

CITY OF DULUTH

Community Planning Division

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File Number	r PL 17-173 Concurrent Use Permit		Contact Chris Lee, 21 Planning Commission Date		Chris Lee, 2	hris Lee, 218-730-5304	
Туре					November 14, 2017		
Deadline	Application Date		October 10, 2017		60 Days	December 9, 2017	
for Action	Date Extension Letter Mailed		October 22, 2017 120 Day		120 Days	February 7, 2018	
Location of \$	Subject	4801 Cooke Street					
Applicant	April Wit	zke, Aunty's Daycare	Contact				
Agent	Greg Strom		Contact	Founda	dations Architecture		
Legal Descri	ption	010-3030-00360		1			
Site Visit Date		October 30, 2017	Sign Notice Date		lovember 1, 2017		
Neighbor Letter Date		October 27, 2017	Number of Letters Sent		3		

Proposal

The applicant requests a concurrent use permit to allow the construction of a fence. Approximately ³/₄ of the fence structure would be built in the public right of way. The fenced area will be used for outdoor play by the associated daycare.

	Current Zoning	Existing Land Use	Future Land Use Map Designation
Subject	R-1	School	Urban Residential
North	R-1	Residential - Traditional	Urban Residential
South	F-2	Form District	Neighborhood Commercial
East	R-1	Residential - Traditional	Urban Residential
West	R-1	Residential - Traditional	Urban Residential

Summary of Code Requirements

UDC Section 50-37.7C. The planning commission shall review the application, and council shall approve the application or approve it with modifications, if it determines that:

1. The proposed concurrent use will not harm or inconvenience the health, safety and general welfare of the city;

2. Any proposed skywalk will significantly improve the circulation of pedestrians in the city without exposure to weather conditions;

3. No portion of a public easement proposed for use is being physically used or occupied by the public.

P.C. Packet, Nov 14, 2017 Comprehensive Plan Governing Principle and/or Policies and Current History (if applicable):

Governing Principle #1 - Reuse previously developed lands

Governing Principle #8 - Encourage mix of activities, uses, and densities.

Governing Principle #11 - Include consideration for education systems in land use actions

Future Land Use- Urban Residential: Greatest variety of building types, medium to high densities. Applicable to larger infill areas close to downtown, entertainment or activity centers, and waterfront residential areas. May include student housing areas, live/work units, and limited neighborhood retail. Connected or adjacent to parks and open space.

The property was previously used as a church that was constructed in 1922.

Review and Discussion Items

Staff finds that:

1. The applicant is seeking a concurrent use permit to allow a private obstruction (fenced in area) to be constructed in the public right of way. Currently a chain link fence is within the right-of-way.

2. The proposed concurrent use will not harm or inconvenience the health, safety and general welfare of the city.

3. The area proposed for concurrent use is not currently being used by the public.

4. Concurrent Use Permits are approved by the city council via an ordinance. Unlike street right of way vacations, concurrent use permits are not recorded at the County as they are voidable agreements between the city and property owners. Citizens with obstructions in the public right of way must either remove the obstructions or seek city council approval with a concurrent use permit. The City of Duluth requires Concurrent Use Permits to include liability insurance to indemnify the city against occurrences in the right of way.

5. No other public, agency, or other city comments were received.

6. Per UDC Sec. 50-37.1.N, approved concurrent use permits lapse if the project or activity authorized by the permit or variance is not begun within 1 year

Staff Recommendation

Based on the above findings, Staff recommends that the planning commission recommend approval of the concurrent use permit subject to the following conditions:

- 1) Applicant shall construct and maintain the project as identified in exhibit dated October 10, 2017.
- 2) Applicant shall provide proof of liability insurance to indemnify the city against any occurrences in the right of way that are due to items covered under this permit.
- 3) Applicant shall remove the proposed obstructions at Applicant's expense if directed to do so by the city with appropriate notice.
- 4) Any alterations to the approved plans that do not alter major elements of the plan may be approved by the Land Use Supervisor without further planning commission approval; however, no such administrative approval shall constitute a variance from the provisions of Chapter 50.





PL 17-171, 172, 173: SUP, Variance, CUP

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