Agent: Consensus Planning.
Applicant: Mack ABQ I, LLC
Request: Zoning Map Amendment (zone change)
Legal Description: Tract A-1, Plat Of Tracts A-1 Thru A-6 Unser & Sage Marketplace, (being a replat of Tract A Unit 1-B Lands of Albuquerque South)
Location: Sage Rd. SW, between Unser Blvd. SW and Secret Valley Dr. SW
Size: Approximately 5.0 acres
Existing Zoning: MX-T
Proposed Zoning: PD

Summary of Analysis
The request is for a Zoning Map Amendment (zone change) and associated, required Site Plan - EPC for an approximately 5.0-acre site that comprises a portion of land along Sage Rd SW. The applicant requests to change the subject site’s zoning to PD for a Self-Storage and Light Vehicle Rental facility.

The request is in direct conflict with IDO Subsection 2-6 (A) (3)(c) as the proposed development could be achieved in substantially the same form through the use of one or more zone districts.

The request has not been adequately justified pursuant to the IDO Review and Decision Criteria for zone changes in IDO 14-16-6-7(G)(3) and conflicts with criteria A, B, D, F, and G. The zone change would be harmful to the health and general welfare of the community; it is inconsistent with the predominant land use of adjacent property; presents significant conflicts with several, applicable Goals and policies in the Comprehensive Plan; is not more advantageous to the community; and would allow permissive uses that are harmful to adjacent property because of incompatibilities.


Staff Planner
Sergio Lozoya, Current Planner

The affected neighborhood organizations and property owners within 100 feet were all notified as required.

Staff recommends DENIAL.
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Request

The request is for a Zoning Map Amendment (zone change) and associated Site Plan - EPC for an approximately 5.0-acre site, legally described as Tract A-1, Plat of Tracts A-1 Thru A-6 Unser & Sage Marketplace, (being a replat of Tract A Unit 1-B Lands of Albuquerque South), and comprising a portion of land between Unser Blvd SW and Secret Valley Dr SW, along Sage Rd SW (the “subject site”).

The subject site is zoned MX-T (Mixed Use – Transition) and is vacant. The applicant is requesting a zone change from MX-T to PD (Planned Development) to allow for the development of a self-storage and light vehicle rental facility. The current zoning allows for some commercial development, and does not allow self-storage or light vehicle rentals permissively. The MX-T zoning designation is primarily intended to buffer the existing single-family homes from the more intense uses allowed in the MX-L to the north.

Pursuant to IDO Subsection 14-16-2-6(A)(3) a zone change to PD requires that a Site Plan – EPC be reviewed concurrently.

EPC Role

The EPC is hearing this case because the EPC is required to hear all zone change cases, regardless of site size, in the City. The EPC is the final decision-making body unless the EPC decision is appealed. If so, the Land Use Hearing Officer (LUHO) would hear the appeal and make a recommendation to the City Council. The City Council would make then make the final decision. The request is a quasi-judicial matter.

Pursuant to IDO Subsection 14-16-2-6(A)(3), a zone map amendment to PD requires that a Site Plan – EPC be submitted and reviewed concurrently. The EPC shall conduct a public hearing and decide on the application pursuant to all applicable provisions. Further criteria shall be discussed later in this report. This is a quasi-judicial matter.
Context

The approximately 5.0-acre site is comprised of one parcel and is located on Sage Blvd SW, between Unser Blvd SW and Secret Valley Dr SW. The tracts adjacent to the north are zoned MX-L (Mixed-Use – Light Intensity). Beyond Sage Rd there are parcels zoned PD, MX-L, and some are unincorporated (Bernalillo County). To the east and south of the subject site, the parcels are zoned R-1A, and are developed with single family homes. West of the subject site across Unser Blvd SW, there is a large parcel zoned PD, and other parcels zoned mostly R-1A beyond. The parcels with the highest intensity zone nearby are those zoned PD (Planned Development); allowable uses on these parcels are subject to EPC approval.

The uses in the area surrounding the subject site consist mostly of single-family dwellings, with some commercial development located near the intersection of Sage Rd SW and Unser Blvd SW.

History

Prior to the adoption of the IDO, the subject site was part of a larger site development plan for subdivision, which was approved by the DRB in 2010, along with a required infrastructure list (Project 1008203, see attachments). Upon adoption of the IDO, the subject site’s zone designation was changed from C-1 to MX-L.

On January 9th, 2020, the EPC voted to approve a Zone Map Amendment (RZ-2019-00070) from MX-L to MX-T, to facilitate the development of commercial and residential uses. However, the projects envisioned were not developed and the site remains vacant.

On April 21, 2022 the EPC approved the deferral of a request for a zone map amendment from MX-T to NR-C. This request also included the smaller lot to the west of the subject site. During the deferral period, staff had internal discussions to try and find a path forward for the applicant, that met IDO requirements. On May 19, 2022 the EPC approved the withdrawal of the request where staff had recommended denial. As noted in the supplemental staff report for the May 19, 2022 hearing, staff discussed the option of PD and concluded that a self-storage facility did not meet the requirements for PD, since the uses envisioned would be allowable in several different zones.

Transportation System

The Long Range Roadway System (LRRS) map, produced by the Mid-Region Metropolitan Region Planning Organization (MRMPO), identifies the functional classifications of roadways. The LRRS designates Sage Rd SW as a Major Collector and Unser Blvd SW as a Regional Principal Arterial.

Comprehensive Plan Designations

The Comprehensive Plan designates Unser Blvd SW as a Commuter Corridor. Commuter Corridors are roadways intended for long-distance trips across towns by automobile, including limited access streets (Comprehensive Plan, 5-17).

The subject site is not located within any Centers as designated by the Comprehensive Plan.

The subject site is located within an Area of Consistency as designated by the Comprehensive Plan. Neighborhoods designated as Areas of Consistency will be protected by policies to limit densities, new uses, and negative impacts from nearby development.

The subject site is located within the Southwest Mesa Community Planning Area. The Southwest Mesa CPA is characterized by suburban subdivisions, impressive vista, and connection to the
Western mesa vista. The identity and character of this area is still emerging, while the physical environment is characterized by sand flats, dunes, and escarpments dotted with scrub juniper and sage (Comprehensive Plan, 4-28).

**Trails/Bikeways**

The Long Range Bikeway System (LRBS) map, produced by the Mid-Region Council of Governments (MRCOG), identifies existing and proposed routes and trails. Unser Blvd SW has both a dedicated bike lane, and a paved multi-use trail, both of which connect to a larger bike trail network. Sage Rd SW had dedicated bike lanes east of Unser Blvd SW, which end at 86th St SW and begin again on 98th St SW.

**Transit**

There are no bus routes within ¼ mile of the subject site. The nearest route is ABQ Ride 54 at the intersection of Unser Blvd SW and Arenal Rd SW, located south of the subject site. Route 54 runs Monday through Saturday and has a peak frequency of 45 minutes.

**Public Facilities/Community Services**

Please refer to the Public Facilities Map (Page 7), which shows public facilities and community services located within one mile of the subject site.

**II. ANALYSIS of APPLICABLE ORDINANCES, PLANS, AND POLICIES**

**Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO)**

**Definitions**

- **Commercial Services:** Any activity involving provision of services carried out for profit, generally for a business customer and not an individual buyer, including but not limited to upholstering, welding, laundry, printing, or publishing, that is not listed separately as a distinct use in Table 4-2-1.

- **Non-residential Development:** Development of allowable land uses on a property that includes no residential development.

**Zoning**

The subject site is currently zoned MX-T (Mixed-Use – Transition, IDO 14-16-2-4(A)). The purpose of the MX-T zone district is to provide a transition between residential neighborhoods and more intense commercial areas. Primary land uses include a range of low-density residential, small-scale multi-family, office, institutional, and pedestrian-oriented commercial uses. Allowable uses are shown in Table 4-2-1. The MX-T zone (similar to the former O-1 zone) is often used to buffer single-family homes.

The request is to change the subject site’s zoning to PD (Planned Development, IDO 14-16-2-6(A)). The purpose of the PD zone district is to accommodate small- and medium-scale innovative projects that cannot be accommodated through the use of other zone districts, provided that those projects are consistent with the Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Comprehensive Plan (ABC Comp Plan), as amended and include standards that would not otherwise be required of the applicant in order to provide significant public, civic, or natural resource benefits.
This zone district is applied on a case-by-case basis to reflect a negotiated agreement for uses and standards with the applicant. Allowable uses are negotiated on a case-by-case basis but may not include any use that is not included in Table 4-2-1.

There are some noteworthy differences between MX-T and the PD zones. The main difference is that every listed use in the IDO is potentially an allowable use in the PD zone, therefore the PD zone can be less predictable and include a wide range of relatively intense uses.

Zone map amendments to the PD zone require an associated site plan, both of which require EPC approval.

Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO) 14-16-6-2(A)(3)-Eligibility For Rezoning to PD

A zoning map amendment to the PD zone must meet the following requirements to be eligible for rezoning:

2-6(A)(3)(a) A PD zone district must contain at least 2 but less than 20 contiguous acres of land.

The subject site contains approximately 5-acres and meets the minimum size requirement.

2-6(A)(3)(b) A Site Plan – EPC that specifies uses, site standards, and development standards shall be reviewed and decided in conjunction with the review and decision of the zone change request pursuant to Subsection 14-16-6-7(G) (Zoning Map Amendment – EPC) or Subsection 14-16-6-7(H) (Zoning Map Amendment – Council), as applicable.

The applicant has submitted a Site Plan – EPC to be reviewed in conjunction with the Zoning Map Amendment request.

2-6(A)(3)(c) A PD zone district will not be accepted or approved for any proposed development that could be achieved in substantially the same form through the use of one or more zone districts and/or Overlay zones

The request for self-storage and light vehicle sales and rental could be substantially completed in the same form through the use of several other zone districts.

Light Vehicle Rental is conditionally permissive in the MX-L zone district, and is permissive in the MX-M, MX-H, NR-C, NR-BP, NR-LM, and NR-GM zone districts.

Self-storage is conditionally permissive in the MX-L and MX-M zone districts, and is permissive in the MX-H, NR-C, NR-BP, NR-LM, and NR-GM zone districts.

Light Vehicle Rental and Self-storage are both permissive in the MX-H, NR-C, NR-BP, NR-LM, and NR-GM zone districts. However, use-specific standard 4-3(D)(29)(f) prohibits direct access to individual storage units in the MX-L, MX-M, MX-H, or MX-FB zone districts, but is generally allowed in the NR-C, NR-BP, NR-LM, and NR-GM zone districts.

The request does not meet requirement C as it could be achieved substantially in the same form through the use of the above-mentioned zone districts.

Albuquerque / Bernalillo County Comprehensive Plan

The subject site is located in an area that the 2017 Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Comprehensive Plan has designated an Area of Consistency. Applicable Goals and policies are listed below.
In this case, some of the Goals and policies below were included by the applicant in the justification letter. The applicant also included goals and policies that staff does not find relevant, those are listed later in report.

Chapter 4: Community Identity

Goal 4.1 – Character: Enhance, protect, and preserve distinct communities.

The subject site is currently zoned MX-T. The MX-T zone provides a transition between residential neighborhoods and more intense development in the adjacent MX-L zone. The zone change from MX-T to PD would disrupt this transition, remove the buffer, and leave the neighborhood unprotected from intense development that could become permissive in the PD zone district. The neighborhood would not be protected, nor preserved. The request does not further Goal 4.1 – Character.

Policy 4.1.2 – Identity and Design: Protect the identity and cohesiveness of neighborhoods by ensuring the appropriate scale and location of development, mix of uses, and character of building design.

The MX-T zone allows for residential and other less intense uses to be developed in an area with mostly R-1 zoning. This transitional zoning ensures that the appropriate type and scale of land uses are developed, while protecting and enhancing the existing neighborhood. The PD zone is less predictable, and potentially allows all uses. The request could disrupt the established identity, character, and existing uses in the neighborhood and adversely affect its cohesiveness. The request does not further Policy 4.1.2 – Identity and Design.

Chapter 5: Land Use

Goal 5.1-Centers & Corridors: Grow as a community of strong Centers connected by a multi-modal network of Corridors.

The subject site is located near the intersection of Unser Blvd SW and Sage Rd SW. Unser Blvd is designated as a Commuter Corridor, but Commuter Corridors are excluded from the Corridor definitions in the IDO. Unlike other Corridors in the Comprehensive Plan, development along the corridor has the potential to hinder its utility. The subject site is not located within any Centers. The request does not further Goal 5.1 – Centers and Corridors.

Policy 5.1.1- Desired Growth: Capture regional growth in Centers and Corridors to help shape the built environment into a sustainable development pattern.

The request for the PD zone could allow a development of a wide variety of commercial and industrial uses which are currently not allowed. However, the subject site is within a residential area, is not an ideal location to capture regional growth, and the request could allow uses that would create unsustainable development patterns. The request does not further Policy 5.1.1 – Desired Growth.

Sub policy c: Encourage employment density, compact development, redevelopment, and infill in Centers and Corridors as the most appropriate areas to accommodate growth over time and discourage the need for development at the urban edge.
The request would provide an opportunity for infill development on the subject site. However, the zone change to PD would accommodate development in a generally inappropriate area outside of a Center or relevant type of Corridor. The request does not further sub policy 5.1.1c.

Policy 5.1.2- Development Areas: Direct more intense growth to Centers and Corridors and use Development Areas to establish and maintain appropriate density and scale of development within areas that should be more stable.

The request would direct more intense commercial uses to the subject site, which is located in an area that is generally zoned R-1. The intense growth would be directed to an Area of Consistency. The current MX-T zone allows for an appropriate transition, and facilitates development that is compatible in density, scale, and intensity in relation to the surrounding area. An approximately 100,000 square foot self-storage facility/light vehicle rental is not permissive in any of the neighboring zones, and only become permissive in the MX-H zone. This request does not further Policy 5.1.2 - Development Areas.

Policy 5.1.12 – Commuter Corridors: Allow auto-oriented development along Commuter Corridors that are higher-speed and higher-traffic volume routes for people going across town, often as limited-access roadways.

The request would allow for high-intensity uses that are auto-oriented, however there are other aspects that make certain types of auto-oriented development incompatible with the surrounding area. The subject site is within an Area of Consistency, and is a neighborhood largely zoned R-1 which should be protected from intense development. This request partially further Policy 5.1.12- Commuter Corridors.

Goal 5.2-Complete Communities: Foster communities where residents can live, work, learn, shop, and play together.

The existing MX-T zone allows for a mix of uses that allow residents to live, work, learn, shop, and play together. Uses under the MX-T zones are versatile and can provide residential and commercial uses compatible with the surrounding area. The PD zone could facilitate development of commercial services, but at the expense of circumventing existing use specific standards and conditional use processes, and could be detrimental to the existing neighborhood. The uses proposed are permissive in the MX-H zone. However, the use specific standards prohibit outdoor accessible self-storage in the MX-L, MX-M, MX-H, and MX-FB zone districts. A development of this nature is characteristic of development that would happen in the NR-C zone. The request does not further Goal 5.2 – Complete communities.

Policy 5.2.1-Land Uses: Create healthy, sustainable, and distinct communities with a mix of uses that are conveniently accessible from surrounding neighborhoods.

The request would not contribute to creating a healthy and sustainable community because it would facilitate development of intense commercial uses that would be incompatible with the surrounding neighborhood. The requested zone change is not within any Center, and is located within an Area of Consistency where policies limit new development to an intensity and scale consistent with the neighborhood. An approximately 100,000 square foot outdoor self-
storage/light vehicle rental is well suited for a subject property zoned NR-C, which is highly incompatible with the surrounding area. The request does not further Policy 5.2.1 – Land Uses

Sub policy 5.2.1(h): Encourage infill development that adds complementary uses.

The request would facilitate development on the subject site, adjacent to an established neighborhood. Any new goods, and services would be within walking and biking distance of this neighborhood and of nearby neighborhoods. Unser Blvd’s status as a designated regional arterial promotes good access by vehicles. Though, there is potential for incompatible uses that are not complimentary to the surrounding development. The request partially furthers sub policy 5.2.1(h).

Sub policy 5.2.1(k): Discourage zone changes to detached single-family residential uses on the West Side.

The zone change request to PD could allow single-family dwellings permissively, therefore the request encourages a zone change that could allow detached single-family residential uses on the Westside. The request does not further Sub-policy 5.2.1(k).

Sub policy 5.2.1(n): Encourage more productive use of vacant lots and under-utilized lots, including surface parking.

The zone change to PD would encourage the development of an under-utilized lot, which has been vacant for several years, however, the request as presented is characterized by uses allowed in the NR-C zone district. The request does not further Sub-policy 5.2.1 (n).

Goal 5.3-Efficient Development Patterns: Promote development patterns that maximize the utility of existing infrastructure and public facilities and the efficient use of land to support the public good.

The subject site is already served by existing infrastructure and public facilities, so future development could generally promote efficient development patterns and use of land. However, the proposed site plan and the proposed uses for the requested PD zone are characterized in intensity that matches the NR-C zone. Intense uses could strain existing infrastructure. The request does not further Goal 5.3 – Efficient Development Patterns.

Policy 5.3.1-Infill Development: Support additional growth in areas with existing infrastructure and public facilities.

The request would support additional growth at the subject site, which is an infill site located in an area already served by existing infrastructure and public facilities. Though, this would be achievable with lower-intensity zone districts. The request furthers Policy 5.3.1 – Infill Development.

Goal 5.4 – Jobs-Housing Balance: Balance jobs and housing by encouraging residential growth near employment across the region and prioritizing job growth west of the Rio Grande.

The requested uses within the PD zone would not allow residential development and would prioritize uses that encourage job growth west of the Rio Grande. However, uses are determined on a case by case basis in the PD zone, and all uses including residential could be permissive in the future. The request partially furthers Goal 5.4 – Jobs-Housing Balance.

*Policy 5.4.2 – West Side Jobs: Foster employment opportunities on the West Side.
The requested PD zone would encourage commercial development on a vacant site, which would foster employment opportunities on the West Side. The request furthers Policy 5.4.2 – West Side Jobs.

Goal 5.6-City Development Areas: Encourage and direct growth to Areas of Change where it is expected and desired and ensure that development in and near Areas of Consistency reinforces the character and intensity of the surrounding area.

The subject site is located in an Area of Consistency and is currently zoned MX-T, which acts as a transition from MX-L to the north to R-1B to the south, and ensures that development would reinforce the character and intensity of the surrounding area. The request for an PD zone would facilitate higher intensity development. As presented, the proposed uses become permissive in the NR-C zone, and do not reinforce the character of the surrounding area. This request does not further Goal 5.6 – City Development Areas.

Policy 5.6.2- Areas of Change: Direct growth and more intense development to Centers, Corridors, industrial and business parks, and Metropolitan Redevelopment Areas where change is encouraged.

The request would direct more intense development outside of any designated Center, and to an area of Consistency, which is the opposite of the intent expressed in the Comprehensive Plan. The request does not further Policy 5.6.2 – Areas of Change.

Policy 5.6.3- Areas of Consistency: Protect and enhance the character of existing single-family neighborhoods, areas outside of Centers and Corridors, parks, and Major Public Open Space.

The subject site is located within an existing single-family neighborhood and outside of Centers designated by the Comprehensive Plan. Development in Areas of Consistency is intended to be compatible with the existing scale and character of surrounding neighborhoods. The PD zone and proposed uses are incompatible with the existing residences and surrounding neighborhoods. The request does not further Policy 5.6.3 – Areas of Consistency.

Site Plan-EPC Review & Decision Criteria

Pursuant to IDO subsection 14-16-6-6(J)(3) The EPC shall approve an application for a Site Plan - EPC if it meets all of the following criteria:

6-6(J)(3)(a) The Site Plan is consistent with the ABC Comp Plan, as amended.

As demonstrated in the policy analysis above, the request is not consistent with applicable Comprehensive Plan goals and policies.

6-6(J)(3)(b) The Site Plan is consistent with any applicable terms and conditions in any previously approved NR-SU or PD zoning covering the subject property and any related development agreements and/or regulations.

The subject-site is zoned PD, but does not have a Site Plan established. This request (should it be approved) will establish the governing Site Plan.
6-6(J)(3)(c) The Site Plan complies with all applicable provisions of this IDO, the DPM, other adopted City regulations, and any terms and conditions specifically applied to the development of the property in a prior permit or approval affecting the property.

With the application of conditions of approval, the site plan will comply with all applicable provisions of the IDO, though the EPC would have to overlook applicable use-specific standards for self-storage for this requirement to be met. The request will need to be reviewed by the Development Review Board (DRB) to ensure compliance with applicable provisions of the Development Process Manual (DPM). As per the IDO, the EPC will determine whether any deviations from typical development standards are acceptable in this proposed Site Plan.

6-6(J)(3)(d) The City’s existing infrastructure and public improvements, including but not limited to its street, trail, drainage, and sidewalk systems, have adequate capacity to serve the proposed development, and any burdens on those systems have been mitigated to the maximum extent practicable.

If approved, the request will be reviewed by the Development Review Board (DRB), which is charged with addressing infrastructure and ensuring that infrastructure such as streets, trails, sidewalks, and drainage systems has sufficient capacity to serve a proposed development.

6-6(J)(3)(e) The application mitigates any significant adverse impacts on the project site and the surrounding area to the maximum extent practicable.

Future development will be required to comply with the decisions made by two bodies- the EPC and the DRB. The EPC’s conditions of approval will improve compliance with the IDO, which contains regulations to mitigate site plan impacts to surrounding areas. The DRB’s conditions will ensure infrastructure is adequately addressed so that a proposed development will not burden the surrounding area.

6-6(J)(3)(f) If the subject property is within an approved Master Development Plan, the Site Plan meets any relevant standards in the Master Development Plan in addition to any standards applicable in the zone district the subject property is in.

The subject property is not within an approved Master Development Plan, IDO section 6-6(J)(3)(f) does not apply.

6-6(J)(3)(g) If a cumulative impact analysis is required in the Railroad and Spur Area pursuant to Subsections 14-16-5-2(E) (Cumulative Impacts) and 14-16-6-4(H) (Cumulative Impacts Analysis Requirements), the Site Plan incorporates mitigation for all identified cumulative impacts. The proposed development will not create material adverse impacts on water quality or other land in the surrounding area through increases in traffic congestion, parking congestion, noise, vibration, light spillover, or other nuisances without sufficient mitigation or civic environmental benefits that outweigh the expected impacts.
The subject property is not within the Railroad and Spur Area, IDO section 6-6(J)(3)(g) does not apply.

Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO) 14-16-6-7(G)(3)-Review and Decision Criteria for Zone Map Amendments

Requirements

The review and decision criteria outline policies and requirements for deciding zone change applications. The applicant must provide sound justification for the proposed change and demonstrate that several tests have been met. The burden is on the applicant to show why a change should be made.

The applicant must demonstrate that the existing zoning is inappropriate because of one of three findings: 1) there was an error when the existing zone district was applied to the property; or 2) there has been a significant change in neighborhood or community conditions affecting the site; or 3) a different zone district is more advantageous to the community as articulated by the Comprehensive Plan or other, applicable City plans.

Justification & Analysis

The zone change justification letter analyzed here, received September 1st, is a response to Staff’s request for a revised justification (see attachment). The subject site is currently MX-T (Mixed-Use – Transition). The requested zoning is PD (Planned Development). The reason for the zone change is to allow self-storage and light vehicle rental uses.

The applicant believes that the proposed zoning map amendment (zone change) meets the zone change decision criteria in IDO §14-16-6-7(G)(3) as elaborated in the justification letter. The citation is from the IDO. The applicant’s arguments are in italics. Staff analysis follows in plain text.

A. The proposed zone is consistent with the health, safety, and general welfare of the City as shown by furthering (and not being in conflict with) a preponderance of applicable Goals and Policies in the ABC Comp Plan, as amended, and other applicable plans adopted by the City.

 Applicant: The proposed zone change is consistent with the health, safety, and general welfare of the City as shown by furthering (and not being in conflict with) a preponderance of applicable Goals and Policies in the ABC Comprehensive Plan, as amended, and other applicable plans adopted by the City. Please refer to the in-depth analysis of the applicable Goals and Policies below.

Staff: Consistency with the City’s health, safety, morals and general welfare is shown by demonstrating that a request furthers applicable Comprehensive Plan Goals and Policies (and other plans if applicable) and does not significantly conflict with them.

Applicable citations: Goal 5.1-Centers and Corridors, sub-policy 5.1.1(c), Policy 5.2.1-Land Uses, Sub Policy 5.2.1(h)-Land Uses, Sub Policy 5.2.1(k)-Land Uses, Sub Policy 5.2.1(n)-Land Uses, Goal 5.3-Efficient Development Patterns, Policy 5.3.1-Infill Development, Goal 5.4 Jobs-Housing Balance, Policy 5.4.2-West Side Jobs
Applicable Goals and Policies not included: Goal 4.1-Character, Policy 4.1.2-Identity and Design, Policy 5.1.2-Development Areas, Goal 5.6 City Development Areas. Policy 5.6.2-Areas of Change, Policy 5.6.3-Areas of Consistency

Non-applicable citations: Policy 5.1.1-Desired Growth

The applicant’s policy-based response does not adequately demonstrate that the request furthers a preponderance of applicable Goals and Policies. The request generally furthers some policies regarding Jobs-Housing Balance. However, these policies could be equally furthered by a zone map amendment to a less intense zone than the requested PD zone, and could be achieved with the current zone. The request conflicts with policies regarding Character, Identity and Design, and Areas of Consistency. Therefore, there are significant conflicts and the request does not further a preponderance of applicable Goals and policies.

B. If the subject site is located partially or completely in an Area of Consistency (as shown in the ABC Comp Plan, as amended), the applicant has demonstrated that the new zone would clearly reinforce or strengthen the established character of the surrounding Area of Consistency and would not permit development that is significantly different from that character. The applicant must also demonstrate that the existing zoning is inappropriate because it meets any of the following criteria:

1. There was typographical or clerical error when the existing zone district was applied to the property.
2. There has been a significant change in neighborhood or community conditions affecting the site.
3. A different zone district is more advantageous to the community as articulated by the ABC Comp Plan, as amended (including implementation of patterns of land use, development density and intensity, and connectivity), and other applicable adopted City plan(s).

Applicant: Criteria 3 is met for this application. The existing zoning is not appropriate for this site because a different zone district is more advantageous to the community as articulated by the ABC Comp Plan.

The subject site is located wholly in an Area of Consistency. However, the requested change to PD, and the commercial development, which is facilitated as a result, will clearly reinforce the established character of the surrounding area, which includes a drive-through restaurant, a preschool, and a retail outlet. Further, there are additional commercial uses and PD zoning located on similarly situated sites to the west of the intersection of Unser Boulevard and Sage Road, to the north along Unser, farther east on Sage, and to the southwest at 98th Street and Gibson Boulevard. It is evident throughout Albuquerque that the requested zoning is appropriate along major corridors and near significant intersections such as the case of the subject site, which is along a designated Commuter Corridor and an arterial roadway.

The existing zoning for the subject site does not allow for the desired retail and commercial services use of the property, and development with this use is clearly more advantageous to the community as articulated by the ABC Comp Plan, as described in detail earlier in this letter.
Changing the zoning from MX-T to PD furthers the applicable ABC Comp Plan policies described in this letter. The site is located along a Commuter Corridor, and is near a Major Transit Corridor, as well as a designated Employment Center, which are all critical considerations relative to these policies.

The proposed zoning will allow development that serves the surrounding and overall Southwest Mesa neighborhood by providing a needed service of self-storage and truck rentals. This zoning suits the property designation as an Area of Consistency, and it is well served by existing infrastructure.

Staff response: Criterion B is a two-part test, which the request does not meet. The applicant has not adequately demonstrated that the proposed zone would clearly reinforce or strengthen the established character of the surrounding Area of Consistency. The PD zone and requested uses would permit future development that is significantly different from the area’s established neighborhood character. The proposed self-storage and light vehicle rental uses would not be permissive as presented in any MX zone, and become permissive in the generally more intense Non-Residential zone districts, and are neither characteristic nor compatible with the surrounding neighborhood. The applicant noted location near a major transit corridor and employment center; however, the subject site is not within the boundaries of either. Therefore, related policies do not apply and do not have bearing on this analysis.

The request does not meet Criterion 3 (more advantageous to the community) because the applicant has not adequately demonstrated that the request clearly reinforces applicable Goals and policies and does not conflict with them. Therefore, a different zone category would not be more advantageous to the community than the current zoning.

The response to Criterion B is insufficient.

C. If the subject property is located wholly in an Area of Change (as shown in the ABC Comp Plan, as amended) and the applicant has demonstrated that the existing zoning is inappropriate because it meets any of the following criteria:

1. There was a typographical or clerical error when the existing zone district was applied to the property.
2. There has been a significant change in neighborhood or community conditions affecting the site that justifies this request.
3. A different zone district is more advantageous to the community as articulated by the ABC Comp Plan, as amended (including implementation of patterns of land use, development density and intensity, and connectivity), and other applicable adopted City plan(s).

Applicant: The subject property is located wholly in an Area of Consistency, so this criterion does not apply.

Staff: The subject site is located wholly in an Area of Consistency. Therefore, this criterion does not apply.
D. The zone change does not include permissive uses that would be harmful to adjacent property, the neighborhood, or the community, unless the Use-specific Standards in Section 16-16-4-3 associated with that use will adequately mitigate those harmful impacts.

Applicant: The requested zoning of PD does not allow permissive uses that would be harmful to the adjacent property, neighborhood, or community, as it will be specifically tailored to a self-storage project with associated truck rentals and landscaping, access and circulation, buffering, and parking as shown on the attached Site Plan. The neighborhood is supportive of the self-storage use due to its limited traffic, low height, and buffering as defined by the Site Plan.

Staff: The applicant discusses the proposed development of a self-storage and light vehicle rental, however, the proposed self-storage and relevant use specific standards found in IDO subsection 4-3(D)(29) are not met, specifically the outdoor accessible storage units prohibited in the MX zone districts. An approximately 100,000 square foot storage facility, which overlooks use-specific standards is harmful to the surrounding area.

Uses in the PD zone are approved by the EPC on a case by case basis.

The response to Criterion D is insufficient.

E. The City's existing infrastructure and public improvements, including but not limited to its street, trail, and sidewalk systems meet 1 of the following requirements:

1. Have adequate capacity to serve the development made possible by the change of zone.
2. Will have adequate capacity based on improvements for which the City has already approved and budgeted capital funds during the next calendar year.
3. Will have adequate capacity when the applicant fulfills its obligations under the IDO, the DPM, and/or an Infrastructure Improvements Agreement.
4. Will have adequate capacity when the City and the applicant have fulfilled their respective obligations under a City- approved Development Agreement between the City and the applicant.

Applicant: The subject property will be adequately served by the existing City infrastructure immediately adjacent to the property and in the surrounding area. This infrastructure includes roadways, water, sewer, and storm drain facilities in the Southwest Mesa neighborhood that can serve the project. These infrastructure improvements were constructed by the property owner and will finally be utilized to provide needed services.

Staff: The request appears to meet the requirement that the City’s existing infrastructure and public improvements adequately serve the subject site and have adequate capacity to serve the development made possible by the change of zone (requirement 1). The response to Criterion E is sufficient.

F. The applicant’s justification for the requested zone change is not completely based on the property’s location on a major street.
Applicant: The justification for this Zoning Map Amendment is not based on the property’s location on a major street but the request being more advantageous to the community as articulated by the Comprehensive Plan.

Staff: The applicant uses the subject site’s location along designated Regional Principal Arterial, Unser Blvd. SW as rationale for the proposed PD zoning and is weaving this into the justification. However, this rationale is tied to the policy analysis, which does not show that the request furthers a preponderance of applicable Goals and policies.

The response to Criterion F is insufficient.

G. The applicant's justification for the requested zone change is not completely or predominantly on the cost of land or economic conditions.

Applicant: The justification for this Zoning Map Amendment does not rely on the cost of land or economic considerations. However, taking advantage of investment in the infrastructure needed to serve this property, which is a vacant lot, helps support the economic vitality of the neighborhood and will be a positive step for the neighborhood and community overall.

Staff: The cost of land and economic considerations are usually a factor, but in this case the applicant’s justification relies on them completely. The applicant directly cites construction costs and market demands as the reasoning behind adding the proposed outdoor accessible self-storage use, which is not permitted in certain MX zones due to the use-specific standards. Development of this type is characteristic of development that is permissive in the NR-C zone.

The response to criterion G is insufficient.

H. The zone change does not apply a zone district different from surrounding zone districts to one small area or one premises (i.e. create a "spot zone") or to a strip of land along a street (i.e. create a "strip zone") unless the change will clearly facilitate implementation of the ABC Comp Plan, as amended, and at least one of the following applies:

1. The area of the zone change is different from surrounding land because it can function as a transition between adjacent zone districts.
2. The site is not suitable for the uses allowed in any adjacent zone district due to topography, traffic, or special adverse land uses nearby.
3. The nature of structures already on the premises makes it unsuitable for the uses allowed in any adjacent zone district.

Applicant: This request does not create a spot zone. The Southwest Mesa, in particular has many properties zoned PD, including Planned Development sites immediately across Unser Boulevard to the west. Additional PD zoning is to the north across Sage Road along the east side of Unser, as well as to the east at Sage Road and 75th Street.

Although not a spot zone, the Applicant also believes it is a critical consideration that the requested zoning with building height, configuration, and expanded buffering as defined on the attached Site Plan, which is even more restrictive and in compliance with the
requirements of the IDO provides a significant transition between the remaining MX-L zoning of the Unser & Sage Marketplace and the low density single-family residential neighborhoods to the south and east.

Staff: The request would not create a zone district different from surrounding zone districts to one small area or one premises (i.e. create a "spot zone") or to a strip of land along a street (i.e. create a "strip zone").

The response to criterion H is sufficient.

III. SITE PLAN EPC

Request

The request is for an associated, required Site Plan – EPC for an approximately 5.0-acre site located on Unser Blvd SW. The applicant proposes to create a governing site plan for an undeveloped lot as part of a request for a zone map amendment from MX-T to PD. The proposed development consists of an approximately 100,00 square foot self-storage and light vehicle rental facility. The site plan should clearly indicate which IDO standards are being met, and which are being negotiated through the Site Plan – EPC process.

Site Plan approval process and PD zones

This site plan was submitted pursuant to IDO Subsection 14-16-2-6(A)(3), eligibility for rezoning to PD. However, the zone change justification submitted by the applicant is insufficient, and staff is recommending denial of the requested PD zone. The request does not meet the definition of a PD zone and is not justified pursuant to the zone change criteria in IDO Subsection 14-16-6-7(G)(3). The site plan cannot be approved without the associated approval of the PD zone, therefore staff is also recommending denial for the Site Plan – EPC.

As shown in IDO Table 2-6-1, development standards for the PD zone district are largely determined by the EPC Site Plan approval process. The analysis of the site plan below uses applicable IDO standards, ultimately the EPC will decide whether or not any deviations from typical development standards are acceptable. Deviations shall be called out by the applicant as to create a reliable record for this Site Plan – EPC. The applicant has based the site plan design on MX-L zone district design guidelines, pursuant to IDO Table 2-4-3.

Neighborhood Edges

Development on this subject site is subject to IDO Section 5-9 Neighborhood edges, which limits building height to 30 feet for all development within 100 feet in any direction of the protected lot.

Use-specific Standards for Self-storage and Light-vehicle rental

4-3(D)(20) Light Vehicle Sales and Rental: If approved, Staff requires further discussion with the applicant to determine how this use will operate on the site. As presented, staff cannot determine if the relevant use-specific standards for this use are being met.

4-3(D)(29) Self-storage: Use specific standard 4-3(D)(29)(c) requires that any self-storage abutting a Residential zone district provide an opaque wall or fence at least 6 feet but nor more than 8 feet high or a landscape buffer at least 50 feet wide along the abutting lot line. At this time, neither of these are clearly shown on the site plan. Use specific standard 4-3(D)(29)(f) prohibits
direct, outdoor access to individual storage units in the MX-L zone. The applicant is requesting that this use-specific standard be waived by the EPC.

**Site Plan Layout / Configuration**

The proposed self-storage and light-vehicle rental facility consists of six separate buildings, with varying square footages. Building A is the indoor accessible, climate controlled self-storage and consists of 62,000 gross square footage. Buildings B through F are all outdoor accessible and vary from 7,325 square feet up to 11,700 square feet. Pursuant to IDO subsection 4-3(D)(29): the proposed, outdoor accessible self-storage units are not permitted in any MX zone district where self-storage is allowed (permissively or conditionally).

5-1: **Dimensional Standards.** The site plan complies with the setback standards pursuant to IDO Table 5-1-2. The front setback is shown at 25 feet minimum, the side(east) setback is also 25 feet minimum. The rear setback is shown as 35 feet minimum. The side (west) setbacks appear to be at 0 feet, which is allowed in the MX-L zone.

**Pedestrian, Bicycle and Transit Access**

Unser Blvd SW has both a dedicated bike lane, and a paved multi-use trail, both of which connect to a larger bike trail network. Sage Rd SW had dedicated bike lanes east of Unser Blvd SW, which end at 86th St SW and begin again on 98th St SW.

There are no bus routes within ¼ mile of the subject site. The nearest route is ABQ Ride 54 at the intersection of Unser Blvd SW and Arenal Rd SW, located south of the subject site. Route 54 runs Monday through Saturday and has a peak frequency of 45 minutes.

There are existing sidewalks along Unser Blvd SW, and some on Sage Rd SW, though new sidewalk is being proposed. The width of the proposed sidewalk is not called out on the site plan. Currently the site plan does not show on site pedestrian crosswalks that comply with 5-3(D)(3)(C), which requires that said crosswalks use change in materials to alert motorists.

**Vehicular Access, Circulation and Parking**

The subject site is located near Unser Blvd SW and is bound by Sage Rd SW to the north, and runs east/west. Sage Rd SW is designated as a Major Collector and has a single lane for each direction of traffic. There are two entrances from Sage Rd SW, one of which is gated. A traffic circulation layout has not been submitted to, or approved by the City.

5-3 Access and Connectivity: Access and Connectivity regulations are largely controlled by the Development Process Manual (DPM) and administered by the Development Review Board (DRB). All driveways and access points shall be constructed to meet DPM standards. Staff recommends a condition that the Site Plan be reviewed and approved by the Development Review Board subsequent to EPC approval.

5-5 Parking and Loading: Parking calculations are shown on the first sheet of the Site Plan. Per IDO Table 5-5-1, 1 space / 3,000 square feet are required. This would require 35 spaces of parking.
However, the applicant proposes only six parking spaces for the development. Parking for the light-vehicle rental use is not discussed in the project letter or the site plan.

**Landscaping, Buffering and Screening – IDO 14-16-5-6(C)(D)(F)**

The applicant is proposing 42,305 square feet of landscaping which equals to 41% lot coverage. This far exceeds the MX-L requirement of 15% lot coverage for landscaping. There are landscape buffers abutting the residential area, however, they are not dimensioned on the proposed site plan.

**Walls and Fences**

There is a fence proposed on the eastern portion of the subject site, however, materials and height are not called out on the site plan.

**Lighting**

There is no lighting shown on the proposed site plan.

**Signage**

Building signage is shown on the elevation drawings, it is not dimensioned. There is no new site signage shown on the proposed site plan, but there appears to be an existing monument sign within the project boundary.

**Elevations/Architecture**

5-1: **Dimensional Standards**: The maximum building height for the MX-L zone district is 38 feet. Building A is shown with a maximum height of 28 feet. The other buildings heights are not called out.

5-11: **Building Design**: The street facing façade has design features required in the MX-L zone district including two levels of glazing and changes in material. Materials are called out but colors of the materials are not shown or called out on the elevations. The outdoor accessible storage units are comprised of insulated metal paneling and roll up doors, again, no colors are shown or called out on the elevations. The elevations should clearly indicate which standards are being met, and which are being negotiated through the Site Plan – EPC process.

Please refer to the submitted elevations in the Site Plan Reductions section of this compilation.

**Grading and Drainage Plan**

Please refer to sheet CG-101.

**Utility Plan**

Please refer to sheet UG-101.

**IV. AGENCY & NEIGHBORHOOD CONCERNS**

**Reviewing Agencies**

City departments and other interested agencies reviewed this application. Few comments were received. PNM commented that existing easements and setbacks should be carefully considered when developing the subject site. Solid waste discussed the placement of future trash enclosures and
stated they would have to be placed away for the neighboring residential area, and require a site plan review. Traffic commented that they have not received a traffic circulation layout, which is needed prior to approval. Other agencies had no significant comments to discuss (see attachments).

**Neighborhood/Public**

The South West Alliance of Neighborhoods, Westside Coalition of Neighborhood Associations, South Valley Coalition of Neighborhood Associations, Stinson Tower NA, and the Westgate Heights NA were all required to be notified, which the applicant did (see attachments). Property owners within 100 feet of the subject site were also notified, as required (see attachments).

The applicant offered a pre-application neighborhood meeting but none was requested by the affected neighborhood associations.

As of this writing, Staff has not received any correspondence or phone calls from the public regarding the request.

**V. CONCLUSION**

The request is for a Zoning Map Amendment (zone change) and associated Site Plan – EPC for an approximately 5.0-acre site that comprises a portion of land between Unser Blvd SW and Secret Valley Dr SW, along Sage Rd SW. The applicant would like to change the subject site’s zoning to allow development of a self-storage and light vehicle rental facility.

The request has not been adequately justified pursuant to the IDO Review and Decision Criteria for zone changes in IDO 14-16-6-7(G)(3) and conflicts with Criterion A, B, D, F, and G. The zone change would be harmful to the health and general welfare of the community; it is inconsistent with the predominant land use of adjacent property; presents significant conflicts with several, applicable Goals and policies in the Comprehensive Plan; is not more advantageous to the community; and would allow permissive uses that are harmful to adjacent property because of incompatibilities.

The affected neighborhood organizations are the South West Alliance of Neighborhoods, Westside Coalition of Neighborhood Associations, South Valley Coalition of Neighborhood Associations, Stinson Tower NA, and the Westgate Heights NA. They were all required to be notified, which the applicant did. Property owners within 100 feet of the subject site were also notified, as required.

Staff recommends DENIAL.
1. The request is for a zoning map amendment (zone change) and an associated, required Site Plan - EPC for an approximately 5.0-acre site legally described as Tract A-1, Plat of Tracts A-1 Thru A-6 Unser & Sage Marketplace, (being a replat of Tract A Unit 1-B Lands of Albuquerque South), and comprising a portion of land between Unser Blvd SW and Secret Valley Dr SW, along Sage Rd SW (the “subject site”).

2. The subject site is zoned MX-T (Mixed Use-Transition Zone District). The applicant is requesting a zone change to PD (Planned Development), which requires an associated Site Plan – EPC, to facilitate future development of a self-storage, and light vehicle rental facility.

3. Pursuant to 2-6(A)(3) Eligibility for Rezoning to PD, the proposed PD zone and the associated proposed Site Plan – EPC are interdependent.

4. The subject site is in an Area of Consistency, and is along a Commuter Corridor as designated in the Comprehensive Plan. The subject site is not located within any designated Activity Center.

5. The request does not meet the requirements for eligibility for rezoning to PD pursuant to the Integrated development Ordinance Section 14-16-2-6(A)(3) as follows:

   A. **Requirement A:** The subject site contains approximately 5-acres and meets the minimum size requirement.

   B. **Requirement B:** The applicant has submitted a Site Plan – EPC to be reviewed in conjunction with the Zoning Map Amendment Request.

   C. **Requirement C:** The request for self-storage and light vehicle sales and rental could be substantially completed in the same form through the use of several other zone districts. Light Vehicle Rental is conditionally permissive in the MX-L zone district, and is permissive in the MX-M, MX-H, NR-C, NR-BP, NR-LM, and NR-GM zone districts. Self-storage is conditionally permissive in the MX-L and MX-M zone districts, and is permissive in the MX-H, NR-C, NR-BP, NR-LM, and NR-GM zone districts. Light Vehicle Rental and Self-storage are both permissive in the MX-H, NR-C, NR-BP, NR-LM, and NR-GM zone districts. As proposed, this development would be permissive in NR-C, NR-BP, NR-LM, and NR-GM zone districts.

   The request does not meet requirement C as it could be substantially in the same form through the use of the above-mentioned zone districts.

6. The Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Comprehensive Plan, and the City of Albuquerque Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO) are incorporated herein by reference and made part of the record for all purposes.

7. The request conflicts significantly with the following, applicable Goal and Policies from Chapter 4: Community Identity:
A. **Goal 4.1 Character:** Enhance, protect, and preserve distinct communities.

The subject site is currently zoned MX-T. The MX-T zone provides a transition between residential neighborhoods and more intense development in the adjacent MX-L zone. The zone change from MX-T to PD would disrupt this transition, remove the buffer, and leave the neighborhood unprotected from intense development that would become permissive in the PD zone district.

B. **Policy 4.1.2 – Identity and Design:** Protect the identity and cohesiveness of neighborhoods by ensuring the appropriate scale and location of development, mix of uses, and character of building design.

The MX-T zone allows for residential and other less intense uses to be developed in an area with mostly R-1 zoning. This transitional zoning ensures that the appropriate type and scale of land uses are developed, while protecting and enhancing the existing neighborhood. The PD zone is less predictable, and potentially allows all uses. The request could disrupt the established identity, character, and existing uses in the neighborhood and adversely affect its cohesiveness.

8. The request conflicts significantly with the following, applicable Goal and Policies from Chapter 5: Land Use:

A. **Goal 5.1-Centers & Corridors:** Grow as a community of strong Centers connected by a multi-modal network of Corridors.

The subject site is located near the intersection of Unser Blvd SW and Sage Rd SW. Unser Blvd is designated as a Commuter Corridor, but Commuter Corridors are excluded from the Corridor definitions in the IDO. Unlike other Corridors in the Comprehensive Plan, development along the corridor has the potential to hinder its utility. The subject site is not located within any Centers.

B. **Policy 5.1.1 – Desired Growth:** Capture regional growth in Centers and Corridors to help shape the built environment into a sustainable development pattern.

The request for the PD zone could allow a development of a wide variety of commercial and industrial uses which are currently not allowed. However, the subject site is within a residential area, is not an ideal location to capture regional growth, and the request could allow uses that would create unsustainable development patterns. A self-storage and light vehicle rental facility do not fit the definition for regional growth.

C. **Sub-policy 5.1.1c:** Encourage employment density, compact development, redevelopment and infill Centers and Corridors as the most appropriate areas to accommodate growth over time and discourage the need for development at the urban edge.

The request would provide an opportunity for infill development on the subject site. However, the zone change to PD would accommodate development in a generally inappropriate in an area outside of a Center or relevant type of Corridor.
D. Policy 5.1.2- Development Areas: Direct more intense growth to Centers and Corridors and use Development Areas to establish and maintain appropriate density and scale of development within areas that should be more stable.

The request could direct more intense commercial uses to the subject site, which is located in an area that is generally zoned R-1. The intense growth would be directed to an Area of Consistency. The current MX-T zone allows for an appropriate transition, and facilitates development that is compatible in density, scale, and intensity in relation to the surrounding area. An approximately 100,000 square foot self-storage facility/light vehicle rental is not permissive in any of the neighboring zones, and only become permissive in the MX-H zone.

9. The request conflicts significantly with the following Goal and policies in Chapter 5-Land use, with respect to complete communities.

A. Goal 5.2-Complete Communities: Foster communities where residents can live, work, learn, shop, and play together.

The existing MX-T zone allows for a mix of uses that allows residents to live, work, learn, shop, and play together. Uses under the MX-T zones are versatile and can provide residential and commercial uses that are compatible with the surrounding area. The PD zone could facilitate development of commercial services, but at the expense of circumventing existing use specific standards and conditional use processes, and could be detrimental to the existing neighborhood. The uses that are proposed become permissive in the MX-H zone, however, the use specific standards prohibit outdoor accessible self-storage in the MX-L, MX-M, MX-H, and MX-FB zone districts. A development of this nature is characteristic of development that would happen in the NR-C zone.

B. Policy 5.2.1-Land Uses: Create healthy, sustainable, and distinct communities with a mix of uses that are conveniently accessible from surrounding neighborhoods.

The request would not contribute to creating a healthy and sustainable community because it would facilitate development of intense commercial uses that would be incompatible with the surrounding neighborhood. The requested zone change is not within any Center, and is located within an Area of Consistency where policies limit new development to an intensity and scale consistent with the neighborhood. AN APPROXIMATELY 100,000 square foot outdoor self-storage/light vehicle rental is well suited for a subject property zoned NR-C, which is highly incompatible with the area.

C. Sub policy 5.2.1(h): Encourage infill development that adds complementary uses.

The request would facilitate development on the subject site, adjacent to an established neighborhood. Any new goods, and services would be within walking and biking distance of this neighborhood and of nearby neighborhoods. Unser Blvd’s status as a designated regional arterial promotes good access by vehicles. Though, there is potential for incompatible uses that are not complimentary to the surrounding development.
D. **Sub policy 5.2.1(k):** Discourage zone changes to detached single-family residential uses on the West Side.

   The zone change request to PD could allow single-family dwellings permissively, therefore the request encourages a zone change that could allow detached single-family residential uses on the Westside.

E. **Sub policy 5.2.1(n):** Encourage more productive use of vacant lots and under-utilized lots, including surface parking.

   The zone change to PD would encourage the development of an under-utilized lot, which has been vacant for several years, however, the request as presented is characterized by uses allowed in the NR-C zone district. The request does not further Sub-policy 5.2.1 (n).

10. The request conflicts significantly with the following Goal and Policies regarding city development areas in chapter 5-Land Use.

   **Goal 5.3-Efficient Development Patterns:** Promote development patterns that maximize the utility of existing infrastructure and public facilities and the efficient use of land to support the public good.

   The subject site is already served by existing infrastructure and public facilities, so future development could generally promote efficient development patterns and use of land. However, the proposed site plan and the proposed uses for the requested PD zone are characterized in intensity that matches the NR-C zone.

11. The request conflicts significantly with the following Goal and Policies regarding city development areas in chapter 5-Land Use.

   **A. Goal 5.6 – City Development Areas:** Encourage and direct growth to Areas of Change where it is expected and desired and ensure that development in and near Areas of Consistency reinforces the character and intensity of the surrounding area.

   The subject site is located in an Area of Consistency and is currently zoned MX-T, which acts as a transition from MX-L to the north to R-1B to the south, and ensures that development would reinforce the character and intensity of the surrounding area. The request for an PD zone would facilitate higher intensity development. As presented, the proposed uses become permissive in the NR-C zone, and do not reinforce the character of the surrounding area.

   **B. Policy 5.6.2 – Areas of Change:** Direct growth and more intense development to Centers, and Corridors, industrial and business parks, and Metropolitan Redevelopment Areas where change is encouraged.

   The request would direct more intense development outside of any designated Center, and to an area of Consistency, which is the opposite of the intent expressed in the Comprehensive Plan.
C. Policy 5.6.3 – Areas of Consistency: Protect and enhance the character of existing single-family neighborhoods, areas outside of Centers and Corridors, parks, and Major Public Open Space.

The subject site is located within an existing single-family neighborhood and outside of Centers designated by the Comprehensive Plan. Development in Areas of Consistency is intended to be compatible with the existing scale and character of surrounding neighborhoods. The PD zone and proposed uses are incompatible with the existing residences and surrounding neighborhoods.

12. The request does not meet the Site Plan – EPC Review and Decision Criteria in IDO Section 14-16-6-6(J)(3) as follows:

A. 14-16-6-6(J)(3)(a) As demonstrated in the policy analysis above, the request is not consistent with applicable Comprehensive Plan goals and policies.

B. 14-16-6-6(J)(3)(b) The subject site does not have a Site Plan established. This request (should it be approved) will establish the governing Site Plan.

C. 14-16-6-6(J)(3)(c) With the application of conditions of approval, the site plan will comply with all applicable provisions of the IDO, though the EPC would have to overlook applicable use-specific standard pursuant to IDO Subsection 14-16-4-3(D)(29) for self-storage for this requirement to be met. The request will need to be reviewed by the Development Review Board (DRB) to ensure compliance with applicable provisions of the Development Process Manual (DPM). As per the IDO, the EPC will determine whether any deviations from typical development standards are acceptable in this proposed Site Plan.

D. 14-16-6-6(J)(3)(d) If approved, the request will be reviewed by the Development Review Board (DRB), which is charged with addressing infrastructure and ensuring that infrastructure such as streets, trails, sidewalks, and drainage systems has sufficient capacity to serve a proposed development.

E. 14-16-6-6(J)(3)(e) Future development will be required to comply with the decisions made by two bodies- the EPC and the DRB. The EPCs’ conditions of approval will improve compliance with the IDO, which contains regulations to mitigate site plan impacts to surrounding areas. The DRB’s conditions will ensure infrastructure is adequately addressed so that a proposed development will not burden the surrounding area.

F. 14-16-6-6(J)(3)(f) The subject property is not within an approved Master Development Plan, IDO section 6-6(J)(3)(f) does not apply.

G. 14-16-6-6(J)(3)(g) The subject property is not within the Railroad and Spur Area, IDO section 6-6(J)(3)(g) does not apply.
13. The applicant has not adequately justified the request pursuant to the Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO) Section 14-16-6-7(G)(3)-Review and Decision Criteria for Zoning Map Amendments, as follows:

A. **Criterion A:** The applicant’s policy-based response does not adequately demonstrate that the request furthers a preponderance of applicable Goals and Policies. The request generally furthers some policies regarding Jobs-Housing Balance. However, these policies could be equally furthered by a zone map amendment to a less intense zone than the requested PD zone, and could be achieved with the current zone. The request conflicts with policies regarding Character, Identity and Design, and Areas of Consistency. Therefore, there are significant conflicts and the request does not further a preponderance of applicable Goals and policies.

B. **Criterion B:** Criterion B is a two-part test, which the request does not meet. The applicant has not adequately demonstrated that the proposed zone would clearly reinforce or strengthen the established character of the surrounding Area of Consistency. The PD zone and requested uses would permit future development that is significantly different from the area’s established neighborhood character. The proposed self-storage and light vehicle rental uses would not be permissive as presented in any MX zone, and become permissive in the generally more intense Non-Residential zone districts, and are neither characteristic nor compatible with the surrounding neighborhood. The applicant noted location near a major transit corridor and employment center; however, the subject site is not within the boundaries of either. Therefore, related policies do not apply and do not have bearing on this analysis.

The request does not meet Criterion 3 (more advantageous to the community) because the applicant has not adequately demonstrated that the request clearly reinforces applicable Goals and policies and does not conflict with them. Therefore, a different zone category would not be more advantageous to the community than the current zoning.

C. **Criterion C:** The subject site is located wholly in an Area of Consistency. Therefore, criterion C does not apply.

D. **Criterion D:** The applicant discusses the proposed development of a self-storage and light vehicle rental, however, the proposed self-storage and relevant use specific standards found in IDO subsection 4-3(D)(29) are not met, specifically the outdoor accessible storage units prohibited in the MX zone districts. An approximately 100,000 square foot storage facility, which overlooks use-specific standards is harmful to the surrounding area.

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E. **Criterion E:** The request appears to meet the requirement that the City’s existing infrastructure and public improvements adequately serve the subject site and have adequate capacity to serve the development made possible by the change of zone (requirement 1).

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G. **Criterion G:** The cost of land and economic considerations are usually a factor, but in this case the applicant’s justification relies on them completely. The applicant directly cites construction costs and market demands as the reasoning behind adding the proposed outdoor accessible self-storage use, which is not permitted in certain MX zones due to the use-specific standards. Development of this type is characteristic of development that is permissive in the NR-C zone.

H. **Criterion H:** The request would not create a zone district different from surrounding zone districts to one small area or one premises (i.e. create a "spot zone") or to a strip of land along a street (i.e. create a "strip zone").

14. The applicant’s policy analysis does not adequately demonstrate that the request clearly facilitates applicable Goals and policies in the Comprehensive Plan and does not significantly conflict with it (Criterion A). There are significant conflicts with Goals and policies regarding Land Use, Areas of Consistency, and Areas of Change. Based on this demonstration, the proposed zone category would not be more advantageous to the community than the current zoning.

15. Further, as noted above, Criterion B, D, F and G are not met.

16. The future desired uses, self-storage and light vehicle rental are permissive with a conditional use permit through the ZHE in the MX-L zone district. This step provides protections to the existing neighborhood and allows them to have a say in the development that happens in the neighborhood.

17. The proposed self-storage and relevant use specific standards found in IDO subsection 4-3(D)(29) are not met, specifically the outdoor accessible storage units prohibited in the MX zone districts.

18. This site plan was submitted pursuant to IDO Subsection 14-16-2-6(A)(3), eligibility for rezoning to PD. However, the zone change justification submitted by the applicant is insufficient, and staff is recommending denial of the requested PD zone. The request does not meet the definition of a PD zone and is not justified pursuant to the zone change criteria in IDO Subsection 14-16-6-7(G)(3). The site plan cannot be approved without the associated approval of the PD zone, therefore staff is also recommending denial for the Site Plan – EPC.

19. The affected neighborhood organizations are the South West Alliance of Neighborhoods, Westside Coalition of Neighborhood Associations, South Valley Coalition of Neighborhood Associations, Stinson Tower NA, and the Westgate Heights NA. They were all required to be notified, which the applicant did. Property owners within 100 feet of the subject site were also notified, as required.

20. As of this writing, Staff has not received any correspondence or phone calls and is unaware of any opposition.

DENIAL of Project #: 2019-003120, Case #: RZ-2022-00039, SI-2022-01513 a zone change from MX-T to PD, and associated Site Plan - EPC, for Tract A-1, Plat Of Tracts A-1 Thru A-6 Unser & Sage Marketplace, (being a replat of Tract A Unit 1-B Lands of Albuquerque South), an approximately 5.0 acre site comprising a portion of land between between Unser Blvd SW and Secret Valley Dr SW, along Sage Rd SW, based on the preceding Findings.

Sergio Lozoya
Current Planner

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**Project # PR-2019-003120 RZ-2022-00039 – Zoning Map Amendment (Zone Change) -- Where will the trash/recycle be disposed of?** A site plan approved for access by the Solid Waste Department will be required if the zone map amendment is approved.

FIRE DEPARTMENT/Planning

TRANSIT DEPARTMENT

COMMENTS FROM OTHER AGENCIES

BERNALILLO COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS/TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

BERNALILLO COUNTY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

ALBUQUERQUE METROPOLITAN ARROYO FLOOD CONTROL AUTHORITY

ALBUQUERQUE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

a. No comment.

ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO COUNTY WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY (ABCWUA)

1. No adverse comment to the zone change.
2. For information only:
   a. Statement #220825 covers this project and is currently being drafted. When issued, it will cover the conditions to receive service.

MID-REGION METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION – TRANSPORTATION

MID-REGION COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW MEXICO

PNM

It is the applicant’s obligation to determine if existing utility easements or rights-of-way are located on or adjacent to the property and to abide by any conditions or terms of those easements.

Any existing easements may have to be revisited and/or new easements may need to be created for any electric facilities as determined by PNM.

Any existing and/or new PNM easements and facilities need to be reflected on the Site Plan and any related Plat.
Typical electric utility easement widths vary depending on the type of facility. On-site transformers should have a ten-foot clear area around them to allow for access and maintenance.

Structures, especially those made of metal like storage buildings and canopies, should not be within or near PNM easements.

Perimeter and interior landscape design should abide by any easement restrictions and not impact PNM facilities. Any trees within or near PNM easements including any required Street Trees should comply with IDO Section 5-6(C)(10) as applicable.

The applicant should contact PNM’s New Service Delivery Department as soon as possible to coordinate electric service regarding any proposed project. Submit a service application at https://pnmnsd.powerclerk.com/MvcAccount/Login for PNM to review.

If existing electric lines or facilities need to be moved, then that is at the applicant’s expense. Please contact PNM as soon as possible at https://pnmnsd.powerclerk.com/MvcAccount/Login for PNM to review.
Figure 1: Looking southwest towards the subject site along Sage Rd SW.

Figure 2: Looking west down Sage Rd SW along the northern border of the subject site.
Figure 3: Looking south along the eastern portion of the subject site, which borders single-family residential dwellings.

Figure 4: Looking northwest from the southeast corner of the subject site, towards existing businesses.
Figure 5: Looking north towards Unser Blvd SW from the western border of the subject site.

Figure 6: Looking towards development to the north of the subject site.
HISTORY
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January 9, 2020

City of Albuquerque
Planning Department
Urban Design & Development
600 2nd St. NW, 3rd Floor
Albuquerque, NM 87102

Project #2019-003120
RZ-2019-00070 – Zone Map Amendment (Zone Change)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:
Consensus Planning, agent for Unser & Sage LLC, request the above action for all or a portion of Tracts A1 & A2 Plat of Tracts A-1 through A-6 of Unser & Sage Marketplace, Zoned MX-L to MX-T, located on Sage SW, between Unser & Sage Rd. SW, containing approximately 5.80 acres. (M-10) Staff Planner: Whitney Phelan

PO Box 1293

On January 9, 2020 the Environmental Planning Commission (EPC) voted to APPROVE Project 2019-003120/RZ-2019-00070, Zone Map Amendment from MX-L to MX-T based on the following Findings:

1. This is a request for a Zoning Map Amendment (Zone Change) for a site approximately 5.80-acres known as Tracts A-1 and A-2, Plat of Tracts A-1 through 6, Unser & Sage Marketplace. The subject site is located on the south side of Sage Rd SW, between Unser Blvd SW and Sage Rd SW. The site is currently vacant and contains two lots.

2. The Environmental Planning Commission (EPC) is hearing this case as a recommending body. Pursuant to Section 6-7(F)(1) of the Integrated Development Ordinance because the subject site is less than 10 gross acres and is located wholly or partially in an Area of Consistency as shown in the ABC Comprehensive Plan, as amended.

3. The subject site is zoned MX-L (Mixed-Use Low Intensity); the intention of the MX-L zone district is to provide for neighborhood-scale convenience shopping needs, primarily at the corners of Collector intersections. The applicant is requesting a zone change to MX-T (Mixed-Use Transition) in order to provide a transition between residential neighborhoods and more intense commercial areas.

4. The subject site is located within an Area of Consistency and along a Commuter Corridor as designated in the Comprehensive Plan. The subject site is not located within a Protection Overlay Zone.
5. There is MX-L and County designated residential zoning to the north of the site. Lots to the south and east of the subject site are zoned R-1A and developed with single-family dwellings. The property immediately adjacent to the west is zoned PD.

6. The Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Comprehensive Plan and the City of Albuquerque Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO) are incorporated herein by reference and made part of the record for all purposes.

7. The request generally furthers the following, applicable Comprehensive Plan Goals and policies in regards to Community Identity:

(a) POLICY 4.1.2: Identity and Design: Protect the identity and cohesiveness of neighborhoods by ensuring the appropriate scale and location of development, mix of uses, and character of building design.

The requested MX-T zoning would protect the identity and cohesiveness of the surrounding neighborhood. The purpose of the MX-T zoning district is to provide a transition between residential neighborhoods and more intense commercial areas. The current zoning, MX-L, is intended to provide for neighborhood-scale convenience shopping needs, primarily at the corners of collector intersections. This request would create a transition between higher intensity retail at the intersection corner and the residential lots to the south and east.

(b) POLICY 4.1.4- Neighborhoods: Enhance, protect, and preserve neighborhoods and traditional communities as key to our long-term health and vitality.

The request would allow a mix of uses that can serve as a transition between MX-L zoning to the north and County designated C-1 to the northwest of the residential neighborhood to the south of the subject site.

8. The request generally furthers the following, applicable Comprehensive Plan Goals and policies in regards to Land Use:

(a) GOAL 5.1- Centers & Corridors: Grow as a community of strong Centers connected by a multi-modal network of Corridors.

POLICY 5.1.1: Desired Growth: Capture regional growth in Centers and Corridors to help shape the built environment into a sustainable development pattern.

Commuter Corridors are intended for long-distance trips across town by automobile, including limited-access streets. These roads tend to be higher-speed and higher-traffic routes. Although the subject site is ripe for strip development, increasing retail uses along the corridor would decrease the utility of this corridor. MX-T allows multiple residential options as well as some commercial, like office and accessory retail uses, which generally require longer visits and would not generate as many vehicle trips as a retail or other more intense commercial uses. The requested zoning, MX-T, would support the type of development intended by the Comprehensive Plan for Commuter Corridors.
(b) GOAL 5.3- Efficient Development Patterns: Promote development patterns that maximize the utility of existing infrastructure and public facilities and the efficient use of land to support the public good.

POLICY 5.3.1- Infill Development: Support additional growth in areas with existing infrastructure and public facilities.

POLICY 5.3.2- Leapfrog Development: Discourage growth in areas without existing infrastructure and public facilities.

The request allows more residential uses than MX-L and will create an opportunity for transitions between the MX-L to the north and a buffer between Unser Blvd to the west and housing to the east of the subject site. Infrastructure has already been improved on the site, therefore is will not create growth in areas without existing infrastructure.

(c) GOAL 5.6- City Development Areas: Encourage and direct growth to Areas of Change where it is expected and desired and ensure that development in and near Areas of Consistency reinforces the character and intensity of the surrounding area.

POLICY 5.6.3- Areas of Consistency: Protect and enhance the character of existing single-family neighborhoods, areas, outside of Centers and Corridors, parks, and Major Public Open Space.

The subject site is located in an Area of Consistency, where the Comprehensive Plan intends and encourages support of zone changes in predominantly single-family residential neighborhoods that help align the appropriate zone with existing land uses. It seeks to ensure that development will reinforce the scale, intensity, and setbacks of the immediately surrounding context. In areas with predominantly single-family residential uses, the Comp Plan intends that zone changes be considered that help align the appropriate zone with existing land uses.

(d) POLICY 5.6.4- Appropriate Transitions: Provide transitions in Areas of Change for development abutting Areas of Consistency through adequate setbacks, buffering, and limits on building height and massing.

The request generally furthers Policy 5.6.4- Appropriate Transitions by creating a transition, MX-T, between MX-L zoned properties to the north of the subject site and R-1A zoned properties to the south. County zoned properties to the north are zoned for agricultural and residential uses as well.

9. The request partially furthers the following, applicable Comprehensive Plan Goals and policies in regards to Urban Design:

GOAL 7.3: Sense of Place: Reinforce sense of place through context-sensitive design and development streetscapes.

POLICY 7.3.4: Infill: Promote infill that enhances the built environment or blends in style and building materials with surrounding structures and the streetscape of the block in which it is located.
The request is for a zone change, which does not include building design or site planning. There is no way to evaluate future design at this stage, though the applicable IDO design standards (see 4.1.2-Identity and Design) would ensure higher quality design that would add to the existing community character.

10. The request generally furthers the following, applicable Comprehensive Plan Goals and policies in regards to Housing:

GOAL 9.2: Sustainable Design: Promote housing design that is sustainable and compatible with the natural built environment.

POLICY 9.2.1: Compatibility: Encourage housing development that enhances neighborhood character, maintains compatibility with surrounding land uses, and responds to its development context – i.e. urban, suburban, or rural – with appropriate densities, site design and relationship to the street.

The MX-T zone district allows more options for single-family residential development and duplexes. The design standards in the IDO would require that the new development match existing densities, scale, and setbacks as the surrounding single-family homes. The current MX-L zoning only allows townhomes and multi-family residential uses, which are not as closely aligned in density and scale as the existing single-family properties.

11. The applicant has adequately justified the request pursuant to the Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO) Section 6-7(F)(3)-Review and Decision Criteria for Zoning Map Amendments, as follows:

A. Criterion A: Consistency with the City’s health, safety, morals and general welfare is shown by demonstrating that a request furthers applicable Comprehensive Plan Goals and policies (and other plans if applicable) and does not significantly conflict with them. The applicant has not adequately demonstrated, in his policy-based response, that the request would be consistent with the City’s health, safety, morals and general welfare.

The request on conflicts with Subpolicy 5.2.1.k- Discourage zone changes to detached single-family residential uses on the West Side. However, the current development pattern to the east and south of the site (zoned R-1A) is single-family dwellings with extra-small lot sizes. The request from MX-L to MX-T zoning would allow for single-family dwellings of small lots sizes, duplexes, townhomes, apartments or a mix of all these uses to exist on the property. MX-T would also maintain many of the commercial and office uses allowed in MX-L, therefore allowing the site to be developed with both residential and commercial uses. The applicant has stated throughout the justification letter and at the neighborhood meeting that up to half of the site will be maintained for small-scale commercial uses permitted in MX-T. The change to MX-T would also allow the MX-L properties to the north of the site to develop as desired because the zoning would not trigger neighborhood edge provisions that the R-1 and R-T zoning districts would apply. The request furthers applicable Goals and Policies regarding Areas of Consistency, Commuter Corridors, Appropriate Transitions and Efficient Development Patterns.
B. **Criterion B:** The subject site is located wholly in an Area of Consistency. A zone change from MX-L to MX-T would permit development that would reinforce and strengthen the established character of the surrounding parcels. The applicant has sufficiently shown that the current zoning of MX-L is inappropriate because MX-T is more advantageous to the community as articulated by the ABC Comp Plan, as amended. The adjacent R-1A lots have been developed with Single-family dwellings and the request will allow similar development to occur on the currently vacant site, while still allowing small neighborhood-scale commercial development to occur as a transition between residential uses to the south and commercial uses to the north of the site. Although Policy 5.2.1.k discourages zone map amendments that encourage more single-family residential development on the westside, zone map amendments are not based on the intended use and the allowable uses in MX-T only differ slightly from the current zoning and meets policies related to Areas of Consistency and Appropriate Transitions.

C. **Criterion C:** The subject site is located wholly in an Area of Consistency, so this criterion does not apply.

D. **Criterion D:** The change in potential permissive uses from MX-L to MX-T create a predictable development pattern and decrease the bucket of potential uses in terms of commercial uses. Several uses, such as Car Wash, Light Vehicle Fueling and Light Vehicle Repair would no longer be permissive if the request is approved, which can sometimes be seen as nuisance uses by residential property owners. Additional permissive uses that would be allowed are dwelling, single-family and dwelling, duplex, both of which would match the surrounding context and not be harmful.

E. **Criterion E:** The City’s existing infrastructure and public improvements will have adequate capacity to serve the development made possible by the change of zone (Criterion 1) because the site already has adequate capacity to serve the development made possible by the change of zone.

F. **Criterion F:** The justification for the request is not based on the property’s location on a major street.

G. **Criterion G:** The request is not based primarily upon the cost of land or economic considerations. The request would allow the site to serve as a transition zone between the MX-L to the north and the R-1A to the east and south, while also maintaining the context and scale and the surrounding land uses.

H. **Criterion H:** The request would result in a spot zone by applying a zone district different from surrounding zone districts to one small area or one premises, however, the area of the zone change can function as a transition between adjacent zone districts (Criterion 1).

13. The applicant’s policy analysis adequately demonstrates that the request generally furthers a preponderance of applicable Goals and policies in the Comprehensive Plan and does not significantly conflict with it. Based on this demonstration, the proposed zone category would be more advantageous to the community than the current zoning.
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14. The affected neighborhood organizations are the Southwest Alliance of Neighborhoods, Westside Coalition of Neighborhood Associations, South Valley Coalition of Neighborhood Associations, Stinson Tower Neighborhood Association, and Westgate Heights Neighborhood Association. Property owners within 100 feet of the subject site were also notified as required.

15. As of this writing, Staff has received no letters in support or opposition of this request.

APPEAL: If you wish to appeal this decision, you must do so within 15 days of the EPC’s decision or by JANUARY 24, 2020 The date of the EPC’s decision is not included in the 15-day period for filing an appeal, and if the 15th day falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Holiday, the next working day is considered as the deadline for filing the appeal.

For more information regarding the appeal process, please refer to Section 14-16-6-4(U) of the IDO, Administration and Enforcement. A Non-Refundable filing fee will be calculated at the Land Development Coordination Counter and is required at the time the appeal is filed. It is not possible to appeal EPC Recommendations to City Council; rather, a formal protest of the EPC’s Recommendation can be filed within the 15 day period following the EPC’s recommendation.

You will receive notification if any person files an appeal. If there is no appeal, you can receive Building Permits at any time after the appeal deadline quoted above, provided all conditions imposed at the time of approval have been met. Successful applicants are reminded that other regulations of the City Zoning Code must be complied with, even after approval of the referenced application(s).

Sincerely,

[Signature]
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OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION OF DECISION

May 19, 2022

Todd Megrath – Mack ABQ I LLC
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Project #2019-003120
RZ-2022-00014 – Zoning Map Amendment
(Zone Change)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:
Consensus Planning, agent for Mack ABQ I LLC, requests a
Zoning Map Amendment from MX-T to NR-C for all or a
portion of Tract A-1 and Tract A-2, Plat of Tracts A-1 Thru
A-6, Unser & Sage Marketplace (being a replat of Tract A
Unit 1-B Lands of Albuquerque South), located on Sage Rd.
SW, between Unser Blvd. SW and Secret Valley Dr. SW,
approximately 6.0 acres (M-10-Z)
Staff Planner: Sergio Lozoya

On May 19, 2022, the Environmental Planning Commission (EPC) voted to Withdraw PR-2019-
003120/RZ-2022-00014, a Zoning Map Amendment (Zone Change).

Sincerely,

for Alan M. Varela,
Planning Director

AV/CL/SL

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EPC File
ZONING

Please refer to IDO Section 14-16-2-4(A) for the MX-T Zone District

Please refer to IDO Section 14-16-2-6(A) for the PD Zone District
APPLICANT INFORMATION
Please check the appropriate box and refer to supplemental forms for submittal requirements. All fees must be paid at the time of application.

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APPLICATION INFORMATION

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Phone: (505) 764-9801 Email: vos@consensusplanning.com
Proprietary Interest in Site: List all owners: Unser & Sage, LLC

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST

Zoning Map Amendment from MX-T to PD and an associated Site Plan for a self-storage facility.

SITE INFORMATION (Accuracy of the existing legal description is crucial! Attach a separate sheet if necessary.)

Lot or Tract No.: Tract A-1
Subdivision/Addition: Unser & Sage Marketplace
Zone Atlas Page(s): M-10
# of Existing Lots: 1
# of Proposed Lots: 1
Total Area of Site (acres): 4.7931 acres

LOCATION OF PROPERTY BY STREETS

Site Address/Street: 99999 Sage Road SW
Between: Unser Boulevard SW and: Secret Valley Drive SW

CASE HISTORY (List any current or prior project and case number(s) that may be relevant to your request.)

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Signature: James K. Skoziw, FAICP
Date: 8/4/22

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Case Numbers Action Fees Case Numbers Action Fees
Meeting/Hearing Date: Fee Total:
Staff Signature: Date: Project #
Form Z: Policy Decisions

Please refer to the EPC hearing schedule for public hearing dates and deadlines. Your attendance is required.

A single PDF file of the complete application including all plans and documents being submitted must be emailed to PLNDRS@cabq.gov prior to making a submittal. Zipped files or those over 9 MB cannot be delivered via email, in which case the PDF must be provided on a CD.

☑ INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR ALL POLICY DECISIONS (Except where noted)
☐ Interpreter Needed for Hearing?  No  if yes, indicate language: ____________________
☐ Proof of Pre-Application Meeting with City staff per IDO Section 14-16-6-4(B)
☐ Letter of authorization from the property owner if application is submitted by an agent
☑ Traffic Impact Study (TIS) form (not required for Amendment to IDO Text)
☑ Zone Atlas map with the entire site/plan amendment area clearly outlined and labeled (not required for Amendment to IDO Text) NOTE: For Annexation of Land, the Zone Atlas must show that the site is contiguous to City limits.

☐ ADOPTION OR AMENDMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
☐ ADOPTION OR AMENDMENT OF FACILITY PLAN
☐ Plan, or part of plan, to be amended with changes noted and marked
☐ Letter describing, explaining, and justifying the request per the criteria in IDO Sections 14-16-6-7(A)(3) or 14-16-6-7(B)(3), as applicable
☐ Required notices with content per IDO Section 14-16-6-4(K)(6)
☐ Office of Neighborhood Coordination notice inquiry response, notifying letter, and proof of first class mailing
☐ Buffer map and list of property owners within 100 feet (excluding public rights-of-way), notifying letter, and proof of first class mailing

☐ AMENDMENT TO IDO TEXT
☐ Section(s) of the Integrated Development Ordinance to be amended with changes noted and marked
☐ Justification letter describing, explaining, and justifying the request per the criteria in IDO Section 14-16-6-7(D)(3)
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☑ ZONING MAP AMENDMENT – EPC
☑ ZONING MAP AMENDMENT – COUNCIL
☑ Proof of Neighborhood Meeting per IDO Section 14-16-6-4(C)
☑ Letter describing, explaining, and justifying the request per the criteria in IDO Section 14-16-6-7(F)(3) or Section 14-16-6-7(G)(3), as applicable
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☐ Office of Neighborhood Coordination notice inquiry response, notifying letter, and proof of first class mailing
☑ Proof of emailed notice to affected Neighborhood Association representatives
☐ Buffer map and list of property owners within 100 feet (excluding public rights-of-way), notifying letter, and proof of first class mailing
☑ Sign Posting Agreement

☐ ANNEXATION OF LAND
☐ Application for Zoning Map Amendment Establishment of zoning must be applied for simultaneously with Annexation of Land.
☐ Petition for Annexation Form and necessary attachments
☐ Letter describing, explaining, and justifying the request per the criteria in IDO Section 14-16-6-7(E)(3)
☐ Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Notice of Decision

I, the applicant or agent, acknowledge that if any required information is not submitted with this application, the application will not be scheduled for a public meeting or hearing, if required, or otherwise processed until it is complete.

Signature: ________________________________ Date: 8/4/22
Printed Name: James K. Strozier, FAICP ☐ Applicant or ☑ Agent

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Staff Signature: ________________________________ Date: ________________________________

Effective 5/17/18
FORM P1: SITE PLAN – EPC

Please refer to the EPC hearing schedule for public hearing dates and deadlines. Your attendance is required.

☐ SITE PLAN – EPC

☐ MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN

☐ MAJOR AMENDMENT TO SITE PLAN – EPC OR MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN

☐ EXTENSION OF SITE PLAN – EPC OR MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN

☐ VARIANCE – EPC

In addition to the above requirements for the Site Plan – EPC or Master Development Plan the proposed variance requests related to, please describe, explain, and justify the variance per the criteria in IDO Section 14-16-6-N(3).

Note: Any variance request from IDO Standards in Sections 14-16-5-3 (Access and Connectivity), 14-16-5-4 (Subdivision of Land), 14-16-5-5 (Parking and Loading), or DPM standards shall only be granted by the DRB per IDO Section 14-16-6-6(L) See Form V.

Revised 2/15/22
March 3, 2022

Environmental Planning Commission
City of Albuquerque Planning Department
600 2nd Street NW
Albuquerque, NM 87102

RE: Request for a Zoning Map Amendment

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Please feel free to call Consensus Planning at (505) 764-9801 with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Todd Megrath
President, Mack ABQ I, LLC

CC: Property Owner
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Unser & Sage, LLC

CC: Todd and Brittany Megrath
    Mack ABQ I, LLC
PA#: 22-046 AMENDMENT (changes in red) Notes Provided (date): 3/08/22 update from 2-24-22

Site Address and/or Location: SAGE RD SW, ALBUQUERQUE NM 87121 - TR A-1 PLAT OF TRS A-1 THRU A-6
UNSER & SAGE MARKETPLACE

Pre-application notes are for informational purposes only and are non-binding. They do not constitute an approval of any kind. Additional research may be necessary to determine the exact type of process and/or application required. Factors unknown and/or thought of as minor at this time could become significant as a case progresses.

Request Zoning map amendment from MX-T to NR-C for the development of a self-storage facility on Tract A-1 and a drive-through restaurant ton Tract A-2

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Basic Site Information

- Current Use(s): Vacant
- Size (acreage): approximately 5.74
- Zoning: MX-T
- Overlay Zone(s): N/A

Comprehensive Plan Designations

- Development Area: Consistency
- Corridor(s): Unser Blvd Commuter
- Near Major Public Open Space (MPOS)?: N/A
- Center: N/A

Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO)

Please refer to the IDO for requirements regarding dimensional standards, parking, landscaping, walls, signage, etc. [https://www.cabq.gov/planning/codes-policies-regulations/integrated-development-ordinance](https://www.cabq.gov/planning/codes-policies-regulations/integrated-development-ordinance)

Proposed Use(s): Self-Storage, Restaurant with Drive-through Accessory Use
Use Specific Standards: 4-3(D)(29) Self-storage, 4-3(D)(8) Restaurant, 4-3(F)(4) Drive through

Applicable Definition(s): Self-storage
A use consisting of 3 or more individual, small, self-contained, fully enclosed units in building that are leased or owned for the storage of business and household goods or contractors' supplies. Storage areas provided for renters of residential dwellings on the same premises are not considered self-storage.

Restaurant
An establishment that serves food and beverages that are consumed on its premises by customers seated at tables and/or counters either inside or outside the building thereon and/or that may provide customers with take-out service of food and/or beverages for off-site consumption. Sale of alcoholic beverages is controlled by other provisions in this IDO and the New Mexico State statutes regarding alcoholic drink sales. See also Bar and Taproom or Tasting Room.

Drive-through or Drive-up Facility
Facilities associated with a primary use, including but not limited to banks, financial institutions, restaurants, dry cleaners, and drug stores, but not including car washes or light vehicle fueling, to offer goods and services directly to customers waiting in motor vehicles.

Sensitive Lands: Please see IDO Section 14-16-5-2 for information about required analysis, development standards, and changes to process that may result if this Section applies.

Notice
Neighborhood Meeting Offer Required? (see IDO Table 6-1-1). If yes, please refer to: [https://www.cabq.gov/planning/urban-design-development/neighborhood-meeting-requirement-in-the-integrated-development-ordinance](https://www.cabq.gov/planning/urban-design-development/neighborhood-meeting-requirement-in-the-integrated-development-ordinance)
**Process**

Decision Type(s) (see IDO Table 6-1-1):  **Zoning Map Amendment - EPC**

Specific Procedure(s)*: **6-7(G)**

*Please refer to specific procedures for relevant decision criteria required to be addressed.

Decision Making Body/ies: **EPC**  

Is this a PRT requirement? **Yes**

**Handouts Provided**

- Zoning Map Amendment
- Site Plan Amendments
- Site Plan - EPC
- Site Plan - DRB
- Site Plan - Admin
- Variance-ZHE
- Conditional Use
- Subdivision
- Site History/Research
- Transportation
- Hydrology
- Fire

If you have additional questions, please contact Staff at planningprt@cabq.gov or at (505) 924-3860. Please include the PA# with your inquiry.

**Additional Notes:**

- Associated Site Plan and Zone Change: Project # 1008203 Site Plan for Subdivision & PR-2019-003120 ZMA M-XL to MX-T

- For a Zoning Map Amendment from MX-T to NR-C, the applicant is **required to go to Zoning Map Amendment – EPC**. Tracts A-1 and A-2 are approximately 5.74 acres.

- For a proposed future development of a self-storage facility and a restaurant with a drive-through, the applicant will have to follow the Design Standards of the Unser & Sage Marketplace Site Plan for Subdivision (PR # 1008203).
  
  - The Unser & Sage Marketplace Site Plan for Subdivision and totals approximately 10 acres. **The Site Plan was originally intended for C-1 uses, neighborhood commercial.**

  - Changing the zoning from MX-T to NR-C will create a spot zone, with intensive uses compared to the surrounding area. A sound justification will be needed for recommended approval of this zone change.
City of Albuquerque
Planning Department
Development Review Services Division
Traffic Scoping Form (REV 12/2020)

Project Title: Unser & Sage ZMA
Building Permit #: ___________________________ Hydrology File #: ___________________________
Zone Atlas Page: M-10-Z DRB#: ___________ EPC#: ___________ Work Order#: ___________________________
Legal Description: Tracts A-1 and A-2, Unser and Sage Marketplace
City Address: 9999 Sage Rd SW

Applicant: MACK ABQ I, LLC (Agent: Consensus Planning, Inc.) Contact: Thomas Lampo
Address: 302 8th Street NW, Albuquerque, NM 87102
Phone#: 505-764-9801 Fax#: ___________________________ E-mail: lampo@consensusplanning.com

Development Information
Build out/Implementation Year: 2022 Current/Proposed Zoning: MX-T
Project Type: New: ✓ Change of Use: ✓ Same Use/Unchanged: ( ) Same Use/Increased Activity: ( )
Proposed Use (mark all that apply): Residential: ( ) Office: ✓ Retail: ( ) Mixed-Use: ✓
Describe development and Uses:
Zone map amendment for self storage facility (Tract A-1) and a drive-thru restaurant (Tract A-2)

Days and Hours of Operation (if known): N/A

Facility
Building Size (sq. ft.): N/A
Number of Residential Units: None
Number of Commercial Units: N/A

Traffic Considerations
Expected Number of Daily Visitors/Patrons (if known):* N/A
Expected Number of Employees (if known):* N/A
Expected Number of Delivery Trucks/Buses per Day (if known):* N/A
Trip Generations during PM/AM Peak Hour (if known):* N/A
Driveway(s) Located on: Street Name Unser Blvd SW and Sage Rd SW
Adjacent Roadway(s) Posted Speed: Street Name Sage Rd SW Posted Speed 35 MPH
Street Name Unser Blvd SW Posted Speed 40 MPH

* If these values are not known, assumptions will be made by City staff. Depending on the assumptions, a full TIS may be required
**Roadway Information (adjacent to site)**

Comprehensive Plan Corridor Designation/Functional Classification: Sage Rd SW - Major Collector; Unser Blvd SW - Principal Arterial
(arterial, collector, local, main street)

Comprehensive Plan Center Designation: None - West Route 66 Activity Center > 1000 ft
(urban center, employment center, activity center)

Jurisdiction of roadway (NMDOT, City, County): City


Adjacent Transit Service(s): Bus Route 54 Nearest Transit Stop(s): > 1000 ft (Arenal at Unser)

Is site within 660 feet of Premium Transit?: No

Current/Proposed Bicycle Infrastructure: Existing bike lane on Unser Blvd, none on Sage

Current/Proposed Sidewalk Infrastructure: Existing sidewalks along Unser Blvd and Sage (edge of property)

**Relevant Web-sites for Filling out Roadway Information:**

City GIS Information: [http://www.cabq.gov/gis/advanced-map-viewer](http://www.cabq.gov/gis/advanced-map-viewer)


**TIS Determination**

**Note:** Changes made to development proposals / assumptions, from the information provided above, will result in a new TIS determination.

Traffic Impact Study (TIS) Required: Yes [ ] No [✓] Borderline [ ]

Thresholds Met? Yes [ ] No [✓]

Mitigating Reasons for Not Requiring TIS: Previously Studied: [ ]

Notes: Traffic scoping will need reevaluation when the property is developed.

____________________  P.E.  3/8/2022

TRAFFIC ENGINEER  DATE
**Submittal**

The Scoping Form must be submitted as part of any building permit application, DRB application, or EPC application. See the Development Process Manual Chapter 7.4 for additional information.

Submit by email to the City Traffic Engineer mgrush@cabq.gov. Call 924-3362 for information.

**Site Plan/Traffic Scoping Checklist**

Site plan, building size in sq. ft. (show new, existing, remodel), to include the following items as applicable:

1. **Access** -- location and width of driveways
2. **Sidewalks** (Check DPM and IDO for sidewalk requirements. Also, Centers have wider sidewalk requirements.)
3. **Bike Lanes** (check for designated bike routes, long range bikeway system) (check MRCOG Bikeways and Trails in the 2040 MTP map)
4. Location of nearby multi-use trails, if applicable (check MRCOG Bikeways and Trails in the 2040 MTP map)
5. Location of nearby transit stops, transit stop amenities (eg. bench, shelter). Note if site is within 660 feet of premium transit.
6. Adjacent roadway(s) configuration (number of lanes, lane widths, turn bays, medians, etc.)
7. Distance from access point(s) to nearest adjacent driveways/intersections.
8. Note if site is within a Center and more specifically if it is within an Urban Center.
9. Note if site is adjacent to a Main Street.
10. Identify traffic volumes on adjacent roadway per MRCOG information. If site generates more than 100 vehicles per hour, identify v/c ratio on this form.
August 4, 2022 (Updated September 1, 2022)

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RE: Request for a Zoning Map Amendment with associated Site Plan - EPC

Dear Mr. Chairman:

On behalf of Mack ABQ I, LLC., Consensus Planning is submitting this request for approval of a Zoning Map Amendment – EPC and associated Site Plan – EPC. The purpose of this letter is to provide justification of the Applicant’s requests by responding to the decision criteria specified in Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO) Sections 14-16-6-7(G) and 6-6(J)(3), and to outline how this request supports and furthers the Comprehensive Plan's goals and policies. The proposed Site Plan is required to be reviewed by the Environmental Planning Commission (EPC), with dimensional standards, as applicable to the most similar use or district (MX-L), to be negotiated on a case-by-case basis. The subject property is located near the southeast corner Unser Boulevard SW and Sage Road SW (see Figure 1). The request consists of one lot, approximately 4.8 acres in size, and legally described as Tract A-1, Unser & Sage Marketplace.

This property is currently zoned MX-T, Mixed-Use Transition, and this request is to rezone the property to PD, Planned Development to allow construction of a new self-storage facility. The request meets the applicability criteria in the IDO section 14-16-6-7(G), so the request is subject to approval by the Environmental Planning Commission as a Zoning Map Amendment – EPC and does not require City Council approval.

Figure 1. Subject site (in red) and surrounding context.

PRINCIPALS
James K. Strozier, FAICP  
Christopher J. Green, PLA, ASLA, LEED AP  
Jacqueline Fishman, AICP
PROJECT SUMMARY
The Applicant requests a Zoning Map Amendment for the subject site located near the southeast corner Unser Boulevard SW and Sage Road SW. This property is currently zoned MX-T, Mixed-Use Transition, and the requested zone change is for PD, Planned Development. The goal of this zoning map amendment is to facilitate the development of the tract as a self-storage facility, as shown on the accompanying Site Plan, with a combination of interior and outdoor access storage units and truck rentals to provide a broad range of moving and storage services to the surrounding area.

SITE HISTORY
Based on a review of the subject site, Consensus Planning located the following case history for the 4.80-acre subject property:

- PR-2019-003120
  1. On January 9, 2020, the Environmental Planning Commission (EPC) voted to APPROVE Project 2019-003120/RZ-2019-00070, Zone Map Amendment from MX-L to MX-T.
  2. The zone change to MX-T was requested in order to develop the lots with small scale commercial uses and lower density residential development. This development was not pursued further, and the property owner is under contract to sell this property to the Applicant for the proposed commercial use.

- Project #1008203
  1. On April 8, 2010, the Environmental Planning Commission (EPC) voted to APPROVE Project #1008203 / 10EPC-40011, a site development plan for subdivision for all or a portion of Tract A Plat of Tracts A & B, Unit 1-B Lands of Albuquerque zoned C-1.
  2. This site development plan required an approved infrastructure list that included improvements to both Sage Road and Unser Boulevard. The required improvements that included sidewalks, curb/gutter, and deceleration lanes were completed.

Prior to adoption of the IDO, the zoning found on the subject property was C-1: Neighborhood Commercial. The zone change approved in 2020 down-zoned the site from MX-L to MX-T to allow for a small scale mixed-use commercial and residential development, which never came to fruition.

SITE VISION
The subject property is in the Southwest Mesa, a relatively diverse area of Albuquerque that contains a mix of single-family and multi-family residential, offices, and smaller commercial offerings. However, the Southwest Mesa currently has an imbalance of jobs to households, and a limited capacity for vehicular crossings at the river. Both issues are identified as challenges to achieving the vision of the ABC Comprehensive Plan, and are targeted by Policies 5.2.1 and 5.4.2, among others, which specifically discourage expansion of residential uses, while simultaneously encouraging an expansion of commercial uses west of the river. More intense commercial uses are located along the Central Avenue corridor to the north of the subject property, and additional commercially zoned property is located west of the site, near the intersection of 98th Street SW and Sage Road SW. Retail and commercial
services which currently exist within the Unser and Sage Marketplace, include Kidz Academy, a preschool, as well as a drive-through restaurant/coffeeshop, the Human Bean, and a Family Dollar. This request, if approved, will allow for an appropriate scale of development of commercial and retail services on one of the two remaining parcels within the Unser and Sage Marketplace, which is a natural progression for the site, a worthy infill project and a needed service.

The Applicant is making this request to construct a self-storage facility on the subject site. This is a low-traffic and low-impact commercial service use that has support from neighbors. Ancillary to the storage, truck rentals are also a proposed component that will provide a more complete suite of storage and moving options to the surrounding neighborhoods. This use, as considered by the Applicant, requires the requested change to PD zoning due to how the IDO regulates self-storage facilities through the use-specific standards, requiring self-storage within any Mixed-use zone district to have access to all individual units from an interior corridor. This may be practical on smaller lots and in more urban locations with taller buildings, but it is not feasible to completely develop the subject property in this manner. This site is an “L” shape with minimal frontage on Sage Road and a large part of the lot located and hidden behind the Family Dollar and Kidz Academy buildings. Further, the IDO’s Neighborhood Edge restrictions, limit building heights on the majority of this property to thirty feet or 2-stories. With these height limits, construction costs, and the market demands in this area, the proposed self-storage facility will include a primary indoor climate-controlled building with interior access on the eastern side of the site with the Sage Road frontage with additional direct access, non-climate-controlled units located to the rear of the site behind the existing and proposed buildings.

Figure 2. Rear portion of the subject site facing east where self-storage is proposed.
PLANNING CONTEXT
The subject property is located within an “Area of Consistency,” as designated by the Comprehensive Plan, and is along Sage Road SW, a major collector, and Unser Boulevard SW, a principal arterial, and a designated Commuter Corridor. The subject property is not within an Activity, Employment, Urban, or Village Center, nor are they within a Premium Transit Area, Major Transit Corridor Area, or Main Street Area. The Arenal/86th/Benavides Major Transit Corridor is approximately one thousand feet south of the subject property, while the Coors Boulevard and Central Avenue Major Transit Corridors are east and north of the subject property, respectively.

The subject property is within the Southwest Mesa Community Planning Area, as defined within the Comprehensive Plan, and which began an assessment cycle in March 2021.

LAND USE AND ZONING
The subject site is designated as an Area of Consistency in the 2017 Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Comprehensive Plan (ABC Comp Plan). Areas of low-density residential, including some that are vacant, are found to the north, south, and east of the subject property, and are zoned R-1A and A-1 (County). To the west a vacant tract is zoned PD, which is next to a religious institution zoned R-1A. North and west of the subject property is commercial retail and commercial services zoned MX-L and C-1 (County). Several other tracts in the surrounding area are also zoned PD (Planned Development).

Of the five tracts within the Unser & Sage Marketplace, three have are with commercial service or retail uses, including a drive-through restaurant (Human Bean), preschool (Kidz Academy), and retail store (Family Dollar). The requested change is consistent with other commercial properties in the vicinity and support needed services for the surrounding neighborhood.

Figure 3. Zoning
TABLE 1. Surrounding Zoning & Land Use

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NEIGHBORHOOD COORDINATION
Consensus Planning sent the required notifications to the following Neighborhood Coalitions and Associations:

- South West Alliance of Neighborhoods (SWAN Coalition)
- Stinson Tower Neighborhood Association
- Westgate Heights Neighborhood Association

There was a previous application for a Zone Map Amendment to NR-C on March 10, 2022 and a hearing was held before the EPC on April 21, 2022. At this meeting, the applicant responded to concerns from Planning staff and the EPC about the NR-C zone and potential harmful uses within that zone. At that time, the option of coming back with a new application for PD and a site plan for the storage project was discussed. Based on this discussion the applicant withdrew the request and is submitting this new application for PD and a site plan.

For the previous application, a pre-application notification was sent on February 8, 2022, and no meeting was requested. Following submittal of the application, the Applicant met with Board members from the Stinson Tower Neighborhood Association on April 13th to discuss the proposed self-storage project. The
Association submitted a letter of support to the EPC via email at the 48-hour deadline for the April 21, 2022 EPC hearing (see attached).

The applicant sent a new pre-application notification for this current request on July 14, 2022 and no meeting was requested. The neighborhood continues to support the low impact nature of a self-storage project in this location.

ELIGIBILITY FOR REZONING TO PLANNED DEVELOPMENT
The purpose of the PD zone district is to accommodate small- and medium-scale innovative projects that cannot be accommodated through the use of other zone districts and include standards that would not otherwise be required of the Applicant in order to provide public benefits. These requests are negotiated on a case-by-case basis and implemented through the concurrent approval of a Site Plan – EPC, which the Applicant has provided alongside their Zoning Map Amendment application. IDO Section 2-6(A)(3) outlines the eligibility criteria for the PD zone district. As explained below, this request complies with those criteria for consideration of the PD zone district.

2-6(A)(3)(a) A PD zone district must contain at least 2 but less than 20 contiguous acres of land.

*Applicant response:* The proposed site is approximately 4.8 acres, which meets the size threshold for PD zone districts.

2-6(A)(3)(b) A Site Plan – EPC that specifies uses, site standards, and development standards shall be reviewed and decided in conjunction with the review and decision of the zone change request pursuant to Subsection 14-16-6-7(G) (Zoning Map Amendment – EPC) or Subsection 14-16-6-7(H) (Zoning Map Amendment – Council), as applicable.

*Applicant response:* A Site Plan – EPC for the proposed self-storage facility and truck rentals has been submitted for review and approval in conjunction with the Zoning Map Amendment – EPC. This site plan depicts the proposed development, which includes both indoor and outdoor-accessed storage units to be consistent with the adjacent MX-L zoning with the exception of the Use-specific standard for access to individual storage units. The plan includes a reduction in standard requirements for designated off-street parking, appropriate for the combination of storage uses, as well as low building heights and an increased landscape buffer between storage buildings and the R-1A neighborhoods to the south and east.

2-6(A)(3)(c) A PD zone district will not be accepted or approved for any proposed development that could be achieved in substantially the same form through the use of one or more zone districts and/or Overlay zones.

*Applicant response:* Based on the staff’s review of the previous application for NR-C (the first zone district where the proposed self-storage use with outdoor access is permissive), the neighborhood associations support for self-storage, and the discussion at the April EPC hearing, the PD zone and associated Site Plan is the only viable mechanism to allow the proposed use on this property. While Unser Boulevard is a major thoroughfare and designated Commuter Corridor, the only zone districts in the more than two-mile stretch between Bridge Boulevard and Blake Road are residential; MX-T and MX-L; and PD. This lack of variety of zoning, with few moderate intensity use allowances, makes it difficult to
provide needed commercial services to a significant area and population. There are no Overlay zones available or application in the Southwest Mesa area. Based upon this, the proposed self-storage facility and associated truck rentals and site design cannot be achieved using available zone districts.

INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE JUSTIFICATION CRITERIA - ZONE MAP AMENDMENT

The following explanation summarizes how the request for a Zoning Map Amendment meets the IDO criteria pursuant to IDO Section 14-16-6-7(G) Zoning Map Amendment – EPC.

6-7(G)(3) An application for a Zoning Map Amendment shall be approved if it meets all of the following criteria:

6-7(G)(3)(a): The proposed zone change is consistent with the health, safety, and general welfare of the City as shown by furthering (and not being in conflict with) a preponderance of applicable Goals and Policies in the ABC Comp Plan, as amended, and other applicable plans adopted by the City.

Applicant response: The proposed zone change is consistent with the health, safety, and general welfare of the City as shown by furthering (and not being in conflict with) a preponderance of applicable Goals and Policies in the ABC Comprehensive Plan, as amended, and other applicable plans adopted by the City. Please refer to the in-depth analysis of the applicable Goals and Policies below.

ALBUQUERQUE/BERNALILLO COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

The subject site is within the Southwest Mesa Community Planning Area, which is referred to as an emerging community, and is designated as an Area of Consistency in the 2017 Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Comprehensive Plan (ABC Comp Plan).

Approval of the requested zone change is more advantageous to the community as articulated by, and clearly facilitates realization of, the ABC Comp Plan. The following is an analysis of the applicable ABC Comp Plan goals and policies.

Goal 5.1 Centers & Corridors: Grow as a community of strong Centers connected by a multi-modal network of Corridors.

Applicant Response: The request furthers this goal and its policies and sub-policies because it will allow for new growth and development of an underutilized site connected by a multi-modal network of corridors. The subject property is located off Unser Boulevard, which is a designated Commuter Corridor, and is directly north of The Arenal/86th/Benavides Major Transit Corridor. The Tower Employment Center is east of the site, and the Central Avenue Major Transit Corridor and West Route 66 Activity Center are north of the subject property. Primary access to the subject property is through Unser Boulevard, which contains several pedestrian connections, as well as bike lanes and a dedicated bike path. A bike lane has been proposed for Sage Road.

Policy 5.1.1 Desired Growth, Sub-Policy c): Encourage employment density, compact development, redevelopment, and infill in Centers and
Corridors as the most appropriate areas to accommodate growth over time and discourage the need for development at the urban edge.

*Applicant Response:* The development of the subject property furthers this sub-policy by encouraging an increase in employment density, redevelopment of existing underutilized property, and infill of vacant property near an Employment Center and off a Commuter Corridor. The zone change will support the development of commercial retail and commercial services.

At present, Tract A-1 is severely underutilized, and the redevelopment of this lot to PD for self-storage and truck rentals will complement the surrounding property, which contain MX-L permissive and conditional uses. The development of this property may spur additional development on the adjacent vacant parcels, adding opportunities for new businesses that support the surrounding residential population.

**Policy 5.1.12 Commuter Corridors:** Allow auto-oriented development along Commuter Corridors that are higher-speed and higher-traffic volume routes for people going across town, often as limited-access roadways.

*Applicant Response:* The request helps further this policy by allowing auto-oriented development to occur near the intersection of two high-traffic volume routes. Before 2020, the average daily traffic count on Unser Boulevard was above 20,000 vehicles, and the proposed use is well suited along such a heavily traveled corridor. The existing infrastructure and designated access points were previously approved and constructed, which will support the proposed uses.

**Goal 5.2 Complete Communities:** Foster communities where residents can live, work, learn, shop, and play together.

*Applicant Response:* This zone change request facilitates this goal because it will allow the development of the subject property to include additional retail and commercial services, which are in-demand. At present, there is an imbalance in the jobs-housing balance in the Southwest Mesa, with a lack of commercial uses to serve the growing population.

**Policy 5.2.1: Land Uses:** Create healthy, sustainable, and distinct communities with a mix of uses that are conveniently accessible from surrounding neighborhoods.

*Applicant Response:* This zone change request supports this policy because it will bring additional uses to the subject property that are conveniently accessible for the Southwest Mesa community via automobile, walking, bicycle, and public transportation options.

*Sub-policy h) Encourage infill development that adds complementary uses and is compatible in form and scale to the immediately surrounding development.*

*Applicant Response:* This request furthers this sub-policy by facilitating infill development of the property with the proposed self-storage facility, which will be compatible with the surrounding development that includes a drive-through restaurant, and commercial service uses. The proposed lower building heights of the structures and increased landscape buffer on the edges near single-family homes creates additional compatibility with the form and scale of the immediately surrounding area.
Sub-policy k) Discourage zone changes to detached single-family residential uses on the West Side.

*Applicant Response:* This request furthers this sub-policy, as this commercial zone change would eliminate the option for single-family residential on a site on the West Side.

Sub-policy n) Encourage more productive use of vacant lots and under-utilized lots, including surface parking.

*Applicant Response:* This request furthers this sub-policy, as this commercial zone change would facilitate a productive use of lots which have remained vacant since annexation.

**Goal 5.3 – Efficient Development Patterns:** Promote infill development patterns that maximize the utility of existing infrastructure and public facilities and the efficient use of land to support the public good.

*Applicant Response:* The requested zone change will further this goal by promoting development on infill sites in an area which is already relatively developed. The development will support the efficient use of land by allowing the development of a project that is similar in scope and function to those on surrounding parcels. Streets, utilities, water, and sewer are currently installed and will be utilized with the future development of this parcel made possible by a zone change to PD. The zone change will support the public good by providing employment opportunities and commercial services via the proposed developments.

**Policy 5.3.1 – Infill Development:** Support additional growth in areas with existing infrastructure and public facilities.

*Applicant Response:* The requested zone change furthers this policy by providing the appropriate zoning designation to develop this infill site. As an infill location in a developed area, existing infrastructure is available to support new development. Public facilities include City of Albuquerque drainage facilities (and associated storm drains) located to the south of the subject property, as well as improved streets, water, and sewer services.

**Goal 5.4 Jobs-Housing Balance:** Balance jobs and housing by encouraging residential growth near employment across the region and prioritizing job growth west of the Rio Grande.

*Applicant Response:* This zone change request supports the balancing of jobs and housing by prioritizing job growth and needed services west of the Rio Grande.

**Policy 5.4.2: Foster employment opportunities on the West Side.**

*Applicant Response:* This zone change request furthers Policy 5.4.2 by allowing for development which will create jobs west of the river. The zone map amendment will facilitate commercial development of a parcel which has remained vacant since annexation, in the City’s Southwest Mesa, which in turn assists in improving the jobs-housing balance west of the Rio Grande.

**Policy 7.5.1 Landscape Design:** Encourage landscape treatments that are consistent with the high desert climate to enhance our sense of place.
Applicant Response: The proposed plant palette is predominately comprised of low to medium water use plant materials. The landscape plan meets or exceeds the IDO requirements for minimum landscape area, vegetative cover, and street trees. The Applicant has included a wider landscaped edge buffer on the south and east sides of the site that helps maintain compatibility with the neighboring residential areas and also helps control stormwater runoff, consistent with our high desert landscape and enhancing the sense of place for the subject property and surrounding area, thus furthering this policy.

6-7(G)(3)(b): If the subject property is located partially or completely in an Area of Consistency (as shown in the ABC Comp Plan, as amended), the applicant has demonstrated that the new zone would clearly reinforce or strengthen the established character of the surrounding Area of Consistency and would not permit development that is significantly different from that character.

The applicant must also demonstrate that the existing zoning is inappropriate because it meets any of the following criteria:

1. There was typographical or clerical error when the existing zone district was applied to the property.
2. There has been a significant change in neighborhood or community conditions affecting the site.
3. A different zone district is more advantageous to the community as articulated by the ABC Comp Plan, as amended (including implementation of patterns of land use, development density and intensity, and connectivity), and other applicable adopted City plan(s).

Applicant response: Criteria 3 is met for this application. The existing zoning is not appropriate for this site because a different zone district is more advantageous to the community as articulated by the ABC Comp Plan.

The subject site is located wholly in an Area of Consistency. However, the requested change to PD, and the commercial development, which is facilitated as a result, will clearly reinforce the established character of the surrounding area, which includes a drive-through restaurant, a pre-school, and a retail outlet. Further, there are additional commercial uses and PD zoning located on similarly situated sites to the west of the intersection of Unser Boulevard and Sage Road, to the north along Unser, farther east on Sage, and to the southwest at 98th Street and Gibson Boulevard. It is evident throughout Albuquerque that the requested zoning is appropriate along major corridors and near significant intersections such as the case of the subject site, which is along a designated Commuter Corridor and an arterial roadway.

The existing zoning for the subject site does not allow for the desired retail and commercial services use of the property, and development with this use is clearly more advantageous to the community as articulated by the ABC Comp Plan, as described in detail earlier in this letter.

Changing the zoning from MX-T to PD furthers the applicable ABC Comp Plan policies described in this letter. The site is located along a Commuter Corridor,
and is near a Major Transit Corridor, as well as a designated Employment Center, which are all critical considerations relative to these policies.

The proposed zoning will allow development that serves the surrounding and overall Southwest Mesa neighborhood by providing a needed service of self-storage and truck rentals. This zoning suits the property designation as an Area of Consistency, and it is well served by existing infrastructure.

6-7(G)(3)(c): If the subject property is located wholly in an Area of Change (as shown in the ABC Comp Plan, as amended) and the applicant has demonstrated that the existing zoning is inappropriate because it meets any of the following criteria:

1. There was typographical or clerical error when the existing zone district was applied to the property.
2. There has been a significant change in neighborhood or community conditions affecting the site that justifies this request.
3. A different zone district is more advantageous to the community as articulated by the ABC Comp Plan, as amended (including implementation of patterns of land use, development density and intensity, and connectivity), and other applicable adopted City plan(s).

*Applicant response:* The subject site is located wholly in an Area of Consistency, so this criterion does not apply.

6-7(G)(3)(d): The requested zoning does not include permissive uses that would be harmful to adjacent property, the neighborhood, or the community, unless the Use-specific Standards in Section 16-16-4-3 associated with that use will adequately mitigate those harmful impacts.

*Applicant response:* The requested zoning of PD does not allow permissive uses that would be harmful to the adjacent property, neighborhood, or community, as it will be specifically tailored to a self-storage project with associated truck rentals and landscaping, access and circulation, buffering, and parking as shown on the attached Site Plan. The neighborhood is supportive of the self-storage use due to its limited traffic, low height, and buffering as defined by the Site Plan.

6-7(G)(3)(e): The City’s existing infrastructure and public improvements, including but not limited to its street, trail, and sidewalk systems, meet any of the following criteria:

1. Have adequate capacity to serve the development made possible by the change of zone.
2. Will have adequate capacity based on improvements for which the City has already approved and budgeted capital funds during the next calendar year.
3. Will have adequate capacity when the applicant fulfills its obligations under the IDO, the DPM, and/or an Infrastructure Improvements Agreement (IIA).
4. Will have adequate capacity when the City and the applicant have fulfilled their respective obligations under a City approved Development Agreement between the City and the applicant.

*Applicant Response:* The subject property will be adequately served by the existing City infrastructure immediately adjacent to the property and in the surrounding area. This infrastructure includes roadways, water, sewer, and storm drain facilities in the Southwest Mesa neighborhood that can serve the project. These infrastructure improvements were constructed by the property owner and will finally be utilized to provide needed services.

6-7(G)(3)(f): The applicant’s justification for the Zoning Map Amendment is not completely based on the property’s location on a major street.

*Applicant response:* The justification for this Zoning Map Amendment is not based on the property’s location on a major street but the request being more advantageous to the community as articulated by the Comprehensive Plan.

6-7(G)(3)(g): The applicant’s justification is not based completely or predominantly on the cost of land or economic considerations.

*Applicant response:* The justification for this Zoning Map Amendment does not rely on the cost of land or economic considerations. However, taking advantage of investment in the infrastructure needed to serve this property, which is a vacant lot, helps support the economic vitality of the neighborhood and will be a positive step for the neighborhood and community overall.

6-7(G)(3)(h): The Zoning Map Amendment does not apply a zone district different from surrounding zone districts to one small area or one premises (i.e. create a “spot zone”) or to a strip of land along a street (i.e. create a “strip zone”) unless the requested zoning will clearly facilitate implementation of the ABC Comp Plan, as amended, and at least one of the following applies:

1. The subject property is different from surrounding land because it can function as a transition between adjacent zone districts.
2. The subject property is not suitable for the uses allowed in any adjacent zone district due to topography, traffic, or special adverse land uses nearby.
3. The nature of structures already on the subject property makes it unsuitable for the uses allowed in any adjacent zone district.

*Applicant response:* This request does not create a spot zone. The Southwest Mesa, in particular has many properties zoned PD, including Planned Development sites immediately across Unser Boulevard to the west. Additional PD zoning is to the north across Sage Road along the east side of Unser, as well as to the east at Sage Road and 75th Street.

Although not a spot zone, the Applicant also believes it is a critical consideration that the requested zoning with building height, configuration, and expanded buffering as defined on the attached Site Plan, which is even more restrictive and in compliance with the requirements of the IDO provides a significant transition.
between the remaining MX-L zoning of the Unser & Sage Marketplace and the low density single-family residential neighborhoods to the south and east.

SITE PLAN JUSTIFICATION
Accompanying this zone change request is a Site Plan – EPC that defines the uses and development standards for the proposed development. The use is primarily a self-storage facility with a combination of units accessed through indoor corridors inside a climate-controlled building and outdoor access units toward the rear of the site. In association with the storage use, truck rental is proposed to create a complete moving and storage option for residents of the greater Southwest Mesa area. As described below, the request is justified in accordance with the criteria set forth in IDO Section 6-6(J)(3).

INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE JUSTIFICATION CRITERIA - SITE PLAN
The following explanation summarizes how the Site Plan meets the IDO criteria pursuant to IDO Section 6-6(J)(3) Site Plan – EPC

6-6(J)(3)(a) The Site Plan is consistent with the ABC Comp Plan, as amended.

*Applicant response:* The Site Plan is consistent with the ABC Comprehensive Plan, as described in the preceding section of this letter.

6-6(J)(3)(b) The Site Plan is consistent with any applicable terms and conditions in any previously approved NR-SU or PD zoning covering the subject property and any related development agreements and/or regulations.

*Applicant response:* The Site Plan is consistent with the PD zoning concurrently being requested within this letter. The site is not covered by a previously approved NR-SU or PD zone.

6-6(J)(3)(c) The Site Plan complies with all applicable provisions of this IDO, the DPM, other adopted City regulations, and any terms and conditions specifically applied to development of the property in a prior permit or approval affecting the property.

*Applicant response:* The PD zone does not include typical dimensional standards that are contained in commercial zones. The PD zone is intended to allow for a development that cannot be accommodated through the use of other base zone districts. PD zones are intended to “be reviewed on a case-by-case basis to reflect a negotiated agreement for uses and standards with the Applicant.” The district most similar to this use and the adjacent commercial context is MX-L, which allows a maximum building height of 38 feet. The Applicant is proposing that the tallest building on site will have a height of 28 feet. To this end, the Applicant is willing as a condition of approval to include a note limiting the building height of the property to a maximum of 30 feet in its entirety. This is consistent with the existing MX-T zoning and the IDO Neighborhood Edge stepdown requirements, which otherwise would only apply to approximately half of the property. This condition may prevent future amendments to the Site Plan
from increasing the heights from what is currently shown beyond the existing zoning limitations.

Regarding landscaped edge buffers, the proposed site plan provides the minimum 15-foot buffer along the eastern edge where the drive aisle circulates around the primary indoor storage building. Where the smaller storage buildings are adjacent to the neighboring single-family residential there is a 25- to 35-foot buffer area that is planted with a significant number of trees to screen the use from the neighbors. A note requiring a minimum 25-foot landscape buffer (10 feet more than the minimum) in these areas where the buildings are not separated by a drive aisle is proposed by the Applicant.

Six designated off-street parking spaces are located near the site entrance from Sage Road. Vehicle use and patterns at modern self-storage facilities, due to their unique use and operations, are minimal as demonstrated by thousands of self-storage facilities across the country. Allocating appropriate numbers of spaces reduces the need for creating unused spaces, minimizing impacts on the environment.

While the term "parking" is generally used as a catch-all in planning, at self-storage facilities the use of vehicles is better divided into two categories: parking spaces and loading spaces. Parking spaces are where an employee, customer, or service provider will park their vehicle and leave it unattended for an extended period of time. This would include an employee who is working at the facility all day, a customer who is in the office or using the restroom, or a consultant or service person working at the facility. With the exception of a full-time employee, these visits are infrequent and brief, typically less than 20 minutes. As people are more accustomed to using the internet or their phones to rent storage space or to make payments, visits to the office by customers has been declining.

Loading spaces are where a customer will load and unload items between their vehicle and their storage unit. Where a storage unit opens directly onto a drive aisle, customers will pull their vehicle to the side of the drive aisle directly in front of their storage unit. The width of the drive aisles depicted on the Site Plan are wide enough to allow other vehicles to pass per DPM standards. In the unlikely occurrence of two cars needing to access nearby units at the same time, customers typically will self-policing and arrange their vehicles to allow other vehicles to pass. And because the customer is present, the vehicle can get moved should an emergency arise. Where customers have a unit inside a building with hallways, there is more distance between the vehicle and the unit, however the vehicle is not unattended.

Based on the facility size and configuration, the Applicant firmly believes having six vehicle spaces adjacent to the office will be sufficient to accommodate the anticipated vehicle needs at this location. Additionally, all the drive aisles are of sufficient width to allow customers and other users to safely access the units while maintaining access for emergency vehicles.

Beyond these standards, the Site Plan complies with applicable provisions of the IDO and the DPM pertaining to buffering, landscape, access, connectivity and
pedestrian crossings, façade treatment, setbacks, and signage. There are no terms and conditions from a prior permit or approval affecting the property.

6-6(J)(3)(d) The City's existing infrastructure and public improvements, including but not limited to its street, trail, drainage, and sidewalk systems, have adequate capacity to serve the proposed development, and any burdens on those systems have been mitigated to the maximum extent practicable.

Applicant response: The City's existing infrastructure has adequate capacity to support the proposed development. The proposed development includes the installation of a 6-foot-wide sidewalk along Sage Road. Currently, the sidewalk along Sage Road ends west of the entrance to Family Dollar.

6-6(J)(3)(e) The application mitigates any significant adverse impacts on the project site and the surrounding area to the maximum extent practicable.

Applicant response: The proposed use will not have significant adverse impacts on the surrounding area. Any impacts to surrounding properties will be mitigated to the maximum extent practicable through the following:

- The project incorporates a total minimum separation of 25 to 40 feet between the proposed buildings on the subject site and the residential uses to the east and south with 15 to 35 feet of landscaping.
- The proposed Site Plan incorporates a 6-foot-tall vinyl coated fence between structures along the east and south sides of the Subject Property.
- The proposed self-storage facility will be gated.

6-6(J)(3)(f) If the subject property is within an approved Master Development Plan, the Site Plan meets any relevant standards in the Master Development Plan in addition to any standards applicable in the zone district the subject property is in.

Applicant response: The subject property is not governed by a Master Development Plan, so this criterion does not apply.

6-6(J)(3)(g) If a cumulative impact analysis is required in the Railroad and Spur Small Area pursuant to Subsections 14-16-5-2(F) (Cumulative Impacts) and 14-16-6-4(H) (Cumulative Impacts Analysis Requirements), the Site Plan incorporates mitigation for all identified cumulative impacts. The proposed development will not create material adverse impacts on water quality or other land in the surrounding area through increases in traffic congestion, parking congestion, noise, vibration, light spillover, or other nuisances without sufficient mitigation or civic or environmental benefits that outweigh the expected impacts.

Applicant response: This requirement does not apply.
CONCLUSION
On behalf of Mack ABQ I, LLC., based on the comprehensive justification in this letter and application, neighborhood support, and proposed specific use, we respectfully request the Environmental Planning Commission's approval of this Zoning Map Amendment for Planned Development and the accompanying Site Plan.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
James K. Strozier, FAICP
Principal
STAFF INFORMATION
August 25, 2022

TO: Consensus Planning

FROM: Sergio Lozoya, Current Planner
City of Albuquerque Planning Department

TEL: (505) 924-3349


I’ve completed a first review of the proposed zoning map amendment (zone change). I would like to discuss the request and have a few questions. I am available to answer questions about the process and requirements. Please provide the following:

⇒ A revised zone change justification letter pursuant to the zone change criteria (one copy) by:

**12 pm on Tuesday, August 30, 2022.**

Note: If you have difficulty with this deadline, please let me know.

1) **Introduction:**

A. Though I’ve done my best for this review, additional items may arise as the case progresses. If so, I will inform you immediately.

B. This is what I have for the legal description: Tract A-1 Plat Of Tracts A-1 Thru A-6 Unser & Sage Marketplace, is this correct?

C. It is my understanding that this request is for a Zone Map Amendment from MX-T to PD, with associated Site Plan.

2) **Process:**

A. Information regarding the EPC process, including the calendar and current Staff reports, can be found at:


B. Timelines and EPC calendar: the EPC public hearing for September 15. Final staff reports will be available one week prior, on September 8th.

C. Note that, if a zone change request is denied, you cannot reapply again for one year, for the same zone request.

D. Agency comments will be distributed as staff receives them. I will email you a copy of the comments.

3) **Notification & Neighborhood Issues:**

*Notification requirements for a zone change are explained in Section 14-16-6-4(K), Public Notice (IDO, p. 378). The required notification consists of: i) an emailed letter to neighborhood*
representatives indicated by the ONC, and ii) a mailed letter (first-class) to property owners within 100 feet of the subject site.

A. It appears that notification offering the pre-application facilitated meeting is complete.

B. It looks like a pre-application facilitated meeting was not requested. Is that correct? Did anyone respond and say “no thanks”?

D. The notification to property owners also appears complete. Thank you for providing photos of the certified mail receipts and a list of the neighbors within a 100’ buffer.

E. Have any neighborhood representatives or members of the public contacted you so far?

4) **Project Letter:**

   A. Project letter appears to be complete.

5) **Zone Map Amendment (zone change) and PD Requirements:**

   *Note: A zone change justification is about the requirements of the zone change criteria 14-16-6-7 (g)(3) and how a proposed project can be demonstrated to fulfill them. The merits of the project itself and planning and/or market trends, generally do not belong in this discussion.*

   A. Please change the response for criterion 6-7(G)(3)(h) as the request would not create a “spot zone”.

   B. Ensure that Section 2-6(A)(3) Eligibility for Rezoning to PD is adequately addressed in the project letter.
NOTIFICATION
Dear Applicant:

Please find the neighborhood contact information listed below. Please make certain to read the information further down in this e-mail as it will help answer other questions you may have.

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The ONC does not have any jurisdiction over any other aspect of your application beyond this neighborhood contact information. We can't answer questions about sign postings, pre-construction meetings, permit status, site plans, buffers, or project plans, so we encourage you to contact the Planning Department at 505-924-3857 Option #1, e-mail: devhelp@cabq.gov, or visit https://www.cabq.gov/planning/online-planning-permitting-applications with those types of questions.

Please note the following:
- You will need to e-mail each of the listed contacts and let them know that you are applying for an approval from the Planning Department for your project.
- Please use this online link to find the required forms you will need to submit your permit application: https://www.cabq.gov/planning/urban-design-development/public-notice
- The Administrative Decision Form you need for notifying neighborhood associations can be found here: https://documents.cabq.gov/planning/online-forms/Notice/Notice_Administrative Decision.pdf
- Once you have e-mailed the listed contacts in each neighborhood, you will need to attach a copy of those e-mails AND a copy of this e-mail from the ONC to your application and submit it to the Planning Department for approval.

If your application requires you to offer a neighborhood meeting, you can click on this link to find required forms to use in your e-mail to the neighborhood association(s):
http://www.cabq.gov/planning/urban-design-development/neighborhood-meeting-requirement-in-the-integrated-development-ordinance

If your application requires a pre-application or pre-construction meeting, please plan on utilizing virtual platforms to the greatest extent possible and adhere to all current Public Health Orders and recommendations. The health and safety of the community is paramount.

If you have questions about what type of notification is required for your particular project or meetings that might be required, please click on the link below to see a table of different types of projects and what notification is required for each:
https://info.abc-zone.com/integrated-development-ordinance/sub/document?&title=Integration%20Ordinance%20Regulations%20%20-%20Regulations%20%20-

Thank you.

Vanessa Baca
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From: webmaster@cabq.gov [mailto:webmaster@cabq.gov]
Sent: Friday, July 08, 2022 11:00 AM
To: Office of Neighborhood Coordination <vos@consensusplanning.com>
Cc: Office of Neighborhood Coordination <vos@consensusplanning.com>
Subject: Neighborhood Meeting Inquiry Sheet Submission

[EXTERNAL] Forward to planning@cabq.gov and delete if an email causes any concern.

For Neighborhood Meeting Inquiry For: Environmental Planning Commission
If you selected "Other" in the question above, please describe what you are seeking a Neighborhood Meeting Inquiry for below:
Contact Name: Michael Vos
Telephone Number: 505 764-9801
Email Address: vos@consensusplanning.com
Company Name: Consensus Planning, Inc.
Company Address: 302 8th Street NW
City: Albuquerque
State: NM
ZIP: 87102
Legal description of the subject site for this project:
Dear Neighbors,

This email is following up on notice emails we have previously sent regarding the property located at the southeast corner of Unser Boulevard and Sage Road SW and a proposed Zoning Map Amendment – EPC and development of a self-storage facility.

After further discussion with the City of Albuquerque, this is a pre-application notification regarding a Zoning Map Amendment from the existing MX-T (Mixed-use Transition) zone to the PD (Planned Development) zone district for the 4.8-acre lot located to the south and east of the Family Dollar store. Accompanying the request for the PD zone, we are proposing a Site Plan – EPC for a self-storage facility as shown on the conceptual site plan and elevations in the attached notice packet, which includes more detailed information about these proposed requests.

As part of the IDO regulations, we are providing you an opportunity to discuss this application prior to submittal. Should you have any questions or would like to request a meeting regarding this anticipated application, please do not hesitate to email me at vos@consensusplanning.com, or contact me by phone at (505) 764-9801. Per the IDO, you have 15 days or until July 30, 2022 to request a meeting.

Sincerely,

Michael Vos, AICP
CONSENSUS PLANNING, INC.
302 Eighth Street NW
Albuquerque, NM 87102
phone (505) 764-9801
vos@consensusplanning.com
PART I - PROCESS
Use Table 6-1-1 in the Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO) to answer the following:

| Application Type: | Zoning Map Amendment and Site Plan - EPC |
| Decision-making Body: | Environmental Planning Commission (EPC) |
| Pre-Application meeting required: | Yes ☑ No |
| Neighborhood meeting required: | Yes ☑ No |
| Mailed Notice required: | Yes ☑ No |
| Electronic Mail required: | Yes ☑ No |
| Is this a Site Plan Application: | Yes ☑ No  Note: if yes, see second page |

PART II – DETAILS OF REQUEST
Address of property listed in application: 99999 Sage Road SW (southeast corner of Unser Blvd and Sage Road)
Name of property owner: Unser & Sage, LLC
Name of applicant: M Square Development (Agent: Consensus Planning, Inc.)
Date, time, and place of public meeting or hearing, if applicable:
TBD
Address, phone number, or website for additional information:
Please contact Michael Vos with Consensus Planning for more information at vos@consensusplanning.com or by calling (505) 764-9801.

PART III - ATTACHMENTS REQUIRED WITH THIS NOTICE
☑ Zone Atlas page indicating subject property.
☑ Drawings, elevations, or other illustrations of this request.
☐ Summary of pre-submittal neighborhood meeting, if applicable.
☑ Summary of request, including explanations of deviations, variances, or waivers.

IMPORTANT: PUBLIC NOTICE MUST BE MADE IN A TIMELY MANNER PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION 14-16-6-4(K) OF THE INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE (IDO).
PROOF OF NOTICE WITH ALL REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS MUST BE PRESENTED UPON APPLICATION.

I certify that the information I have included here and sent in the required notice was complete, true, and accurate to the extent of my knowledge.

_________________________ (Applicant signature)    _______________________ (Date)

Note: Providing incomplete information may require re-sending public notice. Providing false or misleading information is a violation of the IDO pursuant to IDO Subsection 14-16-6-9(B)(3) and may lead to a denial of your application.
### PART IV – ATTACHMENTS REQUIRED FOR SITE PLAN APPLICATIONS ONLY

Provide a site plan that shows, at a minimum, the following:

- ✓ a. Location of proposed buildings and landscape areas.
- ✓ b. Access and circulation for vehicles and pedestrians.
- ✓ c. Maximum height of any proposed structures, with building elevations.
- □ d. For residential development: Maximum number of proposed dwelling units.
- ✓ e. For non-residential development:
  - ✓ Total gross floor area of proposed project.
  - ✓ Gross floor area for each proposed use.
Neighborhood Meeting Request
for a Proposed Project in the City of Albuquerque

Date of Request*: July 15, 2022

This request for a Neighborhood Meeting for a proposed project is provided as required by Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO) Subsection 14-16-6-4(K) Public Notice to:

Neighborhood Association (NA)*: See attached

Name of NA Representative*: See attached

Email Address* or Mailing Address* of NA Representative1: See attached

The application is not yet submitted. If you would like to have a Neighborhood Meeting about this proposed project, please respond to this request within 15 days.2

Email address to respond yes or no: vos@consensusplanning.com

The applicant may specify a Neighborhood Meeting date that must be at least 15 days from the Date of Request above, unless you agree to an earlier date.

Meeting Date / Time / Location:

____________________________________________________________________________

Project Information Required by IDO Subsection 14-16-6-4(K)(1)(a)

1. Subject Property Address*: 99999 Sage Road SW
   Location Description: Southeast corner of Unser Boulevard and Sage Road

2. Property Owner*: Unser & Sage, LLC

3. Agent/Applicant* [if applicable] Consensus Planning, Inc. / Mack ABQ I, LLC

4. Application(s) Type* per IDO Table 6-1-1 [mark all that apply]
   - Conditional Use Approval
   - Permit ______________________________ (Carport or Wall/Fence – Major)
   - Site Plan
   - Subdivision __________________________ (Minor or Major)

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[Note: Items with an asterisk (*) are required.]

- Vacation ____________________________ (Easement/Private Way or Public Right-of-way)
- Variance
- Waiver
- ✓ Zoning Map Amendment
- □ Other: ______________________________________________________________

Summary of project/request³:
______________________________________________________________________________
______________________________________________________________________________

5. This type of application will be decided by*: □ City Staff
   OR at a public meeting or hearing by:
   □ Zoning Hearing Examiner (ZHE)       □ Development Review Board (DRB)
   □ Landmarks Commission (LC)           ✓ Environmental Planning Commission (EPC)
   □ City Council

6. Where more information about the project can be found⁴:
   __________________________________________________________________________

   Please contact Michael Vos with Consensus Planning for more information at vos@consensusplanning.com or by calling (505) 764-9801.

Project Information Required for Mail/Email Notice by IDO Subsection 6-4(K)(1)(b):

1. Zone Atlas Page(s)*⁵ M-10 (attached)

2. Architectural drawings, elevations of the proposed building(s) or other illustrations of the proposed application, as relevant*: Attached to notice or provided via website noted above

3. The following exceptions to IDO standards will be requested for this project*:
   □ Deviation(s)       □ Variance(s)       □ Waiver(s)
   Explanation:
   __________________________________________________________________________
   __________________________________________________________________________
   __________________________________________________________________________

4. An offer of a Pre-submittal Neighborhood Meeting is required by Table 6-1-1*: ✓ Yes □ No

³ Attach additional information, as needed to explain the project/request. Note that information provided in this meeting request is conceptual and constitutes a draft intended to provide sufficient information for discussion of concerns and opportunities.
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  - ✔ Gross floor area for each proposed use.

### Additional Information:

1. From the IDO Zoning Map:
   - a. Area of Property [typically in acres] approximately 4.8 acres
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   - c. Overlay Zone(s) [if applicable] N/A
   - d. Center or Corridor Area [if applicable] Unser Boulevard Commuter Corridor

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### Useful Links

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[https://ido.abc-zone.com/](https://ido.abc-zone.com/)

**IDO Interactive Map**

[https://tinyurl.com/IDOzoningmap](https://tinyurl.com/IDOzoningmap)

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**Cc:** [Other Neighborhood Associations, if any]
Dear Applicant:

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Please note the following:

- You will need to e-mail each of the listed contacts and let them know that you are applying for an approval from the Planning Department for your project.
- Please use this online link to find the required forms you will need to submit your permit application: https://www.cabq.gov/planning/urban-design-development/public-notice
- The Administrative Decision form you need for notifying neighborhood associations can be found here: https://documents.cabq.gov/planning/online-forms/Notice/Notice_Administrative_Decision.pdf
- Once you have e-mailed the listed contacts in each neighborhood, you will need to attach a copy of those e-mails AND a copy of this e-mail from the ONC to your application and submit it to the Planning Department for approval.

If your application requires you to offer a neighborhood meeting, you can click on this link to find required forms to use in your e-mail to the neighborhood association(s):
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Thank you.

Vanessa Baca
Manager
Office of Neighborhood Coordination (ONC) | City Council Department | City of Albuquerque
[505] 768-3331 Office
E-mail: vanessabaca@cabq.gov
Website: www.cabq.gov/neighborhoods

From: webmaster@cabq.gov@mailgun.org [mailto:webmaster@cabq.gov@mailgun.org] On Behalf Of webmaster@cabq.gov
Sent: Friday, July 08, 2011 11:00 AM
To: Office of Neighborhood Coordination <vos@consensusplanning.com>
Cc: Office of Neighborhood Coordination <vos@consensusplanning.com>
Subject: Neighborhood Meeting Inquiry Sheet Submission

[EXTERNAL] Forward to planning@cabq.gov and delete if an email causes any concern.

Neighborhood Meeting Inquiry For: Environmental Planning Commission
If you selected “Other” in the question above, please describe what you are seeking a Neighborhood Meeting Inquiry for below:
Contact Name: Michael Vos
Telephone Number: 505 764 9801
Email Address: mvos@consensusplanning.com
Company Name: Consensus Planning, Inc.
Company Address: 201 14th Street NW
City: Albuquerque
State: NM
ZIP: 87102
Legal description of the subject site for this project:
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Thank you.

Dalaina L. Carmona
Senior Administrative Assistant
Office of Neighborhood Coordination
Council Services Department
1 Civic Plaza NW, Suite 9007, 9th Floor
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dlcarmona@cabq.gov
ONC@cabq.gov
Website: www.cabq.gov/neighborhoods

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From: Carmona, Dalaina L. <dlcarmona@cabq.gov>
To: Office of Neighborhood Coordination <vos@consensusplanning.com>
Cc: Michael Vos <vos@consensusplanning.com>
Subject: Public Notice Inquiry Sheet Submission

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Public Notice Inquiry For:

Environmental Planning Commission
If you selected “Other” in the question above, please describe what you are seeking a Public Notice Inquiry for below:

Contact Name
Michael Vos
Telephone Number
(505) 764-9801
Email Address
devhelp@cabq.gov
Company Name
Consensus Planning, Inc.
Company Address
Consensus Planning, Inc.
Good morning, Neighbors,

This email is a follow-up to the below notice informing you that we have submitted an application for the referenced property to the City of Albuquerque Environmental Planning Commission. The request is for approval of a Zoning Map Amendment from the MX-T zone to the PD (Planned Development) zone along with a corresponding Site Plan for a self-storage facility. Additional information required by the city along with a copy of the proposed plans for the project are attached to this email.

The EPC hearing for this application will be held on September 15, 2022, beginning at 8:30 AM via Zoom. You may join the Zoom meeting using the following information:

Join Zoom Meeting: https://cabq.zoom.us/j/2269592859
To call in: (301) 715-8592
Meeting ID: 226 959 2859

Additional information, including a copy of the staff report and meeting agenda will be available on the EPC webpage approximately one week before the hearing:
https://www.cabq.gov/planning/boards-commissions/environmental-planning-commission/epc-agendas-reports-minutes

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Michael Vos, AICP
CONSENSUS PLANNING, INC.
302 Eighth Street NW
Albuquerque, NM 87102
phone (505) 764-9801
vos@consensusplanning.com

Dear Neighbors,

This email is following up on notice emails we have previously sent regarding the property located at the southeast corner of Unser Boulevard and Sage Road SW and a proposed Zoning Map
Amendment – EPC and development of a self-storage facility.

After further discussion with the City of Albuquerque, this is a pre-application notification regarding a Zoning Map Amendment from the existing MX-T (Mixed-use Transition) zone to the PD (Planned Development) zone district for the 4.8-acre lot located to the south and east of the Family Dollar store. Accompanying the request for the PD zone, we are proposing a Site Plan – EPC for a self-storage facility as shown on the conceptual site plan and elevations in the attached notice packet, which includes more detailed information about these proposed requests.

As part of the IDO regulations, we are providing you an opportunity to discuss this application prior to submittal. Should you have any questions or would like to request a meeting regarding this anticipated application, please do not hesitate to email me at vos@consensusplanning.com, or contact me by phone at (505) 764-9801. Per the IDO, you have 15 days or until July 30, 2022 to request a meeting.

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OFFICIAL PUBLIC NOTIFICATION FORM
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CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE PLANNING DEPARTMENT

PART I - PROCESS
Use Table 6-1-1 in the Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO) to answer the following:

Application Type: Decision-making Body: Environmental Planning Commission (EPC)

Pre-Application meeting required: ✔ Yes ☐ No
Neighborhood meeting required: ✔ Yes ☐ No
Mailed Notice required: ✔ Yes ☐ No
Electronic Mail required: ✔ Yes ☐ No
Is this a Site Plan Application: ✔ Yes ☐ No  Note: if yes, see second page

PART II – DETAILS OF REQUEST
Address of property listed in application: 9999 Sage Road SW (southeast corner of Unser Blvd and Sage Road)
Name of property owner: Unser & Sage, LLC
Name of applicant: M Square Development (Agent: Consensus Planning, Inc.)

Date, time, and place of public meeting or hearing, if applicable:
September 15, 2022 at 8:30 AM. See Zoom information on next page.

Address, phone number, or website for additional information:
Please contact Michael Vos with Consensus Planning for more information at vos@consensusplanning.com or by calling (505) 764-9801.

PART III - ATTACHMENTS REQUIRED WITH THIS NOTICE
✔ Zone Atlas page indicating subject property.
✔ Drawings, elevations, or other illustrations of this request.
☐ Summary of pre-submittal neighborhood meeting, if applicable. *A meeting was not requested
✔ Summary of request, including explanations of deviations, variances, or waivers.

IMPORTANT: PUBLIC NOTICE MUST BE MADE IN A TIMELY MANNER PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION 14-16-6-4(K) OF THE INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE (IDO).
PROOF OF NOTICE WITH ALL REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS MUST BE PRESENTED UPON APPLICATION.

I certify that the information I have included here and sent in the required notice was complete, true, and accurate to the extent of my knowledge.

_________________________ (Applicant signature)  August 4, 2022 (Date)

Note: Providing incomplete information may require re-sending public notice. Providing false or misleading information is a violation of the IDO pursuant to IDO Subsection 14-16-6-9(B)(3) and may lead to a denial of your application.

CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE, PLANNING DEPARTMENT, 600 2ND ST. NW, ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87102 505.924.3860
www.cabq.gov
Printed 11/1/2020
### PART IV – ATTACHMENTS REQUIRED FOR SITE PLAN APPLICATIONS ONLY

Provide a site plan that shows, at a minimum, the following:

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**September 15, 2022 EPC Hearing Zoom Information:**

To join online with video: https://cabq.zoom.us/j/2269592859

To call in: (301) 715-8592

Meeting ID: 226 959 2859

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*The above link may also be checked to see if an in-person hearing option is available again.*
Public Notice of a Proposed Project in the City of Albuquerque
for Decisions Requiring a Meeting or Hearing
Mailed/Emailed to a Neighborhood Association

Date of Notice*: August 4, 2022

This notice of an application for a proposed project is provided as required by Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO) Subsection 14-16-6-4(K) Public Notice to:

Neighborhood Association (NA)*: See attached

Name of NA Representative*: See attached

Email Address* or Mailing Address* of NA Representative1: See attached

Information Required by IDO Subsection 14-16-6-4(K)(1)(a)

1. Subject Property Address* 99999 Sage Road SW
   Location Description Southeast corner of Unser Boulevard and Sage Road (south and east of the Family Dollar)

2. Property Owner* Unser & Sage, LLC

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Summary of project/request2*: Zoning change from MX-T to PD and an associated site plan for a self-storage facility (see attached drawings).

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Information Required for Mail/Email Notice by IDO Subsection 6-4(K)(1)(b):  

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4. A Pre-submittal Neighborhood Meeting was required by Table 6-1-1: ✔ Yes  □ No  
   Summary of the Pre-submittal Neighborhood Meeting, if one occurred:  
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3 Physical address or Zoom link  
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CABQ Planning Dept.  
Emailed/Mailed Public Notice to Neighborhood Associations  
Printed 11/1/2020
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**Additional Information [Optional]:**

From the IDO Zoning Map:

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3. **Overlay Zone(s) [if applicable]** N/A
4. **Center or Corridor Area [if applicable]** Unser Boulevard Commuter Corridor

**Current Land Use(s) [vacant, if none]** Vacant

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The ONC does not have any jurisdiction over any other aspect of your application beyond this neighborhood contact information. We can’t answer questions about sign postings, pre-construction meetings, permit status, site plans, buffers, or project plans, so we encourage you to contact the Planning Department at 505-924-3857 Option #1, e-mail: svos@cabq.gov, or visit: https://www.cabq.gov/planning/online-planning-permitting-applications with these types of questions.

Please note the following:
- You will need to e-mail each of the listed contacts and let them know that you are applying for an approval from the Planning Department for your project.
- Please use this online link to find the required forms you will need to submit your permit application: https://www.cabq.gov/planning/urban-design-development/public-notice.
- The Administrative Decision form you need for notifying neighborhood associations can be found here: https://documents.cabq.gov/planning/online-forms/PublicNotice/Asbestos_Notice_Administrative_Determination.pdf.
- Once you have e-mailed the listed contacts in each neighborhood, you will need to attach a copy of those e-mails AND a copy of this e-mail from the ONC to your application and submit it to the Planning Department for approval.

If your application requires you to offer a neighborhood meeting, you can click on this link to find required forms to use in your e-mail to the neighborhood association(s):

If your application requires a pre-application or pre-construction meeting, please plan on utilizing virtual platforms to the greatest extent possible and adhere to all current Public Health Orders and recommendations. The health and safety of the community is paramount.

If you have questions about what type of notification is required for your particular project or meetings that might be required, please click on the link below to see a table of different types of projects and what notification is required for each:

Thank you.

Delaina L. Carmona
Senior Administrative Assistant
Office of Neighborhood Coordination
Council Services Department
1 Civic Plaza NW, Suite 9087, 9th Floor
Albuquerque, NM 87102
505-768-3334
dlcarmona@cabq.gov or onc@cabq.gov
Website: www.cabq.gov/neighborhoods

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From: webmaster=cabq.gov@mailgun.org <webmaster=cabq.gov@mailgun.org> On Behalf Of webmaster@cabq.gov
Sent: Wednesday, August 3, 2022 8:42 AM
To: Office of Neighborhood Coordination <vos@consensusplanning.com>
Cc: Office of Neighborhood Coordination <vos@consensusplanning.com>
Subject: Public Notice Inquiry Sheet Submission

[EXTERNAL] Forward to phishing@cabq.gov and delete if an email causes any concern.

Public Notice Inquiry For:
Environmental Planning Commission
If you selected "Other" in the question above, please describe what you are seeking a Public Notice Inquiry for below:
Contact Name
Michael Vos
Telephone Number
(505) 764-9801
Email Address
devhelp@cabq.gov
Company Name
Consensus Planning, Inc.
Company Address
OFFICIAL PUBLIC NOTIFICATION FORM
FOR MAILED OR ELECTRONIC MAIL NOTICE
CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE PLANNING DEPARTMENT

PART I - PROCESS

Use Table 6-1-1 in the Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO) to answer the following:

Application Type: Zoning Map Amendment and Site Plan - EPC
Decision-making Body: Environmental Planning Commission (EPC)

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Is this a Site Plan Application: ✔ Yes □ No  Note: if yes, see second page

PART II – DETAILS OF REQUEST

Address of property listed in application: 99999 Sage Road SW (southeast corner of Unser Blvd and Sage Road)
Name of property owner: Unser & Sage, LLC
Name of applicant: M Square Development (Agent: Consensus Planning, Inc.)
Date, time, and place of public meeting or hearing, if applicable:
September 15, 2022 at 8:30 AM. See Zoom information on next page.
Address, phone number, or website for additional information:
Please contact Michael Vos with Consensus Planning for more information at vos@consensusplanning.com or by calling (505) 764-9801.

PART III - ATTACHMENTS REQUIRED WITH THIS NOTICE

✔ Zone Atlas page indicating subject property.
✔ Drawings, elevations, or other illustrations of this request.
□ Summary of pre-submittal neighborhood meeting, if applicable. *A meeting was not requested
✔ Summary of request, including explanations of deviations, variances, or waivers.

IMPORTANT: PUBLIC NOTICE MUST BE MADE IN A TIMELY MANNER PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION 14-16-6-4(K) OF THE INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE (IDO).
PROOF OF NOTICE WITH ALL REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS MUST BE PRESENTED UPON APPLICATION.

I certify that the information I have included here and sent in the required notice was complete, true, and accurate to the extent of my knowledge.

_______________________________ (Applicant signature)  August 4, 2022 (Date)

Note: Providing incomplete information may require re-sending public notice. Providing false or misleading information is a violation of the IDO pursuant to IDO Subsection 14-16-6-9(B)(3) and may lead to a denial of your application.
PART IV – ATTACHMENTS REQUIRED FOR SITE PLAN APPLICATIONS ONLY

Provide a site plan that shows, at a minimum, the following:

- a. Location of proposed buildings and landscape areas.
- b. Access and circulation for vehicles and pedestrians.
- c. Maximum height of any proposed structures, with building elevations.
- d. For residential development: Maximum number of proposed dwelling units.
- e. For non-residential development:
  - Total gross floor area of proposed project.
  - Gross floor area for each proposed use.

September 15, 2022 EPC Hearing Zoom Information:

To join online with video: https://cabq.zoom.us/j/2269592859
To call in: (301) 715-8592
Meeting ID: 226 959 2859

Additional information, the staff report, and meeting agenda can be found online approximately one week before the hearing on the following website:
https://www.cabq.gov/planning/boards-commissions/environmental-planning-commission/epc-agendas-reports-minutes

*The above link may also be checked to see if an in-person hearing option is available again.
Public Notice of a Proposed Project in the City of Albuquerque
for Decisions Requiring a Meeting or Hearing
Mailed to a Property Owner

Date of Notice*: August 4, 2022

This notice of an application for a proposed project is provided as required by Integrated Development
Ordinance (IDO) Subsection 14-16-6-4(K) Public Notice to:

Property Owner within 100 feet*: __________________________________________________________

Mailing Address*: ______________________________________________________________________

Project Information Required by IDO Subsection 14-16-6-4(K)(1)(a)

1. Subject Property Address* 99999 Sage Road SW
   Location Description Southeast corner of Unser Boulevard and Sage Road (south and east of the Family Dollar)

2. Property Owner* Unser & Sage, LLC

3. Agent/Applicant* [if applicable] Consensus Planning, Inc. / Mack ABQ I, LLC

4. Application(s) Type* per IDO Table 6-1-1 [mark all that apply]
   □ Conditional Use Approval
   □ Permit ______________________________ (Carport or Wall/Fence – Major)
   ✔ Site Plan
   □ Subdivision ______________________________ (Minor or Major)
   □ Vacation ______________________________ (Easement/Private Way or Public Right-of-way)
   □ Variance
   □ Waiver
   ✔ Other: Zoning Map Amendment to PD (Planned Development)

Summary of project/request1*:
   Zone change from MX-T to PD with an associated Site Plan for a self-storage facility (see attached drawings)

5. This application will be decided at a public meeting or hearing by*:
   □ Zoning Hearing Examiner (ZHE)          □ Development Review Board (DRB)
   □ Landmarks Commission (LC)            ✔ Environmental Planning Commission (EPC)

   1 Attach additional information, as needed to explain the project/request.
Date/Time*: September 15, 2022 at 8:30 AM via Zoom

Location*:  

Join Zoom Meeting: https://cabq.zoom.us/j/2269592859
To call in: (301) 715-8592  
Meeting ID: 226 959 2859

Agenda/meeting materials: http://www.cabq.gov/planning/boards-commissions

To contact staff, email devhelp@cabq.gov or call the Planning Department at 505-924-3860.

6. Where more information about the project can be found*3:

Please contact Michael Vos with Consensus Planning for more information at vos@consensusplanning.com or by calling (505) 764-9801.

Project Information Required for Mail/Email Notice by IDO Subsection 6-4(K)(1)(b):

1. Zone Atlas Page(s)**: M-10

2. Architectural drawings, elevations of the proposed building(s) or other illustrations of the proposed application, as relevant*: Attached to notice or provided via website noted above

3. The following exceptions to IDO standards have been requested for this project*:
   - Deviation(s)
   - Variance(s)
   - Waiver(s)

   Explanation*:

   N/A


4. A Pre-submittal Neighborhood Meeting was required by Table 6-1-1: Yes  
   No

   Summary of the Pre-submittal Neighborhood Meeting, if one occurred:

   A pre-submittal neighborhood meeting was not requested.

5. For Site Plan Applications only*, attach site plan showing, at a minimum:
   - Location of proposed buildings and landscape areas.*
   - Access and circulation for vehicles and pedestrians.*
   - Maximum height of any proposed structures, with building elevations.*
[Note: Items with an asterisk (*) are required.]

d. For residential development*: Maximum number of proposed dwelling units.

✓ e. For non-residential development*:
   ✓ Total gross floor area of proposed project.
   ✓ Gross floor area for each proposed use.

Additional Information:

From the IDO Zoning Map⁵:

1. Area of Property [typically in acres] 4.7931 acres
2. IDO Zone District Current: MX-T (Mixed-use Transition) and Proposed: PD (Planned Development)
3. Overlay Zone(s) [if applicable] N/A
4. Center or Corridor Area [if applicable] Unser Boulevard Commuter Corridor

Current Land Use(s) [vacant, if none] Vacant

NOTE: Pursuant to IDO Subsection 14-16-6-4(L), property owners within 330 feet and Neighborhood Associations within 660 feet may request a post-submittal facilitated meeting. If requested at least 15 calendar days before the public meeting/hearing date noted above, the facilitated meeting will be required. To request a facilitated meeting regarding this project, contact the Planning Department at devhelp@cabq.gov or 505-924-3955.

Useful Links

Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO):
https://ido.abc-zone.com/

IDO Interactive Map
https://tinyurl.com/IDOzoningmap

⁵ Available here: https://tinurl.com/idozoningmap
IDO Zone Atlas
May 2018

IDO Zoning information as of May 17, 2018
The Zone Districts and Overlay Zones are established by the Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO).

For more details about the Integrated Development Ordinance visit: http://www.cabq.gov/planning/codes-policies-regulations/integrated-development-ordinance
LUJAN PEDRO L  
1408 ROLLING ROCK PL SW  
ALBUQUERQUE NM 87121-3539

CASTILLO FABRICIO  
1329 QUIET DESERT DR SW  
ALBUQUERQUE NM 87121

HARMON KALENA RENE & LOVATO  
GABRIEL JOSEPH  
1319 QUIET DESERT DR SW  
ALBUQUERQUE NM 87121-3507

ESTRADA CARLOS A CERVANTES  
7605 WINDSONG PL SW  
ALBUQUERQUE NM 87121-3530

WADE DANIEL JR  
7805 WINDSONG PL SW  
ALBUQUERQUE NM 87121

FIERRO TERESA I  
1301 QUIET DESERT DR SW  
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REAL ESTATE LLC
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7209 LUNA AZUL AVE SW
ALBUQUERQUE NM 87121-9107

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SIGN POSTING AGREEMENT

REQUIREMENTS

POSTING SIGNS ANNOUNCING PUBLIC HEARINGS

All persons making application to the City under the requirements and procedures established by the Integrated Development Ordinance are responsible for the posting and maintaining of one or more signs on the property which is subject to the application, as shown in Table 6-1-1. Vacations of public rights-of-way (if the way has been in use) also require signs. Waterproof signs are provided at the time of application for a $10 fee per sign. If the application is mailed, you must still stop at the Development Services Front Counter to pick up the sign(s).

The applicant is responsible for ensuring that the signs remain posted throughout the 15-day period prior to any public meeting or hearing. Failure to maintain the signs during this entire period may be cause for deferral or denial of the application. Replacement signs for those lost or damaged are available from the Development Services Front Counter.

1. LOCATION
   A. The sign shall be conspicuously located. It shall be located within twenty feet of the public sidewalk (or edge of public street). Staff may indicate a specific location.
   B. The face of the sign shall be parallel to the street, and the bottom of the sign shall be at least two feet from the ground.
   C. No barrier shall prevent a person from coming within five feet of the sign to read it.

2. NUMBER
   A. One sign shall be posted on each paved street frontage. Signs may be required on unpaved street frontages.
   B. If the land does not abut a public street, then, in addition to a sign placed on the property, a sign shall be placed on and at the edge of the public right-of-way of the nearest paved City street. Such a sign must direct readers toward the subject property by an arrow and an indication of distance.

3. PHYSICAL POSTING
   A. A heavy stake with two crossbars or a full plywood backing works best to keep the sign in place, especially during high winds.
   B. Large headed nails or staples are best for attaching signs to a post or backing; the sign tears out less easily.

4. TIME
   Signs must be posted from ___________________________To ___________________________

5. REMOVAL
   A. The sign is not to be removed before the initial hearing on the request.
   B. The sign should be removed within five (5) days after the initial hearing.

I have read this sheet and discussed it with the Development Services Front Counter Staff. I understand (A) my obligation to keep the sign(s) posted for (15) days and (B) where the sign(s) are to be located. I am being given a copy of this sheet.

_________________________________________  8/4/22
(Applicant or Agent) (Date)

I issued _____ signs for this application,  __________________________       ________________,   _____________________________
(Date) (Staff Member)

PROJECT NUMBER: PR-2019-003120
SITE PLAN REDUCTIONS
### BUILDING AREA SUMMARY

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### PARKING SUMMARY

Parking spaces - 1 space per 3,000 SF GFA
- Required parking spaces = 35
- Proposed parking spaces = 6

Motorcycle parking - between 26-50 parking spaces = 2 motorcycle spaces.
- Required motorcycle parking = 2
- Proposed motorcycle parking = 2

Bicycle spaces - 3 spaces or 10% of required off-street parking spaces, whichever is greater.
- Required bicycle parking = 4
- Proposed bicycle parking = 4
SITE INFORMATION

SAGE RD. NW
ALBUQUERQUE, NM

BUILDING A
7,750 SQ. FT BUILDING
OCCUPANCY GROUP - S-1
TYPE IIB CONSTRUCTION
NON-SPRINKLED
FLOWS = 2250 GPM = 2 FH
10'-6" BUILDING HEIGHT

BUILDING B
7,800 SQ. FT. BUILDING
OCCUPANCY GROUP - S-1
TYPE IIB CONSTRUCTION
NON-SPRINKLED
FLOWS = 1750 GPM = 1 FH
10'-6" BUILDING HEIGHT

BUILDING C
7,325 SQ. FT. BUILDING
OCCUPANCY GROUP - S-1
TYPE IIB CONSTRUCTION
NON-SPRINKLED
FLOWS = 1750 GPM = 1 FH
10'-6" BUILDING HEIGHT

BUILDING D
8,600 SQ. FT BUILDING
OCCUPANCY GROUP - S-1
SPRINKLED
FDC IS WITHIN 100' OF A FIRE HYDRANT AND
FROM SAGE ROAD.

BUILDING E
30' BUILDING HEIGHT

BUILDING F
62,000 SQ. FT BUILDING
OCCUPANCY GROUP - S-1
TYPE IIB CONSTRUCTION
NON-SPRINKLED
FLOWS = 2250 GPM = 2 FH
10'-6" BUILDING HEIGHT

EXISTING FIRE HYDRANTS NEAR SITE.
BUILDING A TO HAVE PREMISE ID SIGN VISIBLE
FROM SAGE ROAD.

FDC IS WITHIN 100' OF A FIRE HYDRANT AND
ALL BUILDINGS AND ACCESS ROADS ARE ON THE GRADE.

ALL ACCESS ROADS AND FIRE LINES HAVE GRADES LESS
THAN 10% AND A LONGEST GAP OF 7500 POUNDS.

ALL ACCESS ROADS AND FIRE LINES WILL ACCOMMODATE
A 26 MINIMUM TRUCK TURNING OASIS.

FIRE APPARATUS ROADS SHALL HAVE AN UNOBSTRUCTED
HEIGHT NOT LESS THAN 10'-6".

ALL FIRE LINES SHALL HAVE MARKINGS AND/OR SIGNS
DENOTING "FIRE LANE-NO PARKING".

EXISTING FH #299

FIRE HYDRANT

INLETS ARE 18" TO 48" ABOVE GRADE.

FLOWS = 5250 GPM = 3 FH

FIRE APPARATUS TURNING RADIUS

SCALE 1"=40'

0 20 40 60 80 120 160

SHEET NUMBER

FIRE 1

08/19/22
FP-22-010842

KNOX BOX

GATE KEY SWITCH

NO PARKING

FIRE APPARATUS ROADS SHALL HAVE AN UNOBSTRUCTED
HEIGHT NOT LESS THAN 10'-6".

EXISTING FH #299
CONCEPT BUILDING ELEVATIONS
SELF- STORAGE FACILITY
SAGE RD. AND UNSER BLVD.
ALBUQUERQUE, NM
JUNE 13, 2022

BUILDING D - NORTH ELEVATION

BUILDING D - WEST ELEVATION

BUILDING D - EAST ELEVATION

BUILDING D - SOUTH ELEVATION

BUILDING E - NORTH ELEVATION

BUILDING E - WEST ELEVATION

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