, but would like to express a few concerns. The NPC zoning has some allowed uses above the current C-1 the building is zoned today, and some of those allowed uses along a residential street concern us. We asked if Mr. Thelen would mind if we requested that the NPC be restricted to disallow some uses we have previously asked to be disallowed in residential corridors. He indicated that would not be a problem for his plans. Specifically, we support the NPC zoning as long as the following items were excluded:

1. Taverns and nightclubs,
2. Billiard parlor/game room,
3. Communication tower/antenna (unless as an extension of 20 feet or less from the structure),
4. Delayed deposit services,
5. Pawn brokers,
6. Gas stations/convenience stores
7. Off-premises advertising signs
8. Any business where gross revenues of tobacco and alcohol products exceed 40% of sales.

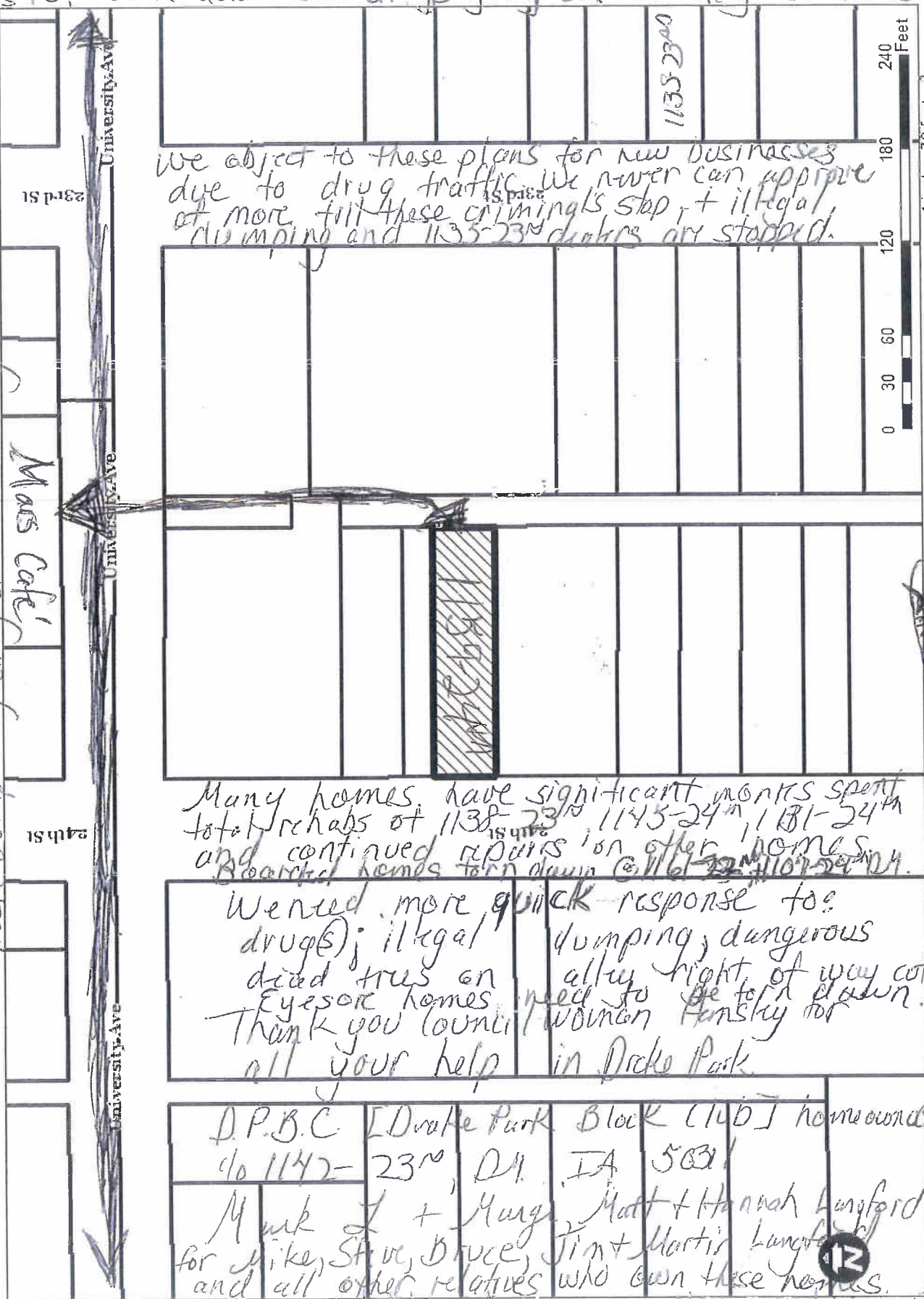
We have requested these restrictions because the property is currently C-1, and along 24th Street – an area designated for more residential use in the Neighborhood Plan. The Drake Neighborhood Association looks forward to a site planning process that will add another quality business to the mix of commercial and residential buildings that has been part of the Drake Neighborhood for over a century.

Thank you.

Deric Gourd
President
Drake Neighborhood Association

Dear City Council Chris Hensley councilwoman + Erik Lundt Plan + Zone Board,
 The Drake Park Block Club is a group of homeowners between 19th-24th, 1235 to University (founded in 1999) and was recognized by you, Drake Neighborhood Woodlark willkie Neighborhood Priority Board. The following problem has not been addressed: drugs going out of alley businesses near:

We are reporting many times 1147-24th we've reported many times ZON2013-00203 + Woodlark willkie Neighborhood Priority Board. The following problem has not been addressed: drugs going out of alley businesses near:



We object to these plans for new businesses due to drug traffic. We never can approve of more till these crimes stop, + illegal dumping and 1135-23rd drunks are stopped.

Many homes have significant months spent total rehabs of 1138-23rd, 1145-24th, 1181-24th and continued repairs on other homes. Boarded homes torn down @ 1161-24th, 1107-24th.

We need more quick response to: drugs; illegal dumping; dangerous dead trees on alley right of way cut. Eyesore homes need to be torn down. Thank you Councilwoman Hensley for all your help in Drake Park.

D.P.B.C. [Drake Park Block Club] homeowners do 1142-23rd, Dr. IA 5031
 Mark & Marge, Matt + Hannah Langford for Mike, Steve, Bruce, Jim + Martin Langford and all other relatives who own these homes.

- Mans Cafe #1
- Owners
 - family of ours and relatives of ours
 - the following
 - 1110-23rd
 - 1118-23rd
 - 1120-23rd
 - 1122-23rd
 - 1128-23rd
 - 1132-23rd
 - 1134-23rd
 - 1138-23rd
 - 1142-23rd
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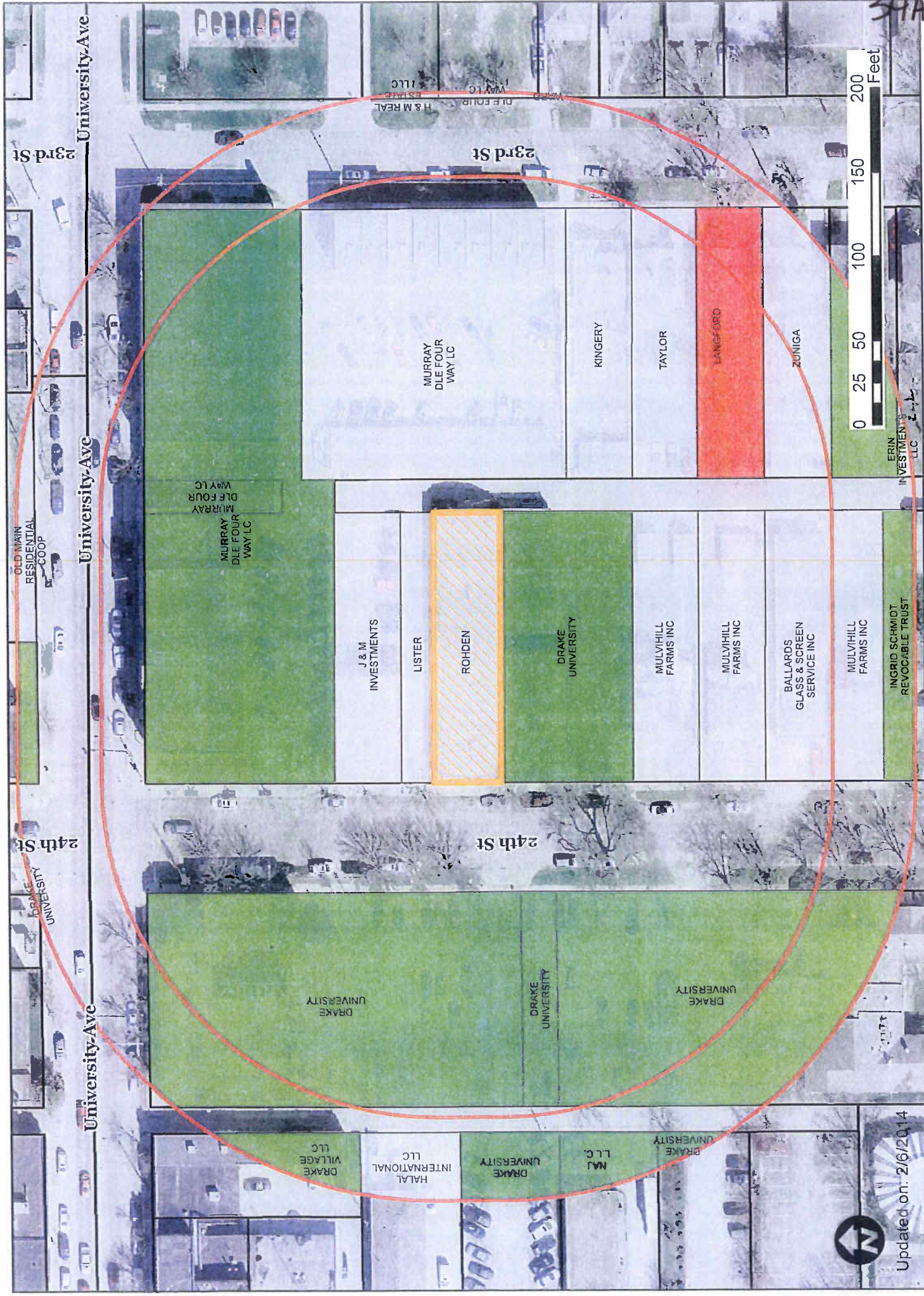
Alley

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Note: Councilwoman Hensley did help put in a new playground + tennis court. However Drake Park is nice, eyesore homes @ 1161-24th + 1107-24th and

Tim Thelen, 1159 24th Street

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Updated on: 2/6/2014