City of Sugar Hill Planning Staff Report SUP 19-002

DATE:

October 22, 2019

TO:

Mayor and City Council

FROM:

Planning Director VA

SUBJECT:

Special Use Permit | SUP 19-002

385 Brogdon Road



RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of special use permit for an adult day center with the following conditions:

1. The facility must be properly licensed through the Georgia Department of Community Health and shall comply with all applicable federal and state regulations.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

The Planning Commission held a scheduled public hearing on October 21, 2019. Applicant representative Ash Thourani and Managing Member of Seva Adult Care LLC Poonam Datta spoke on behalf of this request. There were no other public comments.

Planning Commission recommends APPROVAL with conditions as presented.

ISSUE

The City of Sugar Hill has received an application dated September 12, 2019 from Seva Adult Care, LLC for a special use permit for an adult day care facility. The subject property is currently zoned Heavy Manufacturing District (HM1).

DISCUSSION

- Seva Adult Care is a licensed Adult Day Care (ADC) service. They are currently operating out of space in a temple and community center in Duluth, GA.
- Owners are seeking to purchase the subject property and relocate to Sugar Hill.
- Proposed use is not specifically provided in the table of permitted uses within the city's zoning ordinance.
- Other uses with similar characteristics are allowed in HM1. The potential for incompatible adjacent manufacturing and industrial uses necessitates special use permit approval.
- With a special use permit Adult Day Care is an appropriate use within the HM1 zoning district.

BACKGROUND

Applicant/Owner:

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Existing Zoning: Heavy Manufacturing District (HM-1).

Request: Special use permit for an adult day care facility.

Purpose: Adult day care facility.

Property Size: ± 1.10 Acres

Location: 385 Brogdon Road

Tax Parcel R7-253-054

Public Notice: Letters to adjoining owners via USPS regular mail on 00-2-19.

Signs posted on Brogdon Road frontage on 00-2-19.

Ad in legal section of Gwinnett Daily Post on 00-2-19, & 10-23-19.

Public Response: No public comments have been received as of 10-16-19.

FINDINGS OF FACT

The subject property adjoins on all four sides other properties which are zoned HM1. Adult day care is not a specified use in the city's zoning ordinance. Within the LM and HM1 zoning districts other uses with similar characteristics are allowed as principal uses. Additionally, the potential for other incompatible adjoining manufacturing and industrial uses necessitates special use permit approval in those categories

Adult Day Care (ADC) and Adult Day Health Services (ADHS) are regulated by the Georgia Department of Community Health (DCH). Seva Adult Care is a licensed adult care provider currently operating at 2769 Duluth Highway in Duluth, GA and is planning to purchase the 385 Brogdon Road property and relocate there if approved. No changes to the building are proposed at this time.

ZONING ANALYSIS

 Will the rezoning requested permit a use that is suitable in view of the use and development of adjacent and nearby property?

Yes.

- 2. Will the rezoning requested adversely affect the existing use or usability of adjacent or nearby properties?
- 3. Does the property for which the rezoning is requested have a reasonable economic use as currently zoned? Yes.
- 4. Will the rezoning requested create an overcrowding condition with respect to the existing streets, transportation facilities, or schools?

No.

5. Does the rezoning requested conform to the Sugar Hill Land Use Plan?

Yes. The Sugar Hill Comprehensive Plan does recommend introducing service uses into industrial areas where appropriate.

6. Are there other existing or changing conditions affecting the use and development of the property which would give support to an approval or disapproval of the rezoning request?

Yes. The Sugar Hill Comprehensive Plan, Appendix B, supports additional programs for our aging residents by referring to the Home for Life Housing Study which identifies a growing need for housing and services for seniors.



LETTER OF INTENT

SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR ADULT DAY CARE

The Applicant, Seva Adult Care, LLC (hereinafter the "Applicant"), hereby submits this request for a Special Use Permit for an Adult Day Care in a contracted space for purchase having approximately 8,118 square feet on 1.10 acres located at 385 Brogdon Road, Suwanee, GA 30024, Parcel No. R7253-054 (the "Subject Property"). The Subject Property covered by this application is currently zoned HM-1.

The Applicant is an experienced provider of adult day care services and is properly licensed by and in good standing with the State of Georgia Department of Community Health to provide such services at the current location at 2769 Duluth Highway, Duluth, Georgia since January 2017. Upon receiving proper permits and approvals, the Applicant intends to transfer the business to the proposed Subject Property.

The mission of the Applicant is "To bring the seniors in the community together and provide a happy & healthy atmosphere nurtured with love and care." Some of the services provided by the Applicant include personal care; wellness and healthcare such as exercise, yoga, and meditation, on site nursing staff; blend of education and entertainment; arts and crafts; group bonding activities such as music, playing board games and puzzles. Applicant provides services that stimulate the body, mind, and spirit.

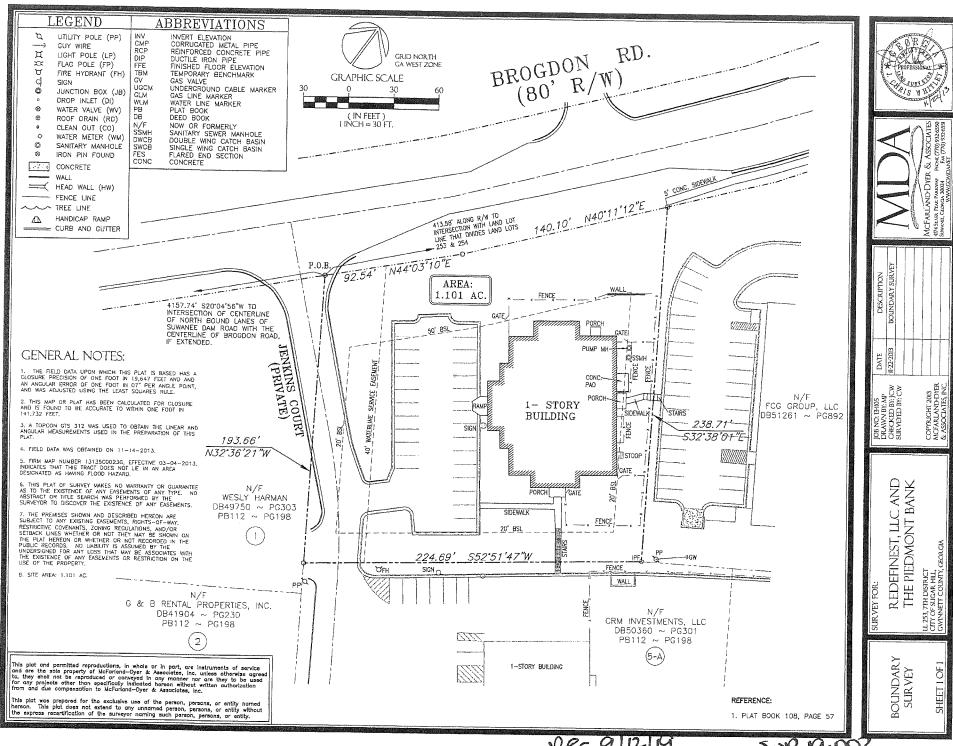
The Applicant is a professionally managed and operated enterprise. The Subject Property will be fully staffed from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM Monday to Friday. The Applicant intends to provide meals and light snacks to our day care seniors. As the Applicant's clients are elderly and do not drive, third party transportation service will pick-up and drop-off seniors thus greatly reducing the need for parking. The parking will mainly be for the staff which we expect to be no more than twelve spaces. The Subject Property has twenty-six parking spaces, more than adequate for the intended use and needs.

The proposed adult day care use is consistent with the existing character of the HM-1 area. There are several businesses in the same area as the Subject Property that have special use permit for office use. The Subject Property has access to public water supply, public sanitary sewer, and convenient access to major streets. The Subject Property is an appropriate use location for the proposed use, and would have little to no impact on any surrounding properties or to the citizens in nearby or surrounding areas.

We appreciate your consideration of this Special Use Permit for a capacity of 150 senior adult day care center. Not only does the social interaction and time away from home greatly enhances the quality of life for our seniors, it also benefits the family caregivers of the seniors. It's a win-win opportunity for the community.

Respectfully submitted, this day of September 12, 2019.

Representative for the Applicant



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385 Brogdon Road – Location Map with Adjacent Zoning

