TO: HEARINGS OFFICER

FROM: LISA ANDERSON-OGILVIE, AICP
DEPUTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR AND
PLANNING ADMINISTRATOR

SUBJECT: APPEAL OF THE MODIFICATION OF CONDITIONAL USE AND ZONE
CHANGE CASE NO. CU-ZC17-14MOD1; FOR PROPERTY LOCATED IN
THE 700 TO 800 BLOCKS OF COMMERCIAL STREET NE & 253 to 275
DIVISION STREET NE
(AMANDA APPLICATION NO. 19-104587-ZO)

REQUEST

Appeal of the Planning Administrator’s April 26, 2019, decision approving a modification of Conditional Use Permit and Zone Change Case No. CU-ZC17-14 to modify the conditional use permit approval for the relocation of the Union Gospel Mission (UGM) of Salem’s men’s shelter to incorporate two additional properties located at 253 to 275 Division Street NE into the proposed development. No change to the maximum number of persons approved to be served at the shelter is proposed and all conditions of approval established under the original conditional use permit will continue to apply.

The subject property, including the two additional properties proposed to be included in the development, totals approximately 2.54 acres in size, is zoned CB (Central Business District) and CO (Commercial Office) with Riverfront Overlay, and is located in the 700 to 800 blocks of Commercial Street NE and 253 to 275 Division Street NE ((Marion County Assessor Map and Tax Lot Numbers: 073W22AC03300 and 073W22DB01600, 1700, 1800, 1900, 2000 & 2100).

APPLICANT / OWNER: Union Gospel Mission of Salem

AGENT: Craig Chaney, of Merrick Lentz Architecture

APPELLANT: Gerald Bieze; Gerald Bieze on behalf of 9th Street LLC & Second and Center St. LLC

RECOMMENDATION

Based upon the Facts and Findings contained in this staff report, staff recommends the Hearings Officer AFFIRM the April 26, 2019, Planning Administrator’s decision approving the Union Gospel Mission of Salem’s requested modification to their conditional use permit to incorporate two additional properties located at 253 to 275 Division Street NE into their conditional use permit approval for the relocation of their existing men’s shelter from its current location at 345 Commercial Street NE to the proposed new location in the 700 to 800 blocks of Commercial Street NE and 253 to 275 Division Street NE.
PROCEDURAL FINDINGS

1. On February 5, 2019, an application to modify the approval of Conditional Use / Zone Change Case No. CU-ZC17-14 was submitted by the Union Gospel Mission (UGM) of Salem.

Conditional Use / Zone Change Case No. CU-ZC17-14 approved the proposed relocation of the UGM’s men’s shelter from its current downtown location at 345 Commercial Street NE to the proposed new location on property located in the 700 to 800 blocks of Commercial Street NE. In addition to the approval of the conditional use permit to allow the relocation of the UGM’s men’s shelter, a zone change to change the zoning of the property from CO (Commercial Office) to CB (Central Business District) was also approved.

2. After additional requested information was provided by the applicant, the application was deemed complete for processing on March 7, 2019, and notice was mailed, pursuant to SRC requirements, on March 14, 2019.

3. On April 26, 2019, the Planning Administrator issued a decision approving the requested modification to the conditional use permit subject to all of the conditions of approval to the original conditional use permit approval.

4. On May 13, 2019, an appeal of the Planning Administrator's decision was filed Gerald Bieze (Attachment A).

5. On May 23, 2019, notice was subsequently provided pursuant to SRC requirements for the public hearing on the appeal. Notice was also posted on the subject property pursuant to SRC requirements on May 31, 2019.

6. The appeal hearing before the Hearings Officer is scheduled for June 12, 2019. The state-mandated 120-day local decision deadline for the application is July 5, 2019.

BACKGROUND

On February 9, 2018, the Salem Hearings Officer approved Conditional Use / Zone Change Case No. CU-ZC17-14. This was an approval for a Conditional Use Permit, to allow the relocation the Union Gospel Mission (UGM) of Salem’s existing Non-Profit Shelter located in the downtown at 345 Commercial Street NE to the proposed new location in the 700 to 800 blocks of Commercial Street NE with an expanded capacity to serve approximately 300 persons, as well as a Zone Change to change the zoning of the property from CO (Commercial Office) to CB (Central Business District) in order to establish the existing UGM retail store located at the northern end of the property as a permitted conforming use.

The Hearings Officer’s decision was appealed to the City Council and the Council subsequently voted to affirm the Hearings Officer’s decision, with modifications, and approve the conditional use permit subject to the following 11 conditions of approval:
Condition 1: As a condition of the future development of the property, the applicant shall install video surveillance cameras and appropriate signage that capture video of the entire surface of the alleyway from Division to D Street NE. Video files shall be continuously stored on site for no less than 14 days. Camera and sign locations shall be determined at the time of site plan review and design review.

Condition 2: As a condition of the future development of the property, appropriate signage directing patrons to the outside waiting areas on the property and discouraging loitering or obstructing the public sidewalk shall be installed on the property. Signage shall be at locations and in a form determined at the time of site plan review and design review.

Condition 3: As a condition of the future development of the property, a State Highway approach/access permit shall be obtained for each proposed driveway connection onto Commercial Street NE.

Condition 4: A pedestrian connection shall be provided within the development to connect the main guest entrance into the proposed shelter to a public sidewalk within an abutting street. If the only means of connecting to a public sidewalk within an abutting street is via the existing alley, the pedestrian connection shall be visually contrasted from the alley either by a change in material or a grade separation above the alley in a manner that will not impede vehicular access to the ally.

Condition 5: Any outside storage areas, including outside storage areas for personal belongings, shall be screened by a minimum 6-foot-tall sight-obscuring fence, wall, or hedge.

Condition 6: The shelter and transitional housing facility shall be limited to a maximum number of 300 overnight occupants, of which a minimum of 78 beds shall be committed for transitional housing occupants.

Condition 7: The applicant shall install secure, covered storage for client personal belongings.

Condition 8: The design of the proposed shelter shall incorporate the following additional requirements:
   a) Exterior gathering spaces shall be visible from within the buildings;
   b) Shrubs shall not exceed 36 inches in height; and
   c) The primary entrance for emergency shelter users shall not be located along the Commercial Street frontage.

Condition 9: The site’s grounds shall be monitored 24-hours a day by staff through video surveillance or patrols.

Condition 10: As a condition of site plan review applicant submittal, the applicant shall provide a photometric plan identifying the site’s proposed lighting fixtures, placements, and illumination intensity.

Condition 11: The shelter shall provide an indoor restroom to be available to men twenty-four hours a day.
Subsequent to the City Council’s May 29, 2018, decision, the UGM purchased the abutting property located at 275 Division Street NE and is in the process of acquiring the property located at 253 Division Street NE (Attachment B). Once the property at 253 Division Street is acquired, the UGM will own all of the property located on the eastern half of the block between Division Street and D Street. However, because the two additional Division Street properties were not included in the original conditional use permit request, the UGM was required to modify their original conditional use permit in order to include them in the approval and allow them to be used to accommodate the proposed relocated shelter.

In addition to the conditional use permit modification, the UGM also filed separate applications for a replat (Case No. REP19-03) and a consolidated Class 3 Design Review, Class 3 Site Plan Review, and Class 2 Adjustment (Case No. DR-SPR-ADJ19-03).

The purpose of the replat application is to consolidate the five properties included under the original conditional use permit approval, located in the 700 to 800 blocks of Commercial Street NE, and the two additional properties included under the conditional use permit modification, located at 253 to 275 Division Street NE, into one lot in order to accommodate the proposed development. On May 10, 2019, the replat application was approved by the Planning Administrator (Attachment C) and the decision is now final.

The purpose of the consolidated design review, site plan review, and adjustment application is to review the proposed new relocated shelter for conformance with the design review requirements of the Riverfront Overlay Zone and the applicable standards of the Salem Revised Code (SRC); as well as to review the proposed adjustment requests to reduce the minimum required off-street parking for the proposed shelter, eliminate the minimum required 5-foot setback between the shelter’s proposed loading space and the alley, eliminate the minimum required 5-foot separation between the parking/vehicle use area and the southern end of the existing retail store building, and allow a continuous 3-foot tall hedge to be substituted for the required 3-foot tall wall to screen the proposed parking lot abutting Commercial Street NE.

A public hearing on the design review, site plan review, and zoning adjustment application was held on June 4, 2019. After receiving public testimony on the application the Planning Commission voted to approve the proposed development subject to conditions of approval.

**PROPOSAL**

The application under appeal to the Hearings Officer is a modification of the original conditional use permit approved by the City Council on May 29, 2018, allowing the relocation of the UGM’s existing men’s shelter (Attachment D). As previously discussed, the modification is necessary in order to incorporate two additional properties located at 253 to 275 Division Street NE into the approval so they can be utilized for the proposed development. As a result of the incorporation of these additional properties, the proposed shelter building has changed slightly to increase in size from approximately 54,000 square feet, as originally proposed, to approximately 58,282 square feet; the existing office building at 253 Division Street NE will be retained; a landscaped...
plaza/entry area between the client entrance on the south side of the building and Division Street will be provided; and the number of off-street parking spaces available to serve the development has increased by nine spaces from 105 to 114.

Though some slight changes to the configuration and design of the shelter have been proposed as a result of the requested modification, all of the conditions of approval established as part of the original conditional use permit approval will continue to apply; the number of individuals served by the shelter is not proposed to be increased; the redevelopment of the site will continue to include the retail store at the northern end of the site and the new shelter at the southern end of the site, with shared parking in the middle between them to serve both uses; and vehicular access will remain the same with two driveway approaches onto Commercial Street NE, together with access to the existing alley along the west side of the subject property.

**SUMMARY OF RECORD**

The following items are submitted to the record and are available upon request: All materials submitted by the applicant, including any applicable professional studies such as traffic impact analysis, geologic assessments, and stormwater reports; any materials and comments from public agencies, City departments, neighborhood associations, and the public; and all documents referenced in this report.

**FACTS AND FINDINGS**

1. Neighborhood Association Comments

   The subject property is located within the Central Area Neighborhood Development Organization (CAN-DO) neighborhood association. No comments were received from the neighborhood association during the initial review of the application and no comments have been submitted as of the date of completion of this staff report on the appeal.

2. Public Comments

   During the review of the application by the Planning Administrator a total of five public comments were received that are included as Attachment E. Of those five comments, four expressed support for the proposed modification and one expressed concern and opposition.

   The comment received in opposition to the proposed modification raised, in summary, the following issues:

   - **New Conditional Use Permit Required.** The comment received indicated that the project requires approval of a new conditional use permit because the proposal does not meet the approval criteria for a modification due to the significant changes to the physical appearance of the development, use of the site, and impacts on surrounding properties resulting from the increase in the building’s size, its expansion onto the two new properties, and the
corresponding relocation of its primary client entry from the alley to Division Street.

- **Additional Conditional of Approval.** The comment received indicated that should a new conditional use permit not be required for the proposed development, an additional condition of approval should be incorporated into the modified conditional use permit requiring the applicant to reorient the primary client entry to the shelter so that the entrance and outside storage and waiting areas are accessed from and oriented to the north, facing the proposed parking lot.

As of the date of completion of this staff report, no additional public comments have been received.

3. **Approval Criteria.** The applicable criteria that must be satisfied in connection with the approval of a modification to a conditional use permit are set forth under SRC 240.010.

**SRC 240.010(d) provides:**

An application for modification of a conditional use permit approval shall be granted if all of the following criteria are met:

(1) *The proposed modification is not substantially inconsistent with the conditions of the original approval; and*

(2) *When compared with the original approval, the proposed modification will not result in significant changes to the physical appearance of the development, the use of the site, and the impacts on surrounding properties.*

4. **Appeal**

Prior to the expiration of the May 13, 2019, appeal deadline, an appeal of the Planning Administrator’s decision was filed by Gerald Bieze. The appeal letter from Mr. Bieze’s attorney, Susan Baird, of Baird Law Office, LLC, is included as Attachment A.

The UGM’s proposal reviewed by the Planning Administrator was a modification to their conditional use permit for the relocation of their existing men’s shelter. At issue in the appellant’s appeal is the approval of the conditional use permit modification. The issues raised in the appellant’s appeal letter pertain to the following:

- The decision failed to conform to SRC 240.001 and 240.005 because, based on its scope, the proposed modification does not satisfy the applicable approval criteria and should have been reviewed as a new conditional use permit under the criteria set forth in SRC 240.005; as such, the reasonably likely adverse impacts of the modified use on the appellant’s property should have been considered.

- The decision failed to conform to SRC 240.010(d)(1) because the proposed modification is substantially inconsistent with the conditions of the original approval.
The decision failed to conform to SRC 240.010(d)(2) because the proposed modification will result in significant changes when compared with the original conditional use approval.

The decision failed to consider or address the 114 parking spaces proposed, which exceed the number of parking spaces permitted in the original approval.

The decision failed to conform to SRC 110.065 which requires development and approvals to be in conformity with all applicable regulations in the UDC.

A summary and response to the issues raised in the appeal are provided below.

A. Conditional use permit purpose and applicability.

The appeal filed by the appellant indicates that the Planning Administrator’s decision failed to conform to the purpose and applicability established for conditional use permits under SRC 240.001 and 240.005. The appellant explains, in summary, that the purpose of a conditional use permit is to determine whether the imposition of conditions is necessary to minimize the negative impacts on uses in the surrounding area. The appellant indicates the decision erred in failing to consider the likely adverse impacts of the modified use on the appellant’s property, which is an adjacent property in the immediate neighborhood. The appellant explains that these likely adverse impacts could, and should, have been minimized through conditions of approval and therefore the proposed modification should be been reviewed as a new conditional use permit under the criteria set forth in SRC 240.005.

Staff Response: SRC 240.001 provides that the purpose of the conditional use chapter (SRC Chapter 240) is to, “allow uses that are similar to other uses permitted outright in a zone but because of the manner in which the use may be conducted, or the land and buildings developed for the use, review is required to determine whether the imposition of conditions is necessary to minimize the negative impacts on uses in the surrounding area.”

In regards to applicability, SRC 240.005(a)(2) provides, that, “No use for which a conditional use permit has been granted shall be expanded, relocated, or changed to another conditional use, and no building or structure devoted to such use shall be structurally altered or enlarged, unless a new conditional use permit, or a modification of an existing conditional use permit, has been granted pursuant to this chapter for such expansion, relocation, change, structural alteration, or enlargement; provided, however, a new conditional use permit, or modification of an existing conditional use permit, shall not be required for interior construction or tenant improvements that involve no change of use, or for alterations required to address a building code violation or to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act.”

As established under the original conditional use permit approval, the proposed use is allowed as an additional conditional use within the Riverfront Overlay Zone and is therefore allowed on both the portion of the property zoned CB (Central Business District) approved with the original conditional use permit and the portion of the property zoned CO which is proposed to be incorporated into the original
conditional use permit approval with this requested modification.

As provided under SRC 240.005(a)(2), when a use which has received conditional use permit approval is proposed to be subsequently expanded, relocated, or changed, it must either receive approval for either a new conditional use permit or a modification of the existing conditional use permit. Whether a new conditional use permit or a modification to an existing conditional use permit is required depends upon the degree of the proposed change and whether it conforms to the approval criteria for a modification.

SRC 240.010(d) provides that a modification of a conditional use permit approval shall be granted if all of the following criteria are met:

1. The proposed modification is not substantially inconsistent with the conditions of the original approval; and
2. When compared with the original approval, the proposed modification will not result in significant changes to the physical appearance of the development, the use of the site, and the impacts on surrounding properties.

As identified in the findings included in the Planning Administrator’s April 26, 2019, decision approving the requested modification to the conditional use permit (Attachment F), all of the conditions of approval established under the original conditional use permit will continue to apply and the incorporation of the two additional properties, and the resulting slight change to the size and configuration of the shelter, do not result in significant changes to the physical appearance of the development, use of the site, or impacts on surrounding properties. As such, the applicant’s request satisfies the criteria for a modification to the original conditional use permit rather than requiring a new conditional use permit.

Because the changes to the proposed development are minimal and allow the development to better conform to the conditions of approval established under the original conditional use permit, and because these minimal changes do not trigger a requirement for a new conditional use permit, an analysis to determine whether additional conditions of approval are necessary to mitigate the impacts of the proposal is not required.

The proposed use has already been reviewed and approved through the conditional use permit review process to identify the appropriate conditions of approval to mitigate any reasonably likely adverse impacts of the proposed use on the immediate neighborhood; and the proposed development will be required to conform to these conditions of approval. The extent of the changes to the proposed development as a result of the requested modification do not necessitate any changes to the existing conditions of approval because the changes to do not result in a significant change to the physical appearance of the development, use of the site, or impacts on surrounding properties. The request is also proceeding through the required conditional use permit modification process under SRC 240.010. As identified, the proposal therefore conforms to conditional use purpose and applicability requirements of SRC 240.001 and SRC 240.005(a).
B. **Consistency with original conditions of approval.**

The appeal filed by the appellant indicates that the Planning Administrator’s decision failed to conform to SRC 240.010(d)(1) because the proposed modification is substantially inconsistent with the conditions of the original approval. The appellant indicates, in summary that the decision made inadequate findings to support the conclusion that the modification is consistent with Condition 1 of the original approval requiring video surveillance of the entire surface of the alleyway, Condition 4 of the original approval requiring a pedestrian connection to be provided within the development to connect the main guest entrance into the proposed shelter to a public sidewalk in an abutting street or alley, and Condition 8 of the original approval requiring the primary entrance for emergency shelter users to not be located long the Commercial Street frontage.

Concerning Condition 1, the appellant indicates that the decision failed to consider the purposes and rationale for imposing this condition in the original approval, which purposes and rationale should have been reconsidered in light of the reorientation of the development and incorporation of the additional properties that substantially changed the reasons for imposing the condition. The appellant explains that the decision erred in summarily concluding that merely apply the same conditions that existed in the original approval to the modification resulted in consistency.

Concerning Condition 4, the appellant indicates that the decision made inadequate findings to support the conclusion that the modification is consistent with the requirement of this condition to provide a pedestrian connection within the development to connect the main guest entrance into the proposed shelter to a public sidewalk within an abutting street or alley.

Concerning Condition 8, the appellant indicates that the decision failed to make adequate findings to support the conclusion that the modification is consistent with the requirement of the condition to not locate the primary entrance for emergency shelter users along the Commercial Street frontage. The appellant explains that in apply Condition 8 to the modification application, the decision failed to address the applicable design standards of the Riverfront Overlay Zone.

**Staff Response:** As provided in the Planning Administrator’s April 26, 2019, decision (Attachment F), the proposed modification conforms to SRC 240.010(d)(1). Under the proposed modification, all eleven conditions of approval from the original conditional use permit will continue to apply and therefore no aspect of the proposed modification will be inconsistent with the original conditions of approval. Under the proposed modification:

- Video surveillance of the alley will be provided to ensure safety as required under Condition 1;
- Signage directing clients to outside waiting areas on the property and discouraging loitering and obstruction of the public sidewalk will be provided as required under Condition 2;
The development will be required to obtain State Highway access permits for the proposed driveways onto Commercial Street as required under Condition 3;

- A pedestrian connection is provided between the main guest entry into the shelter and a public sidewalk within an abutting street – in the case of the proposed modification, Division Street – as required under Condition 4;

- Any outside storage areas will be screened as required under Condition 5;

- The proposed shelter will continue to be limited to a maximum of 300 overnight occupants, of which a minimum of 78 beds shall be committed to transition housing occupants, as required under Condition 6;

- Secure covered storage for client and personal belongings will be provided as required under Condition 7;

- The primary entrance for shelter users is not located along the Commercial Street frontage, the proposed exterior gathering space in front of the main shelter entrance will be visible from within the building, and shrubs will be limited in height as required under Condition 8;

- The site will be monitored by staff 24-hours a day as required under Condition 9;

- A photometric plan identifying the site’s proposed light fixtures, placements, and illumination intensity will be provided as required under Condition 10; and

- A restroom available to men 24-hours a day will be provided as required under Condition 11.

Furthermore, 300.820(a)(1) provides that conditions of approval shall be stated in clear and unambiguous terms; be reasonably related to the public health, safety, and welfare; and be designed to reasonably effectuate the intended purpose. In addition, SRC 300.820(b) provides that conditions of approval shall be construed and enforced, in all respects, as provisions of the UDC relating to the use and development of land.

In order to conform to SRC 240.010(d)(1) it must be found that the proposed modification is not substantially inconsistent with the conditions of the original approval. Pursuant to SRC 300.820, because conditions of approval must be clear and unambiguous and are treated as development standards of the code, conformance with this approval criterion is achieved if the conditions of approval are met. Based on the provisions of SRC 300.820, this determination is intended to be a yes or no answer. A development will either meet the condition/development standard or not meet the condition/development standard. It is not possible, however, for a development to meet a condition/development standard, but somehow at the same time not satisfy the condition/development standard because the underlying purpose for why it was established has changed. As provided in the Planning Administrator’s decision, the eleven conditions of the original conditional use permit approval will continue to apply; therefore, the proposed modification is fully consistent with the conditions of the original approval.
In addition, the changes to the development as a result of the proposed modification are minimal and do not change the underlying purpose for which the conditions of approval were originally established. Condition 1 of the original approval, concerning visual surveillance of the ally, was established to promote safety and security for the proposed development. While one consideration in establishing this condition was to address the proposal's original preliminary design which directed shelter guests from the main entry to the alley (Attachment G), the underlying purpose to ensure safety and security along the entire length of the alley where safety and security concerns are potentially more prominent remains under the requested modification. In addition, as shown on the proposed site lighting and security camera plan (Attachment H), not only are security cameras provided to capture video surveillance along the entire length of the alley, they are also distributed around the proposed building, including adjacent to the guest plaza/entry area on the southern side of the building. The proposed modification is fully consistent with Condition 1.

Condition 4 of the original approval required a pedestrian connection to be provided within the development to connect the main guest entrance into the proposed shelter to a public sidewalk within an abutting street. The condition further specifies that if the only means of connecting to a public sidewalk within an abutting street is via the existing alley, the pedestrian connection shall be visually contrasted from the alley either by a change in material or a grade separation above the alley in a manner that will not impede vehicular access to the alley. The purpose underlying this condition was to ensure that shelter guests had a safe means to access the property and enter the shelter from the public street right of way. Under the original proposed preliminary site plan, the primary entrance to the shelter was tucked in behind the two properties at 253 to 275 Division Street NE which forced shelter guests to walk down the alley in order to access the site and enter the shelter. Because of the safety issues and pedestrian/vehicle conflicts this would site configuration would potentially create, Condition 4 required the alley to be improved to visually define an area for pedestrians to walk without impeding vehicular traffic. This requirement would only apply, however, as a last resort option if there was no other means available to direct shelter guests from the public street right-of-way to the primary shelter entrance.

Under the proposed modification (Attachment I), the inclusion of the two additional properties has allowed for a more open, inviting, safe, and visible plaza entry on the south side of the building facing Division Street which is fully consistent with Condition 4.

Condition 8 of the original approval in part required the primary entrance for emergency shelter users to not be located along the Commercial Street frontage. As shown on the proposed modified site plan (Attachment I), and illustrated by the proposed building elevations (Attachment J), the primary guest entrance for emergency shelter users is not located along the Commercial Street frontage. Instead, the entrance is located along the frontage of Division Street fully consistent with Condition 8.
Because the subject property is located within the Riverfront Overlay Zone, it must conform to either the design review standards or design review guidelines of the overlay zone included under SRC 617.030(a)-(d). As previously indicated, the applicant also filed an application for a consolidated design review, site plan review, and zoning adjustment application for the proposed development in addition to the requested conditional use permit modification. The design review component of the application is for a Class 3 Design Review based on the design review guidelines of the Riverfront Overlay Zone.

A public hearing on the consolidated design review, site plan review, and zoning adjustment application was held before the City's Planning Commission on June 4, 2019. Subsequent to receiving public testimony on the proposal, the Planning Commission approved the proposed development subject to conditions. As provided in the Planning Commission's decision, the proposed development meets the applicable design review guidelines of the Riverfront Overlay Zone.

In the statement provided from the appellant it is indicated that the decision failed to address the applicable design standards of the Riverfront Overlay Zone in relation to the application of Condition 8. The Riverfront Overlay Zone has one design standard pertaining to building entrances adjacent to streets that is included under SRC 617.030(a)(2)(B)(ii). This design standard provides that,

“A primary building entrance shall be provided on each building façade facing a street. If a building has frontage on more than one street, a single primary building entrance may be provided at the corner of the building where the streets intersect.”

Though this design review standard is not specifically applicable to the proposed development because the proposal was reviewed for conformance with the applicable corresponding design review guidelines, the proposed development nevertheless conforms to this standard. As shown on the proposed modified site plan, and illustrated by the proposed building elevations, the proposed building includes multiple primary entrances. Two of these entrances, the entrance to the UGM administrative offices and the entrance for visitors, face Commercial Street; and a third entrance, the primary entrance for shelter and dayroom guests, faces Division Street NE. Because the proposed development includes a primary entrance on each building façade facing a street, and because the primary entrance for shelter guests is not located along the frontage of Commercial Street, the requested modification conforms to the building entrance requirements of the Riverfront Overlay Zone and is fully consistent with Condition 8.

As provided in the findings above, the proposed modification is consistent with the conditions of the original approval and therefore conforms to SRC 240.010(d)(1).

C. Significant changes to physical appearance of the development, use of the site, and impacts on surrounding properties.

The appeal filed by the appellant indicates, in summary that the Planning Administrator's decision failed to conform to SRC 240.010(d)(2) because the proposed modification will result in significant changes to the physical appearance
of the development, including the location of the building, the location and orientation of the primary client entry, and an increase in the proposed number of off-street parking spaces; significant changes to the use of the site, including how and where UGM clients access the shelter and how client activity will be monitored; and significant changes to impacts on surrounding properties, especially those near Division Street NE where client activity will be focused.

**Staff Response:** As provided in the Planning Administrator’s April 26, 2019, decision (Attachment F), the proposed modification conforms to SRC 240.010(d)(2). Under the modification, the proposed shelter facility will continue to remain on the southern portion of the site, there is no proposed increase to the maximum number of overnight occupants the facility is approved to serve, and all of the conditions established as part of the original conditional use permit approval to mitigate the potential impacts of the use on the immediate neighborhood will continue to apply.

Though incorporation of the two additional properties located at 253 and 275 Division Street NE into the proposed development allows for a portion of the use to extend onto those properties, thereby resulting in a slightly larger building (approximately 54,000 sq. ft. under the original proposal and 58,282 sq. ft. under the proposed modification), the proposed addition of only approximately 4,282 sq. ft. to the overall building area does not represent a substantial or significant change to the physical appearance of the development or use of the site. The added area allows for a building design with an improved interior spatial layout to better accommodate the conditions of the original approval which require secure covered storage for client and personal belongings and a men’s restroom that is available 24-hours a day.

In addition, incorporation of the two additional properties also allows for improved and safer access for shelter users to the site which is not oriented towards Commercial Street, consistent with original Conditions 4 and 8. The large open landscaped front entry area off of Division Street will be clearly visible from within the building by UGM staff to ensure improved visual surveillance and safety and will provide a safer and more direct connection to the public street. Under the original approval, the main guest entry area was a long narrow corridor located to the back of the building where visual surveillance was limited and the only pedestrian access to the entry was provided via the alley.

In regards to parking, the appellant indicates that the decision entirely failed to address the 114 parking spaces proposed, which exceeds the number of parking spaces permitted in the original approval. Under the original preliminary site plan a total of 105 off-street parking spaces were identified. As shown on the proposed modified site plan (Attachment I) a total of 114 spaces are proposed to be provided. The original conditional use permit did not approve the specific number of parking spaces for the proposed development because approval of parking and other specific details of development are instead reviewed and approved at the site of site plan review. As previously indicated, a consolidated design review, site plan review, and adjustment application for the proposed development has been submitted and approved by the Planning Commission. This application included
an adjustment to reduce the minimum required number of off-street parking spaces for the proposed shelter. The 114 spaces shown on the modified site plan reflect the number of parking spaces now approved to serve the proposed development as a result of the Planning Commission’s decision on the consolidated design review, site plan review, and adjustment application. Limiting the proposed development to the 105 spaces shown on the original preliminary site plan would result in the development falling further below the minimum parking requirements of the code. The nine additional spaces proposed with the modification brings the development into closer conformance with minimum parking requirements. These nine additional spaces will likewise help the development to fulfill its parking needs and reduce the potential for impacts related to parking.

Because the number of individuals that will be served by the shelter is not proposed to be increased and the degree of changes to the site and building design are minimal, the proposed modification does not result in significant changes to the physical appearance of the development, use of the site, or impacts on surrounding properties. Under the original preliminary design shelter guests had less usable area to gather outside of the building and would therefore likely need to leave the site and walk down the alley to the closest street, Division Street. The proposed modification allows for safer access where guests will no longer be required to walk down the alley in order to get to the nearest sidewalk and it also provides an improved gathering space for guests in front of the building rather than behind it. No evidence has been provided by the appellant demonstrating that inclusion of the two additional properties, and the resulting slight change to the size and configuration of the building, will result in a significant change in impacts on surrounding properties. Instead, the number of individuals served will remain the same, those individuals will be located on the southern end of the property near Division Street due to the location of the proposed shelter, and moving the primary guest entrance a relatively short distance to the north side of the building would not change potential impacts and instead take the design of the building out of conformance with the design review requirements of the overlay zone which require buildings to have entrances facing the street.

As identified, the proposed modification does not result in a significant change to the physical appearance of the development or the use of the site. The proposed modification will also not result in significant changes to impacts on surrounding properties because the intensity of the use is not proposed to change, the maximum number of allowed overnight guests will remain the same, and all of the conditions established as part of the original approval to mitigate the impacts of the proposed development will continue to apply.

The proposed modification allows for a facility that is better designed to meet the needs of the individuals it serves and provides for improved access and safety. The proposed modification conforms to SRC 240.010(d)(2).

D. Use not allowed in the zone.

The appeal filed by the appellant indicates that the Planning Administrator’s decision failed to conform to SRC 110.065 which requires developments and
approvals to be in conformity with all applicable regulations of the UDC. The appellant indicates, in summary, that the additional properties to be included in the modified conditional use permit approval are zoned CO (Commercial Office) and within the Riverfront Overlay Zone. The appellant indicates that within the underlying CO zone room and board facilities serving more than 75 persons are specifically prohibited and that within the Riverfront Overlay Zone, pursuant to SRC 617.015, any use that is prohibited in the underlying zone is prohibited in the overlay zone. The applicant explains that because room and board facilities serving more than 75 people are not allowed in the underlying CO zone, they are also not allowed in the Riverfront Overlay, and therefore a rezone changing the zoning of the additional properties on Division Street from CO to CB would be required before modification of the original approval could even be considered.

Staff Response: SRC 110.065 provides that:

“No property shall be developed, redeveloped, or changed in use; no building, structure, or premises shall be used or occupied; and no building or structure or portion thereof shall be erected, constructed, moved, structurally altered, or enlarged unless done so:

(a) In conformity with all applicable regulations in the UDC;
(b) In compliance with all conditions improved in any applicable land use action; and
(c) Only after applying for and securing all permits, licenses, or other approvals required by applicable laws and ordinance.”

As the appellant indicates, the two properties proposed to be incorporated into the UGM’s conditional permit approval are zoned CO (Commercial Office) and located within the Riverfront Overlay Zone.

Within the City of Salem, overlay zones allow uses and prescribe development standards that are intended to go beyond what is provided in an underlying zone. As such, overlay zones include standards that can be more or less restrictive than the standards provided in the underlying zone. In the case of the Riverfront Overlay Zone (SRC Chapter 617), additional uses beyond those allowed and prohibited in the underlying zone, and development standards and design review requirements beyond those applicable in the underlying zone, are established.

In the appeal filed by the appellant it is explained that because room and board facilities serving more than 75 persons are specifically prohibited within the underlying zone, and because the overlay zone also prohibits any use that is prohibited in the underlying zone, the proposed use in not allowed on the two additional CO zoned properties proposed to be included in the applicant’s conditional use modification request.

Pursuant to SRC 400.040(c), and as provided in the original conditional use permit approval, the proposed use of the property is classified as a Non-Profit Shelter, not a room and board facility as indicated in the appellant’s written statement.
Within the CO zone, pursuant to SRC 521.005, Table 521-1, non-profit shelters serving five or fewer persons are allowed as a permitted use, non-profit shelters serving six to 75 persons are allowed as a conditional use, and non-profit shelters serving more than 75 persons are prohibited. Because the proposed shelter will serve a maximum of 300 persons, the proposed shelter is a prohibited use in the CO zone, but because the property is located within the Riverfront Overlay Zone, it is also subject to the provisions of that overlay zone which includes requirements that apply beyond what is typically allowed or required in the underlying CO zone.

Pursuant to SRC 617.015, the Riverfront Overlay Zone provides that:

“Except as otherwise provided in this section, any use that is a permitted, special, conditional, or prohibited use in the underlying zone is a permitted, special, conditional, or prohibited use in the Riverfront Overlay Zone.

In the appeal filed by the appellant it is indicated that SRC 617.015 prohibits any use that is prohibited in the underlying zone, and because the CO zone prohibits the proposed use it is likewise prohibited in the underlying zone. This statement by the appellant is incorrect because it fails to recognize the proviso included at the beginning of SRC 617.015, which provides, “Except as otherwise provided in this section…”

After the introductory sentence of SRC 617.015, it goes on to identify five specific subsections, SRC 617.015(a)-(e), which further prescribe how the overlay zone further modifies and refines allowed uses. One of these subsections is SRC 617.015(c). This subsection is titled, “Additional conditional uses,” and goes on to provide that, “The uses set forth in Table 617-2 are additional conditional (C) uses in the Riverfront Overlay Zone.” Pursuant to this subsection, non-profit shelters are allowed as an additional conditional use within the Riverfront Overlay Zone and are specifically limited to, “Relocation of an existing nonprofit shelter from the CB zone serving more than 75 people, provided the shelter continually existed in the CB zone as of September 1, 1993.”

As approved under the original conditional use permit, the proposed shelter is being relocated from a CB zoned location in the downtown at 345 Commercial Street NE, it has continually existed in the CB zone as of September 1, 1993, and it serves more than 75 people. As such, the proposed use qualifies as an additional conditional use within the overlay zone and because the overlay zone is intended to allow uses beyond those allowed in the underlying zone, whether it’s CB, as with the original conditional use permit approval, or CO, under the requested modification, the proposed shelter is an allowed use on the property and therefore conforms to the provisions of SRC 110.065.

Furthermore, the proposed development will conform to all conditions of the land use actions approved for the project and all required permits and approvals will be obtained. The proposed development conforms to SRC 110.065.
RECOMMENDATION

Based upon the Facts and Findings contained in this staff report, staff recommends the Hearings Officer **AFFIRM** the April 26, 2019, Planning Administrator’s decision approving the Union Gospel Mission of Salem’s requested modification to their conditional use permit to incorporate two additional properties located at 253 to 275 Division Street NE into their conditional use permit approval for the relocation of their existing men’s shelter from its current location at 345 Commercial Street NE to the proposed new location in the 700 to 800 blocks of Commercial Street NE and 253 to 275 Division Street NE.

**Attachments:**

A. Notice of Appeal Submitted by Gerald Bieze
B. Vicinity Map
C. Planning Administrator Decision on Replat Case No. REP19-03 (May 10, 2019).
D. City Council Decision on Conditional Use / Zone Change Case No. CU-ZC17-14 (May 29, 2018)
E. Public Comments Received During Initial Review of Application
F. Planning Administrator Decision on Modification of Conditional Use Permit Case No. CU-ZC17-14MOD1 (April 26, 2019)
G. Original Proposed Preliminary Site Plan
H. Applicant’s Proposed Site Lighting & Security Camera Plan
I. Applicant’s Proposed Modified Site Plan
J. Applicant’s Proposed Building Elevations

Prepared by Bryce Bishop, Planner II
1. GENERAL DATA REQUIRED [to be completed by the appellant]

CU-ZC17-14MOD1 April 26, 2019

Case # Being Appealed Decision Date
700-800 Block of Commercial St. NE and 253-275 Division Street NE

Address of Subject Property
1118 Northshore Road, Lake Oswego, OR 97034

Appellants Mailing Address with zip code
gmbieze@gmail.com 503-807-1226

Appellant’s E-mail Address Day-time Phone / Cell Phone

Appellant’s Representative or Professional to be contacted regarding matters on this application, if other than appellant listed above:
[Please see attached]

Name Mailing Address with ZIP Code

E-Mail Address Day-time Phone / Cell Phone

2. SIGNATURES OF ALL APPELLANTS

Signature: Gerald Bieze Date: 5/13/19
Gerald Bieze, an individual

Printed Name:

Signature: Gerald Bieze Date: 5/13/19
Gerald Bieze, as member of 9th Street LLC and as member of Second and Center St. LLC

Printed Name:

3. REASON FOR APPEAL Attach a letter, briefly summarizing the reason for the Appeal. Describe how the proposal does not meet the applicable criteria as well as verification establishing the appellants standing to appeal the decision as provided under SRC 300.1010.

FOR STAFF USE ONLY
Received By: HEF Date: 5/13/19 Receipt No: 19-104587-20
Appeal Deadline: May 13th 2019 Case Manager: Bryce Bishop
NOTICE OF APPEAL
May 13, 2019

To: City of Salem Planning Division  
Room 305  
555 Liberty Street SE  
Salem, OR 97301

Re: Appeal of Decision of the Planning Administrator (the “Decision”)  
Modification of Conditional Use and Zone Change  
Case NO.: CU-ZC17-14MOD1 (the “CUP Modification”)  
Application No.: 19-104587-ZO  
700-800 block of Commercial St. NE and 253-275 Division St. NE  
Notice of Decision Date: April 26, 2019

Appellants: Mr. Gerald Bieze, an individual  
9th Street LLC, an Oregon limited liability company  
Second and Center St. LLC, an Oregon limited liability company

Appellants’ Address:  
1118 Northshore Road, Lake Oswego, OR 97034

Appellants’ Standing: Appellants have standing to appeal under SRC § 300.520(f)(2)  
because they are property owners of record within 250 feet of the  
subject property that were entitled to notice of the Decision  
pursuant to SRC § 300.520(c)(1)(E). Appellant Gerald Bieze is a  
member of both 9th Street LLC, an Oregon limited liability company  
and Second and Center St. LLC, an Oregon limited liability company –  
the entities that own the property located at 250 Division St. NE,  
Salem, OR 97301 (“Appellants’ Property”). Appellants’ Property is  
located directly across Division St. NE from 253-275 Division St. NE  
(also known as Tax Lots 2000 and 2100), the properties at issue in  
the Decision (the “Additional Properties”).

Appellants also have standing to appeal under SRC § 300.520(f)(2)  
because Mr. Bieze provided comment during the public comment  
period on behalf of himself and the entities which own the  
Appellants’ Property. On March 25, 2019, Appellants’ attorney  
submitted Appellants’ written comments regarding the CUP  
Modification (“Appellants’ Comment Letter”) to Mr. Bryce Bishop,  
City of Salem Planner II/Planning Administrator Designee via  
electronic mail. A summary of Appellants’ comments was provided in the Decision.
Appellants' Representatives  
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Appellants are appealing the Decision on the following grounds. Appellants reserve the right to raise additional issues and arguments and to present additional evidence at the de novo hearing.

1. The Decision failed to conform to SRC § 240.001. SRC § 240.001 provides that the very purpose of Chapter 240 is to undertake a "review" in order "to determine whether the imposition of conditions is necessary to minimize the negative impacts on uses in the surrounding area." The Decision erred in failing to consider the likely adverse impacts of the modified use on Appellants' Property, which is an adjacent surrounding property in the immediate neighborhood of the Additional Properties. These likely adverse impacts on the adjacent surrounding property could, and should, have been minimized through the imposition of reasonable additional conditions of approval.

2. The Decision failed to conform to SRC § 240.005. The proposed modification should have been reviewed as a new conditional use permit under the criteria set forth in SRC § 240.005.

3. The Decision failed to conform to SRC § 240.010. The proposed modification does not meet the criteria set forth in SRC § 240.010(d) for granting modification of a conditional use permit and therefore requires submittal of a new application for conditional use permit pursuant to SRC § 240.010(a).

4. The Decision failed to conform to SRC § 240.010(d)(1). The proposed modification is substantially inconsistent with the conditions of the original approval.

   a. The Decision made inadequate findings to support the conclusion that the modification is consistent with Condition 1 of the original approval requiring video surveillance of the entire surface of the alleyway. The Decision erred in failing to consider the purposes and rationale for imposing Condition 1 in the original approval, which purposes and rationale should have been reconsidered in light of the reorientation of the development and incorporation of the Additional Properties that substantially changed the reasons for imposing
Condition 1 in the original approval. The Decision erred in summarily concluding that merely applying the same conditions that existed in the original approval to the modification application resulted in consistency.

b. The Decision made inadequate findings to support the conclusion that the modification is consistent with Condition 4 of the original approval requiring a pedestrian connection to be provided within the development to connect the main guest entrance into the proposed shelter to a public sidewalk within an abutting street or alley.

c. The Decision made inadequate findings to support the conclusion that the modification is consistent with Condition 8 of the original approval requiring that the "primary entrance for emergency shelter users shall not be located along Commercial Street frontage."

   i. In applying Condition 8 to the modification application, the Decision failed to address the applicable design standards of the Riverfront Overlay Zone.

5. The Decision failed to conform to SRC § 240.010(d)(2). The proposed modification will result in significant changes when compared with the original conditional use approval.

   a. The proposed modification will result in significant changes to the physical appearance of the development, including the size of the building, the location of the building, and the location and orientation of the primary client entry. The Decision concluded the changes were "better" without applying the proper criteria set forth in SRC § 240.010(d)(2) of "significant change."

   b. The proposed modification will result in significant changes to the use of the site, including how and where UGM clients access the shelter and how client activity will be monitored. The Decision concluded the intensity of use would not increase, but failed to apply the SRC § 240.010(d)(2) criteria of "significant change" to the changes in use.

   c. The proposed modification will result in significant changes to the impacts on surrounding properties, especially those properties near Division Street NE, where client activity will be focused. The Decision concluded Division Street NE was "arguably the best location" (italics added) for client entry, but the Decision failed to apply the SRC § 240.010(d)(2) criteria of "significant change" to the changes in impacts on surrounding properties.
i. The Decision failed to consider or require conditions of approval to mitigate adverse impacts to the Appellants' Property, as required by SRC § 240.001 and § 240.005(d);

6. The Decision entirely failed to consider or address the 114 parking spaces proposed, which exceed the number of parking spaces permitted in the original approval. SRC § 240.005(c)(3).

7. The Decision failed to conform to the City of Salem Unified Development Code ("UDC") Section 110.065, requiring developments and approvals to be in conformity with all applicable regulations in the UDC.

   a. The Additional Properties are located within the Commercial Office ("CO") Zone and the Riverfront Overlay Zone ("Overlay Zone"). In the Overlay Zone, relocations of an existing nonprofit shelter serving more than 75 persons may be allowed as a conditional use; however, SRC § 617.015 provides that any use that is prohibited in the underlying zone is prohibited in the Overlay Zone. In the underlying CO Zone, the development of room and board serving more than 75 persons is specifically prohibited under SRC §521.005, Table 521-1; therefore, it is also prohibited in the Overlay Zone. Under the applicable provisions of the UDC, a rezone changing the zoning of the Additional Properties from CO to CB would be required before the modification of the original approval could even be considered.

   Gerald Bieze

9th Street LLC,
an Oregon limited liability company

By: ________________________________

   Gerald Bieze, its member

Second and Center St. LLC,
an Oregon limited liability company

By: ________________________________

   Gerald Bieze, its member
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DECISION OF THE PLANNING ADMINISTRATOR

REPLAT CASE NO.: REP19-03

APPLICATION NO.: 19-106447-LD

NOTICE OF DECISION DATE: May 10, 2019

SUMMARY: An application to consolidate seven existing properties into one lot approximately 2.57 acres in size in order to accommodate the proposed relocation and development of the Union Gospel Mission (UGM) of Salem’s men’s shelter.

REQUEST: A replat to consolidate seven existing properties (comprised of Lots 1-4 of Block 54 and Lots 1-4 of Block 55 of the Salem plat) into one lot approximately 2.57 acres in size. The subject property is zoned CB (Central Business District) and CO (Commercial Office) with Riverfront Overlay, and is located in the 700 to 800 blocks of Commercial Street NE and 253 to 275 Division Street NE (Marion County Assessor Map and Tax Lot Numbers: 073W22AC03300 and 073W22DB01600, 1700, 1800, 1900, 2000 & 2100).

APPLICANT: Union Gospel Mission of Salem

LOCATION: 700 to 800 Blocks of Commercial Street NE & 253 to 275 Division Street NE / 97301

CRITERIA: Salem Revised Code 205.025(d)

FINDINGS: The findings are in the attached Decision dated May 10, 2019.

DECISION: The Planning Administrator APPROVED Replat Case No. REP19-03 subject to the following conditions of approval:

Condition 1: For the existing slope easement (Reel 189, Page 1300) shown to be vacated on the replat tentative plan, the applicant shall either:

   a) Obtain City approval to quitclaim the easement prior to final plat approval; or
   b) Show the existing slope easement on the final plat.

The rights granted by the attached decision must be exercised, or an extension granted, by May 29, 2021 or this approval shall be null and void.

Application Deemed Complete: March 21, 2019
Notice of Decision Mailing Date: May 10, 2019
Decision Effective Date: May 29, 2019
State Mandate Date: July 19, 2019

Case Manager: Bryce Bishop, bbishop@cityofsalem.net.
This decision is final unless written appeal from an aggrieved party is filed with the City of Salem Planning Division, Room 305, 555 Liberty Street SE, Salem OR 97301, **no later than 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 28, 2019.** The notice of appeal must contain the information required by SRC 300.1020 and must state where the decision failed to conform to the provisions of the applicable code section, SRC Chapter(s) 205. The appeal must be filed in duplicate with the City of Salem Planning Division. The appeal fee must be paid at the time of filing. If the appeal is untimely and/or lacks the proper fee, the appeal will be rejected. The Salem Planning Commission will review the appeal at a public hearing. After the hearing, the Planning Commission may amend, rescind, or affirm the action, or refer the matter to staff for additional information.

The complete case file, including findings, conclusions and conditions of approval, if any, is available for review at the Planning Division office, Room 305, City Hall, 555 Liberty Street SE, during regular business hours.

http://www.cityofsalem.net/planning

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May 30, 2018

Si necesita ayuda para comprender esta información, por favor llame 503-588-6173.

NOTICE OF FINAL LAND USE DECISION         Conditional Use / Quasi-Judicial Zone Change
Case No. CU-ZC17-14                          for property located at 700-800 Blocks of
for property located at 700-800 Blocks of   Commercial Street NE

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the City Council at their May 29, 2018 session, adopted findings affirming and modifying the Hearings Officer’s decision for the Union Gospel Mission of Salem’s Conditional Use and Quasi-Judicial Zone Change application. A copy of the Order is attached.

Any person with standing may appeal the City Council’s decision by filing a “Notice of Intent to Appeal” with the Land Use Board of Appeals, 775 Summer St NE, Suite 330, Salem OR 97301-1283, not later than 21 days after May 30, 2018. Anyone with questions regarding filing an appeal with the Oregon Land Use Board of Appeals should contact an attorney.

The complete case file, including findings, conclusions, modifications, and conditions of approval, if any is available for review at the Community Development Department, 555 Liberty St SE, Room 305, Salem OR 97301. If you have any further questions, you may contact the City of Salem Planning Division at 503-588-6173.

Lisa Anderson-Ogilvie, AICP
Deputy Community Development Director
and Planning Administrator

Attachment: Order
BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPEAL OF DECISION OF THE HEARINGS OFFICER FOR CONDITIONAL USE / QUASI-JUDICIAL ZONE CHANGE CASE NO. CU-ZC17-14

ORDER NO. 2018-04 CU-ZC17-14

CONDITIONAL USE / QUASI-JUDICIAL ZONE CHANGE CASE NO. CU-ZC17-14

This matter coming regularly for hearing before the City Council, at its April 23, 2018, meeting, and subsequently deliberated upon, at its May 14, 2018, meeting; and the City Council, having received evidence and heard testimony, makes the following findings, and adopts the following order affirming and modifying the decision of the Hearings Officer in Conditional Use/Quasi-Judicial Zone Change Case No. CU-ZC17-14, and approving the application.

PROCEDURAL FINDINGS:

(a) On November 14, 2017, Jeff Tross, of Tross Consulting, Inc., filed a consolidated conditional use permit and quasi-judicial zone change application on behalf of the applicant and property owner, the Union Gospel Mission of Salem, to allow for the relocation of the UGM’s existing men’s shelter at 345 Commercial Street NE to a proposed new location in the 700 to 800 blocks of Commercial Street NE and to change the underlying zoning of the property from CO (Commercial Office) to CB (Central Business District).

(b) On December 20, 2017, a public hearing on the proposal was conducted before the Hearings Officer. Prior to the close of the public hearing a request was received by David Glennie to hold the hearing open to allow for additional time to review the proposal and provide additional comments. The Hearings Officer closed the public hearing and held open the record until January 5, 2018, for the submission of new evidence, and January 22, 2018, for rebuttal by the applicant.

(c) On February 9, 2018, after receiving additional evidence and argument from the public and final rebuttal from the applicant, the Hearings Officer issued a decision approving the quasi-judicial zone change and approving the conditional use permit, subject to conditions of approval (Exhibit 1).

(d) On February 23, 2018, an appeal of the Hearings Officer’s decision was filed by Mr. Glennie (the appellant).

(e) On April 23, 2018, the City Council conducted a hearing to receive evidence and testimony regarding the appeal of the Hearings Officer’s February 9, 2018, decision.

(f) After receiving evidence and testimony on the appeal, a request was made by the applicant and the appellant to leave the record open to allow for the submission of additional evidence and argument in response to new information and materials presented during the public hearing. The City Council granted the request and voted to close the public hearing and leave the written record open until April 30, 2018, for the submission of new evidence and argument; May 7, 2018, for rebuttal from all parties (but no new evidence); and May 11, 2018, for final argument from the applicant.

(g) On May 14, 2018, the City Council conducted deliberations on the appeal and voted to affirm the Hearings Officer’s decision approving the application, subject to modifications to the
conditions of approval of the conditional use permit as provided herein. The City Council hereby adopts the findings of fact and conclusions of law in the Hearings Officer's decision in their entirety; together with the supplemental findings of fact included in Exhibit 2.

(h) The original state mandated local decision deadline for this application was March 21, 2018. Subsequent extensions to the state mandated local decision deadline granted by the applicant have extended the 120-day local decision deadline to May 30, 2018.

SUBSTANTIVE FINDINGS:

The City Council adopts the following findings for this decision:

(a) As provided in the February 9, 2018, Hearings Officer Decision, the requested quasi-judicial zone change to change the zoning of the subject property from CO (Commercial Office) to CB (Central Business District) meets all of the criteria for approval of a quasi-judicial zone change set forth in SRC 265.005(e). The CB zone is equally or better suited for the property than the existing CO zone. The zone change complies with all applicable provisions of the Salem Area Comprehensive Plan, Statewide Planning Goals, and administrative rules adopted by the Department of Land Conservation and Development. The zone change will not significantly affect a transportation facility and the property is currently served with public facilities and services necessary to support the uses allowed by the CB zone.

(b) The February 9, 2018, Hearings Officer Decision established five conditions of approval to minimize the reasonably likely adverse impacts of the proposed use on the immediate neighborhood in conformance with SRC 240.005(d). During the course of the proceedings before the City Council on the appeal of the Hearings Officer’s decision, the following six additional conditions of approval were recommended by the Applicant and staff:

Condition 6: The shelter and transitional housing facility shall be limited to a maximum number of 300 overnight occupants, of which a minimum of 78 beds shall be committed for transitional housing occupants.

Condition 7: The applicant shall install secure, covered storage for client personal belongings.

Condition 8: The design of the proposed shelter shall incorporate the following additional requirements:
   a) Exterior gathering spaces shall be visible from within the buildings;
   b) Shrubs shall not exceed 36 inches in height; and
   c) The primary entrance for emergency shelter users shall not be located along the Commercial Street frontage.

Condition 9: The site’s grounds shall be monitored 24-hours a day by staff through video surveillance or patrols.

Condition 10: As a condition of site plan review application submittal, the applicant shall provide a photometric plan identifying the site’s proposed lighting fixtures, placements, and illumination intensity.

Condition 11: The shelter shall provide an indoor restroom to be available to men twenty-four hours a day.
The above conditions respond to comments received during the application review process and further demonstrate that the potential adverse impacts of the proposed use can be minimized by conditions of approval as required by SRC 240.005(d)(2).

(c) Additional Condition No. 8.c requires the primary entrance for shelter users to not be located along the Commercial Street NE frontage. This condition of approval was proposed by the Applicant and recommended by staff in order to direct shelter users away from Commercial Street so as to minimize impacts from pedestrian congestion in the front of the building along Commercial Street NE. This condition of approval, however, conflicts with Condition No. 1 established in the Hearings Officer’s decision which requires the primary customer entrance to be either oriented to Commercial Street or to the alley, in conjunction with video surveillance of the alleyway.

In the Applicant’s final written argument dated May 11, 2018, the Applicant requested Condition No. 1 of the Hearings Officer’s decision be modified as follows to reflect the Applicant’s election of the video surveillance option allowed under the condition, in lieu of orienting client access and storage off Commercial Street:

**Condition 1:** As a condition of the future development of the property, the applicant shall either reorient the development so that the primary customer entrance and outside storage and waiting areas are accessed from and oriented towards Commercial Street NE, rather than the alley, or shall install video surveillance cameras and appropriate signage that capture video of the entire surface of the alleyway from Division to D Street NE. Video files shall be continuously stored on site for no less than 14 days. Camera and sign locations shall be determined at the time of site plan review and design review.

(d) As provided in the supplemental findings of fact, included as Exhibit 2, the evidence and testimony included in the record, and the February 9, 2018, Hearings Officer Decision, included as Exhibit 1, except as modified herein, the requested conditional use permit to allow the relocation of the Applicant’s existing non-profit shelter from its existing location at 345 Commercial Street NE, to the proposed new location in the 700 to 800 blocks of Commercial Street NE, with an expanded capacity meets all of the criteria for approval of a conditional use permit set forth in SRC 240.005. The proposed use is a conditional use within the Riverfront Overlay Zone; the reasonably likely adverse impacts of the proposed use on the immediate neighborhood can and will be minimized through the conditions of approval established for this decision; and the proposed use will be reasonably compatible with and have minimal impact on the livability or appropriate development pattern of surrounding property.

(e) The supplemental findings of fact, attached hereto as Exhibit 2 are incorporated to this decision as if set forth herein.

(f) The February 9, 2018, Hearings Officer’s Decision, attached hereto as Exhibit 1, except as modified herein, is incorporated into this decision as if set forth herein; specifically, the findings of fact pertaining to SRC 240.005(d) and the related conditions of approval beginning on page 18 and ending on page 26 are expressly superseded by this Order and the supplemental findings of fact adopted as Exhibit 2.

(g) The City Council therefore APPROVES the application for the conditional use permit and quasi-judicial zone change, as proposed and subject to the additional recommended conditions of approval and the proposed modification to Condition No. 1.
NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM, OREGON:

Section 1. The Hearings Officer's decision for Conditional Use Permit and Quasi-Judicial Zone Change Case No. CU-ZC17-14 is hereby modified to include the revisions to Condition 1 shown in bold strikethrough below; together with the following additional conditions of approval shown in underline:

Condition 1: As a condition of the future development of the property, the applicant shall either reorient the development so that the primary customer entrance and outside storage and waiting areas are accessed from and oriented towards Commercial Street NE, rather than the alley, or shall install video surveillance cameras and appropriate signage that capture video of the entire surface of the alleyway from Division to D Street NE. Video files shall be continuously stored on site for no less than 14 days. Camera and sign locations shall be determined at the time of site plan review and design review.

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Condition 9: The site's grounds shall be monitored 24-hours a day by staff through video surveillance or patrols.

Condition 10: As a condition of site plan review application submittal, the applicant shall provide a photometric plan identifying the site's proposed lighting fixtures, placements, and illumination intensity.

Condition 11: The shelter shall provide indoor restroom to be available to men twenty-four hours a day.

Section 2. This order constitutes the final land use decision and any appeal must be filed with the Oregon Land Use Board of Appeals within 21 days of the date that notice of this decision is mailed to persons with standing to appeal.
ADOPTED by the City Council this 29th day of May, 2018.

ATTEST:

[Signature]
City Recorder

Checked by: Bryce Bishop
Si necesita ayuda para comprender esta información, por favor llame 503-588-6173

DECISION OF THE HEARINGS OFFICER

CONDITIONAL USE / QUASI-JUDICIAL ZONE CHANGE CASE NO. CU-ZC17-14

APPLICATION NO.: 17-122248-ZO & 17-122249-ZO

NOTICE OF DECISION DATE: FEBRUARY 9, 2018

SUMMARY: A consolidated application for a Conditional Use Permit and Zone Change for the proposed relocation of the Union Gospel Mission (UGM) of Salem's men's shelter.

REQUEST: A consolidated application for a Conditional Use Permit and Zone Change for the proposed relocation of the Union Gospel Mission (UGM) of Salem's men's shelter from its current downtown location at 345 Commercial Street NE to a proposed new location on property located in the 700 to 800 blocks of Commercial Street NE.

The application includes the following:

1) A Conditional Use Permit to allow the relocation the UGM's existing Non-Profit Shelter with an expanded capacity to serve approximately 300 persons; and

2) A Zone Change to change the zoning of the property from CO (Commercial Office) with Riverfront Overlay to CB (Central Business District) with Riverfront Overlay in order to establish the existing UGM retail store located at the northern end of the property as a permitted conforming use rather than an existing non-conforming use.

The subject property totals approximately 2.3 acres in size, is currently zoned CO (Commercial Office) with Riverfront Overlay, and is located in the 700 to 800 blocks of Commercial Street NE (Marion County Assessor Map and Tax Lot Numbers: 073W22AC03300 and 073W22DB01600, 1700, 1800, & 1900).

APPLICANT: Dan Clem for Union Gospel Mission of Salem

LOCATION: 700-800 Blocks of Commercial Street NE / 97301

CRITERIA: Conditional Use: SRC Chapter 240.005(d)
Quasi-Judicial Zone Change: SRC Chapter 265.005(e)(1)

FINDINGS: The findings are in the attached Order dated February 9, 2018.

DECISION: The Hearings Officer APPROVED Conditional Use / Quasi-Judicial Zone Change Case No. CU-ZC17-14 subject to the following conditions of approval:

Condition 1: As a condition of the future development of the property, the applicant shall either reorient the development so that the primary customer entrance and outside storage and waiting areas are accessed from and oriented towards Commercial Street NE, rather than the alley, or shall install video surveillance.
cameras and appropriate signage that capture video of the entire surface of the alleyway from Division to D Street NE. Video files shall be continuously stored on site for no less than 14 days. Camera and sign locations shall be determined at the time of site plan review and design review.

**Condition 2:** As a condition of the future development of the property, appropriate signage directing patrons to the outside waiting areas on the property and discouraging loitering or obstructing the public sidewalk shall be installed on the property. Signage shall be at locations and in a form determined at the time of site plan review and design review.

**Condition 3:** As a condition of the future development of the property, a State Highway Approach/access permit shall be obtained for each proposed driveway connection onto Commercial Street NE.

**Condition 4:** A pedestrian connection shall be provided within the development to connect the main guest entrance into the proposed shelter to a public sidewalk within an abutting street. If the only means of connecting to a public sidewalk within an abutting street is via the existing alley, the pedestrian connection shall be visually contrasted from the alley either by a change in material or a grade separation above the alley in a manner that will not impede vehicular access to the alley.

**Condition 5:** Any outside storage areas, including outside storage areas for personal belongings, shall be screened by a minimum 6-foot-tall sight-obscuring fence, wall, or hedge.

The rights granted by the attached decision for Conditional Use Case No. CU-ZC17-14 must be exercised, or an extension granted, by **February 27, 2020** or this approval shall be null and void.

Application Deemed Complete: November 21, 2017
Public Hearing Date: December 20, 2017
Notice of Decision Mailing Date: February 9, 2018
Decision Effective Date: February 27, 2018
State Mandate Date: April 20, 2018

Case Manager: Bryce Bishop, bbishop@cityofsalem.net; 503.540.2399

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Hi There,

I am writing in support of the new UGM facility. As a board member of UGM I am proud of the work we've done to make this new space community focused and built to honor the local businesses.

Thanks,
Bryce
Bryce Bishop

From: Lee Klampe <LeeKlampe@bhhswrep.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 28, 2019 12:25 PM
To: Bryce Bishop
Subject: Conditional Use Permit

Good day, I am contacting you in support of allowing the Union Gospel Mission the Conditional Use permit that includes the 2 parcels, Mike’s and BAM. I have been associated with the UGM for 26 years as a member of their Board of Directors. We simply seek providing a building that can change men’s lives by restoring their dignity with a building that is safe and provides a situation where learning can occur and addictions can be healed. If not the UGM who will try to help these men to lead productive lives? Thank you for your consideration. Lee Klampe

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What is YOUR home worth?
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I support UGM isn’t heir attempt to add the two parcels to their Building proposal.

Sent from my iPad
Dear Mr Bishop,
I wanted to send you a quick note concerning the application to modify the Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to include the 2 parcels (Mike’s and BAM) for the Union Gospel Mission of Salem. The mission has been in Salem downtown area for over 65 years. The services they have provided for homeless people in Marion and Polk counties have helped with life change, getting men and women off the streets. Please vote in favor to modify the conditional use permit to include the 2 parcels mentioned.
I have been a volunteer at UGM since 1991 and have seen first hand the work they have done. Moving to this new location will give them the space needed to serve more homeless in our community.
Thank you,
Candi Sue Hughes
Chairman of the Board of Directors
Union Gospel Mission of Salem

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android
March 25, 2019

Re: Adjacent property owner comments re: Modification of Conditional Use Permit Case No. CU-ZC17-14MOD1 AMANDA Application No. 19-104587-ZO (the "Proposal") Project Address: 700-800 blocks of Commercial St. NE and 253-275 Division St. NE, Salem, OR 97301

Mr. Bishop:

I have reviewed the Proposal referenced above and present the following comments on behalf of myself, Gerald Bieze, and on behalf of 9th Street LLC, an Oregon limited liability company and Second and Center St. LLC, an Oregon limited liability company – the entities which own the property located at 250 Division St. NE, Salem, OR 97301, which is currently leased to and operated by the State of Oregon, Teachers’ Standards and Practices Commission (the "Teachers’ Property").

The Teachers’ Property is located directly across Division St. NE from Tax Lots 2000 and 2100 – the additional properties applicant seeks to incorporate into its proposed development and include within the scope of Conditional Use Permit Case No. CU-ZC17-14MOD1 (the "CUP") via the proposed modification.

As detailed below, owners of the Teachers’ Property object to the proposed CUP modification on the following grounds:

(i) The proposed modification requires submittal of a new application for conditional use permit, rather than the modification of the existing CUP; and

(ii) If the City proceeds with modification of the existing CUP, then additional conditions of approval (including reorientation of the proposed project) should be included in the modified CUP.
I. The proposed modification requires submittal of a new application for conditional use permit.

Salem Revised Code ("SRC") Section 240.010(a) states: "A conditional use permit approval may be modified after its effective date if the proposed modification meets the criteria in this section. Proposed modifications that do not meet the criteria in this section require submittal of a new application for conditional use permit."

SRC 240.010(d) states that an application for modification of a conditional use permit approval shall be granted only if all of the following criteria are met: "(1) The proposed modification is not substantially inconsistent with the conditions of the original approval; and (2) When compared with the original approval, the proposed modification will not result in significant changes to the physical appearance of the development, the use of the site, and the impacts on surrounding properties." In this case, the Proposal does not satisfy either of the mandatory criteria for modification of an existing CUP; therefore, the modification should be denied and the applicant should seek a new conditional use permit for Tax Lots 2000 and 2100.

The proposed modification is substantially inconsistent with the conditions of original approval, in violation of SRC 240.010(d)(1).

The proposed modification requires submittal of a new conditional use application because the proposed modification is substantially inconsistent with the conditions of original approval. Original approval Condition 1, specifically, aims to mitigate the impacts of the original project design in which primary access for Union Gospel Mission ("UGM") clients was to be made via the alleyway. To wit, original approval Condition 1 states: "As a condition of the future development of the property, the applicant shall install video surveillance cameras and appropriate signage that capture video of the entire surface of the alleyway from Division to D Street NE." (emphasis added) This condition is inconsistent with the current Proposal, in which primary client access is oriented toward and made from Division Street. The City's Supplemental Findings for CU-ZC17-14 state: "...impacts of increased pedestrian use are being mitigated through conditions of approval." However, those conditions were not developed with the inclusion of Tax Lots 2000 and 2100 in mind, nor were those conditions intended to mitigate the impacts created by orienting the client access toward Division Street NE.

In fact, throughout the original approval process, much analysis and deliberation was directed toward client access being made via the alleyway or Commercial Street; no consideration was given to the situation (now presented in the Proposal) in which primary client access is oriented toward Division Street. A review of the record will demonstrate that applicant, appellant, and various commentators deliberated whether the project should be oriented toward Commercial Street or the alleyway, yet none of them considered or deliberated a project oriented toward Division Street. Likewise, the Hearing Officer and the City Council constructed their conditions of approval with the Commercial Street versus alleyway access in mind, but no discussion was had, nor were any conditions developed, concerning
orientation of client access toward Division Street. In addition, neither the Fire Department, nor the Building and Safety Division, nor the Public Works Department, nor Portland General Electric, nor any other public agencies or public or private service providers have had the opportunity to provide conditions of approval relevant to the modified project and the significant change in client access which was neither addressed nor accounted for in the existing conditions of approval.

In summary, the proposed modification is inconsistent with the conditions of original approval because the conditions of original approval address (and aim to mitigate the impacts relating to) a project in which client access is oriented toward the alleyway. By adding two additional properties, redesigning the project layout, relocating the 300-bed men's shelter building, and reorienting client access such that the primary client entrance and outside storage and waiting areas are oriented toward Division Street instead of the alleyway, the proposed modification is entirely different from the project which was considered in the original approval and addressed by the original conditions. The conditions of original approval are inconsistent with and inapplicable to the current project. As such, the newly proposed project requires new conditions of approval, as well as the benefit of the full and complete review afforded by a new conditional use permit application as a Type III procedure.

*When compared with the original approval, the proposed modification will result in significant changes to the physical appearance of the development, the use of the site, and the impacts on surrounding properties, in violation of SRC 240.010(d)(2).*

Even if the City were to find the criteria of SRC 240.010(d)(1) satisfied, the City is nonetheless required to reject the proposed modification under subsection (2). SRC 240.010(d)(2) requires that “the proposed modification will not result in significant changes to the physical appearance of the development, the use of the site, and the impacts on surrounding properties.” As detailed below, the proposed modification will in fact result in significant changes to the physical appearance of the development, the use of the site, and the impacts on surrounding properties.

*Significant changes to the physical appearance of the development and the use of the site.*

As depicted below, the proposed modification completely changes the physical appearance of the development and the use of the site by relocating the proposed shelter and, most significantly, by reorienting the entire project so that the primary client entrance and outside storage and waiting areas are oriented toward Division Street, instead of the alleyway as was addressed in the original approval.
In the modified plan, as opposed to the original approval, the 3-story men's shelter building has changed orientation and location, the overall footprint of the proposed building appears to have increased, and, most significantly, the design and orientation of the primary client access has been completely altered. In the original proposal, the applicant had provided a long walkway from the alleyway to the primary client entrance to the building, thereby creating substantial distance between the entrance and the alleyway, which could have the effect of decreasing loitering in the alleyway and minimizing the impact to businesses along the alleyway from potential loitering. In contrast, in the proposed modification, there is a much shorter distance between Division Street and the entrance to the building, increasing the likelihood of loitering in Division Street and onto the adjacent Teachers' Property. In the modified plan, access to the shelter is further removed from access to the retail store and from the entrances used by UGM employees and guests. This distancing not only changes the appearance and use of the site, but further removes clients from passive surveillance that may have been afforded by UGM employees and guests using other areas of the project adjacent to the alleyway.

The Proposal's changes to the physical appearance of the development and use of the site also create potential safety issues for UGM clients. Because the Proposal places the client entry courtyard so close to Division Street, UGM clients accessing the entry, loitering nearby, and any overflow clients waiting for access to the courtyard and shelter will be in harms way of delivery vehicles, waste management vehicles, and the various other vendor trucks that utilize the Division Street cul de
sac. Just as applicant and the City Council determined it would be unsafe for clients to access the project via Commercial Street, so would it be unsafe for clients to access the project via Division Street. A far safer approach, as detailed below in section II of this comment letter, would be to orient the client entry to the north, facing the applicant’s parking lot and away from all public streets; however, because the Proposal is attempting to make such significant changes to the appearance and use of the site without a proper Type III review, options for optimizing UGM client safety have not been fully vetted. Given the significant changes applicant is proposing to make, client safety is another reason applicant must apply for a new conditional use permit, as required by SRC 240.010(d)(2).

Applicant seems to imply that its proposed changes do not rise to the level of SRC 240.010(d)(2) “significance” because Tax Lots 2000 and 2100 only increase the overall size of the project by 9.6% (Proposal page 7). However, this ignores the fact that with the inclusion of the additional properties, the applicant has completely revamped the project design and reoriented the client entrance point. While the percentage of land added to the overall site may be small, applicant’s complete overhaul and redesign of the project is anything but insignificant.

Of all the changes to the physical appearance and use of the site, applicant’s reorientation of the primary client access is the most significant. Orientation of the client access area was discussed at length during the original approval process; however, that discussion considered only whether client access should be oriented toward the alleyway or Commercial Street; it did not include an analysis of client access oriented toward Division Street, as applicant now proposes. Given the depth of analysis, discussion, and negotiation devoted to client access orientation in the original approval process (and considering the conditions of original approval were drafted, negotiated, and revised because of the issue of orientation), it is clear this is a significant issue. How can it be, then, that applicant could completely change the project’s orientation without this being a “significant” change to the appearance and use of the project under SRC 240.010(d)(2)? This most definitely is a significant change and, pursuant to SRC 240.010(d)(2), this issue, alone, requires that the Proposal be denied and the applicant seek a new conditional use permit.

Significant impacts to surrounding properties.

In addition, under SRC 240.010(d)(2), the proposed modification should be denied because it will result in significant impacts to surrounding properties, most notably to the adjacent Teachers’ Property. As noted above, the Teachers’ Property is leased by the State of Oregon and houses the State of Oregon Teacher Standards and Practices Commission. Many teachers from across the State of Oregon come to this building to renew their teaching certificates. These teachers, as well as the staff employed at the State of Oregon Teacher Standards and Practices Commission office building, enter the Teachers’ Property via a driveway near the building and exit at the driveway that opens into the Division Street cul-de-sac, the very same area in which applicant proposes to locate the primary UGM client entry, out of sight of the
Police station and virtually any other assistance. If these teachers and staff are unable to utilize the Teachers' Property driveway because of loitering or an overflow from the UGM shelter, or if they feel concerned for their safety, then the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission will no longer be able to operate out of this building and the property will decrease in value. Hence, owners of the Teachers' Property have concerns about the significant impacts the Proposal could have on the Teachers' Property – concerns which were not considered or addressed during the original approval process because the original project did not include Tax Lots 2000 and 2100 and did not propose orienting the primary client entry toward Division Street.

As originally approved, the men’s shelter would have been located within Tax Lots 1700-1900 and, as noted above, the primary client entry would have been accessed from the alleyway on the east side of the project, to the north of Tax Lot 2000. Now, however, applicant proposes for the shelter to be located further south on the project site and, most significantly, for the primary client entrance and outside storage and waiting areas to be accessed from and oriented toward Division Street – directly across from and adjacent to the Teachers' Property.

As it stands, even without the existence of a 300-bed men’s shelter facing their driveway, the users of the Teachers’ Property are already dealing with multiple loitering and related issues (see attached Exhibit A photographs). According to an address survey of the Teachers’ Property provided by the Salem Police Department, from November of 2013 to September of 2018, there were nine Police actions required outside the Teachers’ Property, including calls for trespassing, urinating or defecating in public, disorderly conduct, FTA bench warrant or arraignment warrant, suspicious person, unlawful entry vehicle / Theft III, interference with Police Officer and FTA bench warrant, Criminal Mischief II, and vandalism. Most of these resulted in an arrest. In addition, users of the Teachers’ Property are required to call the Police on a weekly basis, simply to ask loiterers to move along. Whether such incidents relate to the proximity of the UGM retail store, owners of the Teachers’ Property cannot say; however, it is foreseeable that such impacts will increase with the development of a men’s shelter across the street and it is clear that such impacts are incompatible with use of the Teachers’ Property as a commercial office building.

In his review, the Hearing Officer noted that adverse impacts at the current shelter location included “improper and illegal behavior” and he posited that such impacts “may be due to the deficiencies of that location – the size, lack of available space for people waiting to be served...” (CU-ZC17-14 February 9, 2018, page 21) Although the project includes a 300-bed facility, restrooms, and the ability to accommodate far more clients than the existing facility, there is no evidence to support the idea that this new facility will be sufficient to meet the needs of all potential clients, nor has applicant provided evidence that the proposed courtyard will be sufficient to prevent overflow onto Division Street and the Teachers’ Property.
To the contrary, in the original approval process, the applicant explained: “the facility will be likely to attract a large amount of pedestrian traffic and that measures should be taken to discourage loitering on or obstructing the public sidewalk.” (CU-ZC17-14 February 9, 2018, page 23) In addition, the Hearing Officer noted: “Regarding pedestrian and bicycle traffic, the proposed shelter will generate increased amounts of pedestrian and bicycle activity in the area.” In order to minimize the potential of the public sidewalks being obstructed due to loitering, the Hearing Officer noted that the “proposed preliminary shelter design locates the main guest entry into the shelter, along with an adjacent plaza area, on the west side of the building facing the alley. The rear guest entry is reached via a pedestrian connection which leads to the alley, but does not connect to any other pedestrian route with a sidewalk.”

Thus, both the applicant and Hearing Officer acknowledged that the project will cause increased bicycle and pedestrian traffic and that steps need to be taken to minimize loitering and other adverse impacts, including improper and illegal activities. However, the mitigation efforts proffered by the applicant and the Hearing Officer and modified by the City Council -- specifically the orientation of the primary client access and storage areas toward the alleyway and video surveillance of the alleyway -- will not mitigate the impacts to the Teachers’ Property from a project in which the primary client access and storage areas are oriented toward and located immediately adjacent to Division Street and the Teachers’ Property. Accordingly, given that the modification will cause impacts to the Teachers’ Property which were not considered or mitigated against in the original approval, pursuant to SRC 240.010(d)(2), the Proposal must be denied and applicant must seek a new conditional use permit for the additional properties.

II. **If the City proceeds with modification of the existing CUP, additional conditions of approval should be incorporated into the modified CUP, including the requirement to reorient the primary client entry towards the north.**

The owners of the Teachers’ Property contend that the provisions of SRC 240.010 require that the Proposal for modification of the existing CUP be denied and that the applicant seek a new conditional use permit for Tax Lots 2000 and 2100. Nonetheless, in the event the City proceeds with modification of the existing CUP, then additional conditions of approval should be incorporated into the modified CUP, including the requirement that applicant reorient the primary client entry such that the entrance and outside storage and waiting areas are accessed from and oriented to the north, facing the applicant’s parking lot.

As detailed below, owners of the Teachers’ Property request a condition of approval requiring such reorientation because facing the primary client entry to the north, toward the applicant’s parking lot would (i) comply with the conditions of the existing CUP, (ii) allow for increased passive surveillance by both UGM employees
and by the future Police station, and (iii) significantly decrease adverse impacts to neighboring properties.

(i) North-facing orientation of the primary client entry would comply with the conditions of the existing CUP.

The Proposal envisions the primary client entry onto Division Street and states, on page 4: “Client access to the proposed shelter is from Division Street, as required by the conditions of the 2018 determination.” (emphasis added) However, this is a mischaracterization of the existing CUP. The 2018 determination does not require that client access come from Division Street NE; rather, Condition 8(c) requires that the primary entrance for emergency shelter users “not be located along the Commercial Street frontage.” Accordingly, there are alternate orientations of the project which would also comply with Condition 8(c), including a north-facing orientation in which the primary client entry faces the applicant’s parking lot.

(ii) North-facing orientation of the primary client entry would allow for increased passive surveillance.

Both the conditions of the existing CUP and the applicant’s own Proposal have highlighted the need for transparency and passive surveillance, yet: orienting the client’s primary entry toward Division Street is far less effective in accomplishing these goals than orienting the entry to the north, toward the applicant’s parking lot.

As noted in the Proposal, the new Salem Police facility will be constructed in the vacant lot to the east of the proposed project. If the primary client entry point is along Division Street, then the client entrance will be south of, and out of view of, the Police station. In fact, Police Officers called to respond to issues arising along Division Street would not have a direct route to access this area, as Division Street is a dead-end cul de sac and does not connect to Commercial Street. In contrast, if the project is reoriented so that client access is located on or near Tax Lot 1600, facing north into the UGM parking lot, clients would be within plain view and in direct line of sight of the future Police station and the Police station parking lot.

The Proposal states that the proposed modification will allow for “transparency from multiple points within the facility to the exterior gathering spaces, enhancing the passive surveillance of those approaching the shelter entrance courtyard.” As this is applicant’s goal, then orienting the primary client entrance to the north, facing the applicant’s parking lot, would actually allow for greater transparency and passive surveillance than hiding the entrance in the far end of the project site, out of sight of the new Police facility.

In addition, under the Proposal’s Division Street orientation, client access would be physically and visually separated from the staff and visitor entrance. This seems not only counter to the UGM’s mission of integrating homeless clients with society, but also counter to the need for passive surveillance. By orienting the client entry to the
north, towards the parking lot, clients would be more integrated into the project as a whole, there would be more opportunities for passive surveillance, and clients would have easier access to the UGM retail store.

(iii) **North-facing orientation of the primary client entry would decrease adverse impacts to neighboring properties.**

By reorienting the project so the client access area faces the UGM parking lot, the majority of client overflow or loitering or camping issues would be within view of the Police station and UGM employees and such issues would be primarily contained within the UGM project site. Containing such impacts within the UGM site would mean UGM staff could appropriately deal with any concerns themselves or determine when it is necessary to involve the Police. This not only would likely result in far fewer impacts to neighboring properties, but also would likely decrease the amount of calls the Police are required to respond to. UGM staff are presumably better trained and positioned to handle such issues than neighboring property users and they would have far greater flexibility in dealing with such impacts, including possibly cordoning off portions of their parking lot or making other on-site changes, as necessary, to accommodate the overflow and loitering issues that may arise.

**III. Conclusion.**

In conclusion, owners of the Teachers’ Property respectfully request that the Proposal for modification of the existing CUP be denied and applicant be required to apply for a new conditional use permit with respect to Tax Lots 2000 and 2100 or, at the very least, that approval of the Proposal be conditioned on reorientation of the project such that the primary client entrance and outside storage and waiting areas are accessed from and oriented to the north, facing the applicant’s parking lot.

Owners of the Teachers’ Property understand and appreciate the benefit a 300-bed men’s shelter will provide to our community and we support UGM in their efforts. Our intent is not to hinder development of the shelter, but rather to insure that the review and eventual approval of this project proceed through the proper channels to ensure the safest and most universally beneficial result for UGM, the UGM clients, the surrounding properties, and our community as a whole.

Finally, owners of the Teachers’ Property respectfully request that this comment letter be incorporated into the City’s final record on this matter so that we may reserve our right to appeal.

[Signature page follows.]
Sincerely,

Gerald Bieze

9th Street LLC,
an Oregon limited liability company

By: Gerald Bieze, its member

Second and Center St. LLC,
an Oregon limited liability company

By: Gerald Bieze, its member
DECISION OF THE PLANNING ADMINISTRATOR

MODIFICATION OF CONDITIONAL USE AND ZONE CHANGE CASE NO.: CU-ZC17-14MOD1

APPLICATION NO.: 19-104587-ZO

NOTICE OF DECISION DATE: APRIL 26, 2019

SUMMARY: A proposed modification to the Conditional Use Permit approval granted to the Union Gospel Mission (UGM) of Salem for the proposed relocation of their men's shelter from its current downtown location at 345 Commercial Street NE to the proposed new location on property located in the 700 to 800 blocks of Commercial Street NE. The purpose of the proposed modification is to incorporate the two remaining properties located on the eastern half of the block located at 253 to 275 Division Street NE into the proposed development. No change to the maximum number of persons approved to be served at the shelter is proposed and all conditions of approval established under the original conditional use permit will continue to apply.

REQUEST: A modification of Conditional Use Permit and Zone Change Case No. CU-ZC17-14 to modify the conditional use permit approval for the relocation of the Union Gospel Mission (UGM) of Salem's men's shelter to incorporate two additional properties located at 253 to 275 Division Street NE into the proposed development. No change to the maximum number of persons approved to be served at the shelter is proposed and all conditions of approval established under the original conditional use permit will continue to apply.

The subject property, including the two additional properties proposed to be included in the development, totals approximately 2.54 acres in size, is zoned CB (Central Business District) and CO (Commercial Office) with Riverfront Overlay, and is located in the 700 to 800 blocks of Commercial Street NE and at 253 to 275 Division Street NE (Marion County Assessor Map and Tax Lot Numbers: 073W22AC03300 and 073W22DB01600, 1700, 1800, 1900, 2000 & 2100).

APPLICANT: Craig Chaney of Merrick Lentz Architecture on behalf of the Union Gospel Mission of Salem

LOCATION: 700-800 Block of Commercial St NE and 253-275 Division St NE

CRITERIA: Salem Revised Code (SRC) Chapter 240.010(d)

FINDINGS: The findings are in the attached Decision dated April 26, 2019.

DECISION: The Planning Administrator APPROVED Conditional Use CU-ZC17-14MOD1 subject to the applicable standards of the Salem Revised Code, the findings contained in the attached Decision, and the findings and conditions adopted in the original approval for Conditional Use / Zone Change Case No. CU-ZC17-14.
The rights granted by the attached decision must be exercised, or an extension granted, by May 30, 2021 or this approval shall be null and void.

Application Deemed Complete: March 7, 2019
Notice of Decision Mailing Date: April 26, 2019
Decision Effective Date: May 14, 2019
State Mandate Date: July 5, 2019

Case Manager: Bryce Bishop, 503-540-2399, bbishop@cityofsalem.net.

This decision is final unless written appeal from an aggrieved party is filed with the City of Salem Planning Division, Room 305, 555 Liberty Street SE, Salem OR 97301, no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, May 13, 2019. The notice of appeal must contain the information required by SRC 300.1020 and must state where the decision failed to conform to the provisions of the applicable code section, SRC Chapter 240. The appeal must be filed in duplicate with the City of Salem Planning Division. The appeal fee must be paid at the time of filing. If the appeal is untimely and/or lacks the proper fee, the appeal will be rejected. The Hearings Officer will review the appeal at a public hearing. The Hearings Officer may amend, rescind, or affirm the action, or refer the matter to staff for additional information.

The complete case file, including findings, conclusions and conditions of approval, if any, is available for review at the Planning Division office, Room 305, City Hall, 555 Liberty Street SE, during regular business hours.
PROPOSED ADJUSTMENTS

1. PROPOSED ADDITIONS TO ABBREVIATED ZONING REQUIREMENTS

- AREA: 394 SF

2. ADDITIONAL req. PARKING AREA:

- TOTAL: 1722 SF

3. ADDITIONAL req. LANDSCAPING:

- TOTAL: 4722 SF

4. ADDITIONAL req. FIRE LANE:

- TOTAL: 198'-10"

5. ADDITIONAL req. CURB:

- TOTAL: 58'-0"

6. ADDITIONAL req. SIDEWALK:

- TOTAL: 60'-0"

7. ADDITIONAL req. ACCESSIBLE ROUTE:

- TOTAL: 9'-0"

8. ADDITIONAL req. TRASH ENCLOSURE:

- TOTAL: 9'-0"

9. ADDITIONAL req. SCREEN WALL:

- TOTAL: 23'-0"

10. ADDITIONAL req. BIKE PARKING:

- TOTAL: 104'-0"

11. ADDITIONAL req. SCREENED BIKE RACK:

- TOTAL: 26'-0"

12. ADDITIONAL req. BICYCLE PARKING:

- TOTAL: 45'-0"

13. ADDITIONAL req. STORAGE:

- TOTAL: 13,707 SF

14. ADDITIONAL req. POWER LINES:

- TOTAL: 7'-0"

15. ADDITIONAL req. FIRE APPARATUS DELAY LANE:

- TOTAL: 20'-8"

16. ADDITIONAL req. SCREENED ENTRY:

- TOTAL: 18'-0"

17. ADDITIONAL req. DONATION DROP-OFF:

- TOTAL: 22'-0"

18. ADDITIONAL req. GUTTER:

- TOTAL: 150'-4"

19. ADDITIONAL req. EXISTING FIRE HYDRANT:

- TOTAL: 2'-0"

20. ADDITIONAL req. CURB AND SIDEWALK:

- TOTAL: 6'-0"

21. ADDITIONAL req. BRIDGE OVER POWER LINES:

- TOTAL: 6'-0"

22. ADDITIONAL req. MOUNTAIN WALL:

- TOTAL: 2'-0"

23. ADDITIONAL req. SECURITY PERFORMANCE:

- TOTAL: 10'-0"

24. ADDITIONAL req. SECURITY PERFORMANCE:

- TOTAL: 10'-0"

25. ADDITIONAL req. SECURITY PERFORMANCE:

- TOTAL: 10'-6"

26. ADDITIONAL req. SECURITY PERFORMANCE:

- TOTAL: 2'