1060 S Emporia St

Request: from OS-B to OS-A

Date: 04.29.2025

Presenter: Fran Penafiel



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Property:

- 84,100 sf or 1.93 acres
- Vacant site

Reminder: Approval of a rezoning is not approval of a proposed specific development project



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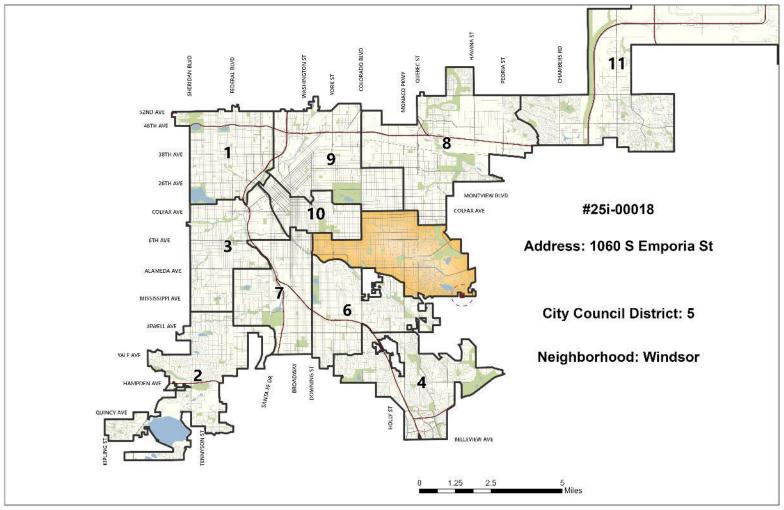
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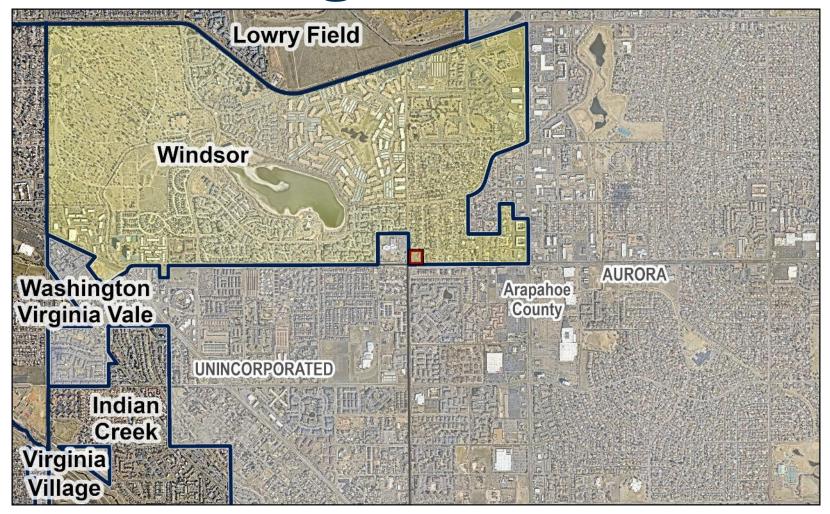


Council District 5 - CM Amanda Sawyer





Statistical Neighborhood - Windsor





Existing Zoning – OS-B

SYSUFF **Existing Zoning** Former Chapter 59 Zone Mixed Use (MX, M-Open Space -Conservation (OS-C) Open Space -Recreation (OS-B) Single Unit (SU) MISSISSIPPI AVE Proposed **Proposed Zone** Amendment Θ

Proximity to:

- S-SU-I
- Arapahoe County



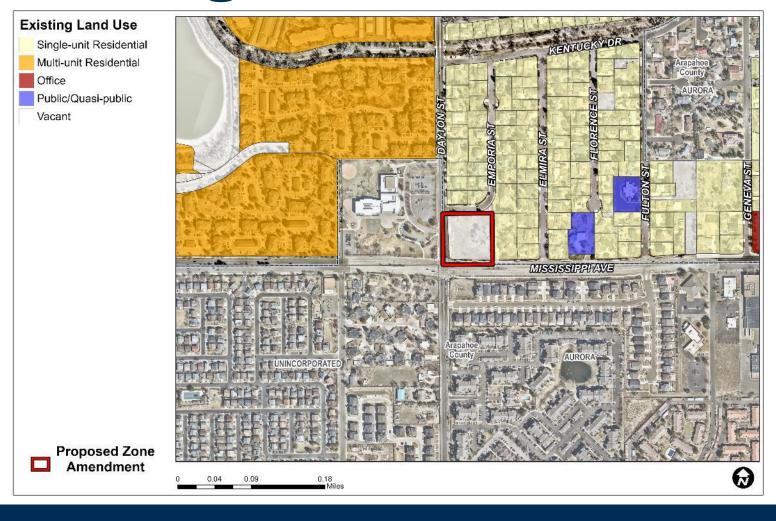
Proposed Zoning – OS-A

General Purpose:

The OS-A district is intended to protect and preserve public parks owned, operated or leased by the City and managed by the City's Department of Parks and Recreation ("DPR") for park purposes.



Existing Context – Land Use

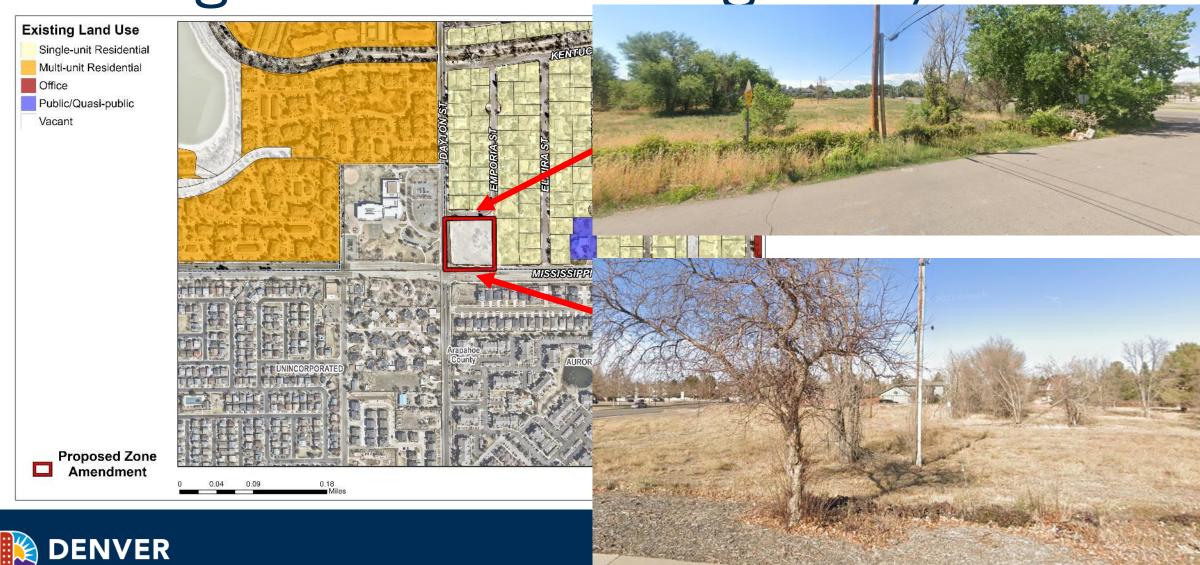


Vacant

Adjacent to:

- Single-Unit Residential
- School

Existing Context - Building Form/Scale



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Process

- Informational Notice & Notice of Receipt: 3/07/25
- Planning Board Notice: 4/1/25
- Planning Board Public Hearing: 4/16/25 Recommended approval unanimously
- LUTI Committee: 4/29/25
- City Council Public Hearing: 6/9/25



Public Comments

No comment letters



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Comprehensive Plan 2040

Equitable, Affordable, and Inclusive

• Goal 1, Strategy A – Improve equitable access to resources that improve quality of life, including cultural and natural amenities, health care, education, parks, recreation, nutritious food and the arts (p. 28)





Healthy and Active

 Goal 1, Strategy A – "Recognize parks, recreation and the urban forest as vital components of a complete community" (p. 58).





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Blueprint Denver

Future Neighborhood Context

SUBURBAN

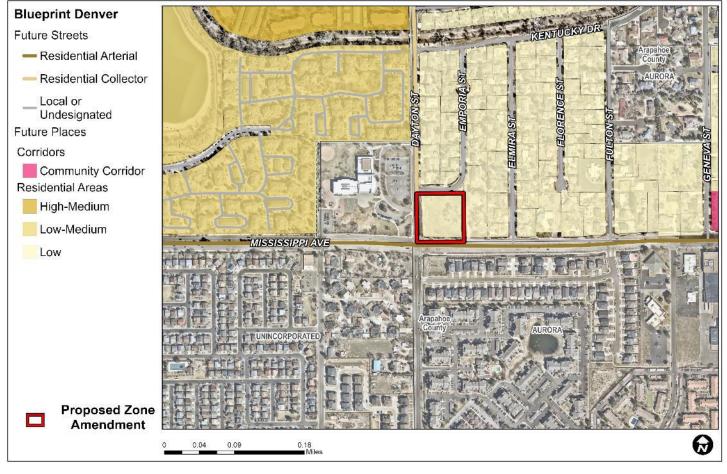


Suburban

"Range of uses from singleunit and multi-unit residential to commercial corridors and centers with irregular block patterns with curvilinear streets" (p. 136). Parks and Open Spaces are important, and necessary land uses within all of Denver's neighborhood contexts







Low Residential

- "areas where the predominant use is residential. Although they are primarily residential, these areas are supported by a variety of embedded uses needed for a complete neighborhood" (p. 149).
- Name the Future Street Type

Evaluation is based on the proposed zone district is consistent with the Future Street Classification, not to assess the traffic impacts of a specific development proposal.



Blueprint Denver Contains Three Major Equity Concepts

 Integrating these concepts into planning and implementation will help to create a more equitable Denver.

Improving Expanding Reducing Access to Housing and Vulnerability to **Jobs Diversity** Opportunity Displacement stabilizing residents and providing a better and creating more equitable businesses who are more inclusive range of access to quality-of-life vulnerable to housing and employment amenities, health and involuntary options in all quality education. displacement due to neighborhoods. increasing property values and rents.



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Recommendations: Quality-of-Life Infrastructure



Quality-of-life infrastructure refers to the places, trees, plants, waterways, parks and outdoor spaces that stitch together our communities and contribute to the health, needs, comfort, environmental resilience and social connectedness of Denver. Quality-of-life infrastructure helps ensure everyone has access to parks, trees, waterways, outdoor spaces, recreational amenities, healthy food and outdoor community gathering places. In some instances, quality-of-lifeinfrastructure can incorporate important civic and institutional places, views, social services, libraries or schools. It also includes recognizing that trees and the natural environment are vital pieces of civic infrastructure and key features to mitigate the impacts of climate change. Quality-of-life infrastructure supports the need for individuals to connect with nature, community, history, access healthy food systems and enjoy a clean environment.

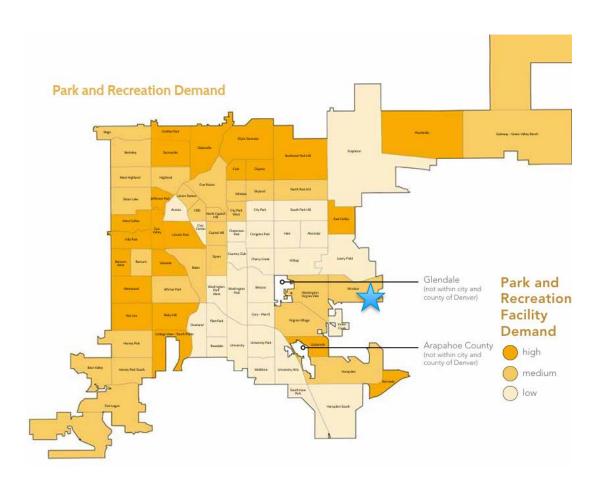
- John Muir

O1. Expand tools and regulations to ensure high-quality parks and outdoor public spaces keep pace with Denver's growth.

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Game Plan for a Healthy City



- **3.1 Grow Parks:** Acquire land and build facilities to keep pace with growth and meet 10-minute walk standard and service goals.
- **3.5 10-Min Walk Access:** Ensure a ten-minute walk for park and open space for every neighborhood.
- **4.9 Upgrade facilities:** *Upgrade operation and user facilities to meet baseline standards.*
- **5.9 Innovative public spaces:** Expand new innovative park and recreation amenities to encourage active lifestyles and improve health.



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Consistency with Neighborhood Context, Purpose and Intent

DIVISION 9.3 OPEN SPACE CONTEXT (OS-A, OS-B, OS-C)

SECTION 9.3.1 OPEN SPACE CONTEXT DESCRIPTION







OS-A zone district is within the Open Space Context, which "consists of all forms of public and private parks and open spaces".

Allows for active and passive recreation opportunities and is consistent with the Open Space context.

Open Space Public Park District "is intended to protect and preserve public parks owned, operated or leased by the City and managed by the City's Department of Parks and Recreation ("DPR") for park purposes" (DZC 9.3.2.1.A). The property is owned by the City and is consistent with the OS-A purpose and intent statement.



CPD Recommendation

CPD recommends moving this application forward to full Council consideration, based on finding all review criteria have been met

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