

### GLPC AGENDA ITEM # 12 OCTOBER 28, 2024

# Rezoning Request by FGF Properties LLC File #: HA-2024-05

FGF Properties LLC, represented by Mike Sumner, is requesting to rezone 0.96 acres from Single-Family Residential (R-10) to Highway Commercial (C-H). The subject property is currently vacant and located at 408 West Park Street, in Hahira GA. This is at the NE corner of West Park Street and South Newsome Street The applicant is proposing to develop the property as a freestanding paved parking lot with about 70 parking spaces to be used as overflow parking for the Fancy Girl Farms restaurant across the street to the west.

The subject property is located within a **Neighborhood Activity Center (NAC)** Character Area on the Future Development Map of the Comprehensive Plan.

The property is located in between the existing commercial corridor that is oriented toward West Main Street and the existing residential neighborhood area in the blocks farther south. West Park Street serves as the transition line between these two areas, and the subject property is located on the northern (more commercial) side of this transition. The property is bounded on 2½ sides by commercial zoning, and the other 1½ sides by residential zoning. However, these abutting residential properties are mostly vacant with no residential redevelopment activity. Given the new commercial development to the west and the abutting commercial development to the north, this property is no longer very conducive for single-family residential development that is typical in R-10 zoning. The proposed C-H zoning and its use as an overflow parking lot are compatible with the abutting commercial or non-residential uses, and it is deemed acceptable in the NAC character area for Hahira.

### **Staff Recommendation**:

Find consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and the Standards for the Exercise of Zoning Power (SFEZP), and recommend approval of C-H zoning as requested.

## Planning Analysis & Property Information

Applicant / Owner:	FGF Properties LLC (Mike Sumner)									
Request:	Rezone from R-10 to C-H.									
Property General Information										
Size & Location:	One (1) parcel consisting of 0.96 acres located at the NE corner of West Park Street and South Newsome Street.									
Street Address:	408 West Park Street									
Tax Parcel ID:	Map # 0046C Parcel: 140				City Council District:	3 Lindsey				
Zoning & Land Use Patterns										
		Zoning		Land Use	and Use					
Subject Property:	Existing:	R-10		Vacant / cleared						
	Proposed:	C-H		Paved parkin	aved parking lot					
Adjacent Property:	operty: North: C-H			Magnolia Missionary Baptist Church, Hahira Automotive						
	South:	R-10		Folsom Chapel CME Church, residential						
	East:	R-10 Va		Vacant land						
	West:	C-N	Fancy Girl Fa		arms restaurant complex					
Neighborhood Characteristics										
Historic Resources:	There are no designated historic resources in the immediate area.									
Natural Resources:	Vegetation: None									
	Wetlands: Flood Hazards Groundwater Recharge:		There are no NWI wetlands located on or near the subject property							
				Located well-outside the current FEMA designated 100-year floodplain						
			No	No significant recharge areas in the vicinity						
	Endangered	Species:	No known endangered species in the immediate area.							
		Publi	c Fa	acilities						
Water & Sewer:	Hahira water & sewer services nearby along S Newsome Street & W Park Street									
Transportation:	S Newsome Street (local street), W Park Street (local street)									
Fire Protection:	cection: City of Hahira fire station = about 0.40 miles to the east									

### Comprehensive Plan Issues

Character Area: Neighborhood Activity Center

<u>Description</u>: A neighborhood focal point with a concentration of activities such as general retail, service commercial, professional office, higher-density housing, and appropriate public and open spaces uses easily accessible by pedestrians and bicycles.

<u>Development Strategy</u>: Each neighborhood center should include a mix of retail, services, and offices to serve neighborhood residents' day-to day needs. Residential development should reinforce the center by locating higher density housing options adjacent to the center, targeted to a broad range of income levels, including multi-family town homes, apartments, and condominiums. Design for each Center should be very pedestrian-oriented, with strong, walkable connections between different uses. Road edges should be clearly defined by locating buildings at roadside with parking in the rear. Direct connections to greenspace and trail networks should be provided. The pedestrian-friendly environment should be enhanced by adding sidewalks and other pedestrian-friendly trails/bike routes linked to other neighborhood amenities such as libraries, neighborhood centers, health facilities, parks, and schools..

#### Goals and Policies:

<u>GOAL 7: LAND USE</u> – To ensure the community's anticipated growth occurs in a well-integrated yet organized fashion, which protects our community resources, promotes efficient use of infrastructure and transportation facilities, and supports quality economic development

POLICY 7.5 – Available land shall be utilized in the most efficient manner while focusing on redevelopment of land where feasible.

### Standards for the Exercise of Zoning Power (Review Criteria)

In reviewing and making a decision on a rezoning request, the City staff, Planning Commission and City Council shall consider the following standards. The proposed responses to these standards by the applicant and staff are listed below.

(1)	Is the proposed a	zonina chanae	consistent with t	he surrounding la	nd use pattern ?
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Applicant: Yes.

Staff: Yes. The surrounding land use pattern is mostly dominated by non-residential uses.

(2) Will the proposed zoning change create an isolated Zoning district unrelated to adjacent and nearby districts ?

Applicant: No.

Staff: No. There is existing C-H zoning to the north and C-N zoning to the west.

(3) Will the proposed change cause an increase in population density or otherwise an increased load on existing public services ?.

Applicant: No.

Staff: No..

(4) Are there existing or changing conditions affecting the use and development of the property that make approval of the Rezoning reasonable ?

Applicant: Yes.

Staff: Yes, the only new developments in the immediate area include the applicant's commercial

development immediately to the west.

(5) Will the proposed Rezoning be considered out of scale or result in significant adverse impacts on existing conditions in the neighborhood or community at large?

Applicant: No.

Staff: No significant adverse impacts.

(6) Will the proposed Rezoning have potential impacts on the environment, including but not limited to drainage, wetlands, groundwater recharge areas, endangered wildlife habitats, soil erosion and sedimentation, floodplains, air quality, and water quality and quantity?

Applicant: No.

Staff: No adverse impact.

(7) Will the proposed Rezoning be considered reasonable in terms of the public costs to provide, improve, increase or maintain public facilities; such as schools, streets, and public safety necessities?

Applicant: Yes.

Staff: The proposed Rezoning is reasonable, and there will be no significant costs related to any

public facilities

(8) Will the proposed Rezoning be detrimental to the value or improvement or development of adjacent or nearby property?

Applicant: No.

Staff: No adverse impact.

(9) Will the proposed Rezoning be out of scale with the needs of the neighborhood, or the City overall?

Applicant: No.

Staff: It will not be out scale with the overall needs...

(10) Will the proposed Rezoning constitute a grant of special privilege to the individual owner as contrasted with the adjacent or nearby neighborhood or with the general public?

Applicant: No.

Staff: The proposed Rezoning would not be considered a granting of special privilege.

(11) Is the proposed Rezoning in conformity with the policy and intent of the Greater Lowndes Comprehensive Plan?

Applicant: The requested zoning does conform to the Comprehensive Plan.

Staff: Yes.

### **Development Review Comments**

The following comments are provided by the reviewing departments and are only intended to provide the developer with useful information for planning purposes. This list should not be considered all inclusive as additional items may appear during the plan review process.

**Building Plan Review:** No comments Health Department: < No comments received >.

Hahira Fire: < No comments received > Hahira Utilities: < No comments received >

**Hahira Engineering:** Stormwater management will be required for the new proposed parking lot.

Landscape: Must comply with Landscape Ordinance, as applicable, upon development.

#### **Attachments:**

Zoning Location Map Boundary Survey Character Area Map Site Plan

Aerial Location Map

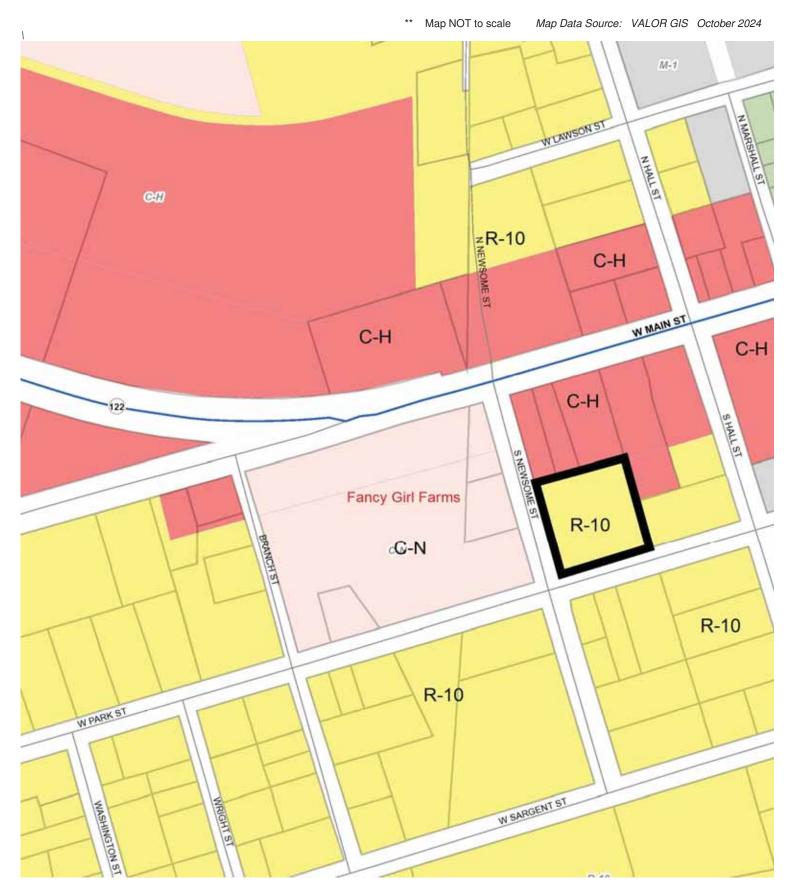
# HA-2024-05 Zoning Location Map



FGF Properties LLC Rezoning Request

408 West Park Street
Tax Map # 0046C Parcel 140

Current Zoning = R-10



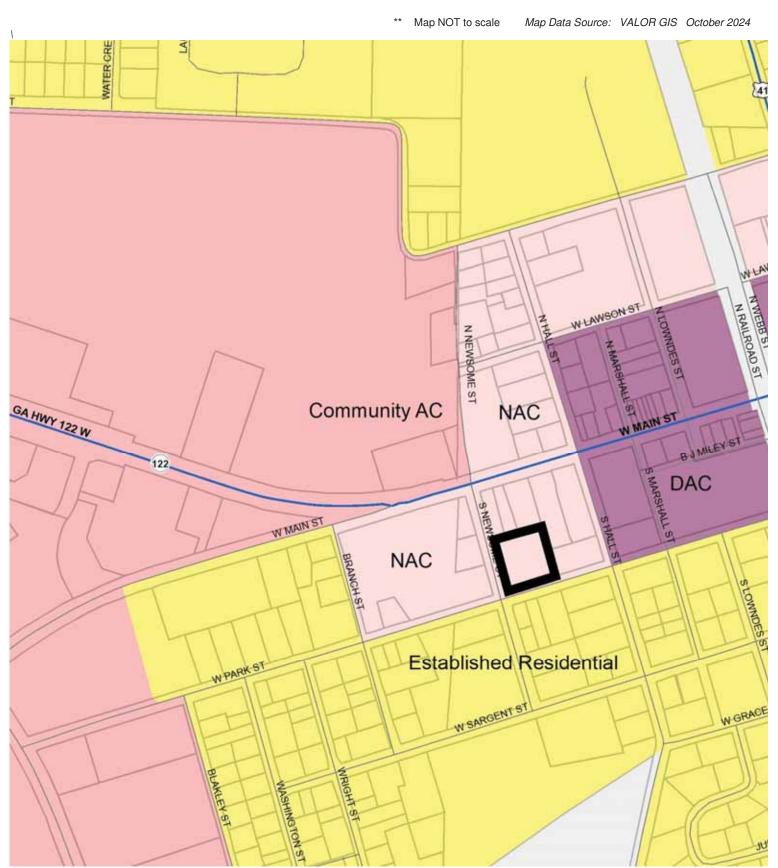
# HA-2024-05 Future Development Map



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Character Area = NAC



# HA-2024-05 Aerial Location Map



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~ 2022 Aerial Imagery

\*\* Map NOT to scale

Map Data Source: VALOR GIS October 2024



