

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-O-143

AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE MAP OF THE CITY OF LAREDO BY AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR BUILDING MATERIAL SALES (CABINET AND COUNTERTOP SHOP MANUFACTURING) WITH OUTSIDE STORAGE (ACCESSORY USE) ON LOTS 2 AND 3, COMMERCE PLAZA DEVELOPMENT, UNIT 1, LOCATED AT 1602 AND 1702 COMMERCE DRIVE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, a request has been received for the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit for Building Material Sales (Cabinet and Countertop Shop Manufacturing) with Outside Storage (Accessory Use) on Lots 2 and 3, Commerce Plaza Development, Unit 1, located at 1602 and 1702 Commerce Drive; and,

WHEREAS, the required written notices were sent to surrounding property owners at least ten (10) days before the public hearing held before the Planning and Zoning Commission on June 20, 2024; and,

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission, after a public hearing, has recommended **approval** of the issuance of the Conditional Use Permit; and,

WHEREAS, notice of the Conditional Use Permit request was advertised in the newspaper at least fifteen (15) days prior to the public hearing held before the City of Laredo City Council on this matter; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has held a public hearing on July 22, 2024, on the request and finds the Conditional Use Permit appropriate and consistent with the General Plan of the City of Laredo; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council does not consider the impact, if any, of private covenants and deed restrictions on the subject property with the adoption of this ordinance; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAREDO THAT:

Section 1: The Zoning Map of the City of Laredo be and is hereby amended by authorizing the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit for Building Material Sales (Cabinet and Countertop Shop Manufacturing) with Outside Storage (Accessory Use) on Lots 2 and 3, Commerce Plaza Development, Unit 1, located at 1602 and 1702 Commerce Drive.

Section 2: The Special Use Permit is further restricted to the following provision herewith adopted by the City Council:

1. The hours of operation shall be limited to, Monday to Saturday, 8:00 A.M. to 7:30 P.M.
2. All work activities, cutting of stone and any building materials, pertaining to the business shall be operated in a wholly enclosed building.
3. All parking pertaining to the business shall be provided within the property boundaries, including but not limited to customer parking, employee parking, or business vehicle parking or portion, therefore.
4. Head-in parking shall be prohibited as per the Laredo Land Development Code.
5. Off-street parking shall be provided in accordance with the City of Laredo Land Development Code.
6. No hazardous materials shall be stored in the facility. Hazardous occupancy and the storage of hazardous materials shall be prohibited on the premises. The determination of a hazardous occupancy or material shall be made by the Fire Chief as per the Laredo Land Development Code, Section 24.74.3(d). Hazardous materials shall be defined as stated in the City of Laredo Code of Ordinances, Sec. 33-20.
7. Lighting of property shall be directed away from any residential uses and towards the property to avoid adverse impact on adjacent residential neighborhoods.
8. Landscaping shall be provided in accordance with the City of Laredo Land Development Code.
9. The owner shall provide a block or cement fence of not less than 7 (seven) feet in height along any side or rear property lines which abut or adjoin property containing a residential use or residential zoning district. Apartment complexes, residential condominiums or residential townhomes shall be similarly screened irrespective of which zoning district they occur in.
10. The establishment shall be kept in a sanitary condition.
11. The establishment must make provisions to keep litter to a minimum, and to keep it from blowing onto adjacent streets and properties.
12. Signage shall be consistent with the City's Sign Ordinance.
13. The proposed use shall not exceed the "Occupant Load" as set forth in the Certificate of Occupancy with Occupant Load issued to the CUP business holder.
14. The proposed use shall, during all hours of operation, maintain, free from obstruction or impediment to full instant use in the case of fire or other emergency, all exit accesses, exits or exit discharges.
15. The proposed use shall undergo an annual Fire Inspection.
16. All permits, licenses, certifications and inspections required by the codes and ordinances of the City of Laredo shall be kept up to date and current including but not limited to: a. Food Manager License (annual), b. Food Handler's Permit (annual), c. Certificate of Occupancy with Occupant Load. Occupant Load being

the approved capacity of a building or portion thereof.

17. Owner shall comply with Building, Health, Safety, and all applicable codes and regulations as required.

18. There shall be no ground vibrations created or sustained on the site which are perceptible without instruments at any point on any property adjoining the subject property.

19. Outside storage shall be prohibited with the exception of the storage of stone slabs.

Section 3: This ordinance shall be published in a manner provided by Section 2.09(D) of the Charter of the City of Laredo.

Section 4: This ordinance shall become effective as and from the date of publication specified in Section 3.

Section 5: The Special Use Permit authorized by this ordinance shall be revoked pursuant to the Laredo Land Development Code, section 24.93.12.12, entitled "Enforcement and Revocation of Special Use Permit Revocation," according to the criteria and procedures described therein and below:

1. Enforcement and Revocation of Special Use Permit Revocation

If it is determined based on inspection by the Planning Director or reasonable investigation by the City Manager, or his designee, that there exist reasonable grounds for revocation of a Special User Permit, a public hearing shall be set before the Zoning Commission and the City Council.

A. Circumstances that warrant revocation of an approved special use permit include, but shall not be limited to, any of the following:

1. Any Violation of any of the conditions of the special use permit if not corrected to the satisfaction of the City within 90 days of the owner having received written notice of the violation and the means necessary to correct it;
2. A plea of guilty or no-contest to an offense that that occurs on the property for which the special use permit is granted involving any zoning ordinance or provision of the City's Land Development Code;
3. The building, premise, or land uses under the special use permit is enlarged, modified, structurally altered, or otherwise significantly changed without the approval of a separate special use permit for such enlargement, modification, structural alteration or change;
4. Violation of any provision of the site plan encompassing the property for which the special use permit was issue for, terms or conditions of a special use permit;
5. The special use permit was obtained by fraud or with deception.

- B. Revocation process. The revocation process shall be conducted through a public hearing and recommendation by the Zoning Commission, followed by a public hearing and ordinance amendment consideration by the City Council. The City Council may revoke the special use permit, deny the revocation and allow the sue to continue, or deny the revocation and amend the special use permit to attach conditions to assure that the terms, conditions and requirements of the special use permit be met.
- C. Effect of revocation. Upon the effective date of the revocation, it shall be unlawful to undertake or perform any activity that was previously authorized by the special use permit. Any person, firm, or corporation, who violates, disobeys, omits, neglects or refuses to comply with or who resists the enforcement of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be fined not more than Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for each offense. Each day that a violation exists shall constitute a separate offense.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR ON THIS THE _____ DAY OF _____, 2024.

DR. VICTOR D. TREVINO
MAYOR

ATTEST:

MARIO I. MALDONADO, JR.
CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DOANH "ZONE" T. NGUYEN
CITY ATTORNEY