



AGENDA MEMO

CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE: FEBRUARY 2, 2011

DEPARTMENT: PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

ITEM DESCRIPTION: APPLICANT: LOANEX - OWNER: DECATUR-OAKEY PLAZA LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

***THIS ITEM WAS HELD IN ABEYANCE FROM THE
JANUARY 5, 2011 CITY COUNCIL MEETING AT THE
REQUEST OF THE APPLICANT***

** STAFF RECOMMENDATION(S) **

<i>CASE NUMBER</i>	<i>RECOMMENDATION</i>	<i>REQUIRED FOR APPROVAL</i>
SUP-38534	Staff recommends APPROVAL, subject to conditions:	N/A

** CONDITIONS **

SUP-38534 CONDITIONS

Planning and Development

1. Conformance to all Minimum Requirements under LVMC Title 19.04.010 for Secondhand Dealer use.
2. All window signage shall be in conformance with LVMC Title 19.14, or removed within 30 days of the date of final approval.
3. This approval shall be void two years from the date of final approval, unless a business license has been issued to conduct the activity. An Extension of Time may be filed for consideration by the City of Las Vegas.
4. All City Code requirements and design standards of all City departments must be satisfied, except as modified herein.

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**** STAFF REPORT ****

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The applicant is requesting two Special Use Permit for Auto Title Loan and Secondhand Dealer within an existing 750 square-foot non-conforming Financial Institution, Specified at 1620 South Decatur Boulevard, Suite A. The applicant is requesting for a waiver for the Auto Title Loan to allow the minimum of 750 square feet, where 1,500 square feet minimum of the building or portion thereof that is dedicated for the use. Staff is recommending approval of these applications because the proposed uses can be conducted in a manner that is harmonious and compatible with existing surrounding land uses. If this request is denied, the Auto Title Loan and Secondhand Dealer uses cannot be permitted on this site.

ISSUES

- A waiver is required to allow 750 square feet for the Auto Title Loan use where 1,500 square feet is the minimum floor area required.
- A site visit by staff and noted that a window signage was observed and exceeded the 25 percent coverage allowed pursuant to Title 19.14.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

<i>Related Relevant City Actions by P&D, Fire, Bldg., etc</i>	
05/21/69	05/21/69 - The Board of City Commissioners approved for a Rezoning (Z-0026-69) on property generally located on the northwest corner of Oakley Boulevard and Decatur Boulevard, from R-3 and R-1 to C-1. The Planning Commission recommended approval.
10/22/69	The Board of City Commissioners approved a request for a six month Extension of Time under Z-0026-69 on property generally located on the northwest corner of Oakley Boulevard and Decatur Boulevard, C-1 Zone. The Planning Commission recommended approval.
02/14/85	The Planning Commission approved a Plot Plan Review (Z-0026-69) of property generally located on the northwest corner of Oakley Boulevard and Decatur Boulevard, C-1 Zone. Staff recommended approval.
07/29/10	The Planning Commission voted (7-0) to recommend APPROVAL of companion items SUP-38533 and SUP-38534 (PC Agenda Items #44-45/rg).
09/01/10	The City Council voted (5-1) to recommend APPROVAL of companion item SUP-38533 and voted to hold this item in abeyance to the January 5, 2011 City Council meeting.

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<i>Most Recent Change of Ownership</i>	
12/24/90	A deed was recorded for a change in ownership.

<i>Related Building Permits/Business Licenses</i>	
03/12/85	A building permit (#6238) was issued for a Commercial Retail Building at 1620 South Decatur Boulevard. The project was completed on 07/19/85.
08/08/95	A business license (C21-00023) was issued for a Check Cashing Service at 1620 South Decatur Boulevard Suite #A. The license was reclassified to Non-Depository Lender on 09/18/09.
01/07/10	A temporary business license (N02-00124) was issued for Non-Depository Lender at 1620 North Jones Boulevard Suite #A. The temporary business license will expire on 07/07/10.

<i>Pre-Application Meeting</i>	
06/03/10	A pre-application meeting with applicant was held where elements of submitting Special Use Permit applications for an Auto Title Loan and Secondhand Dealer were discussed. The topic included: • The submittal of application materials, meeting dates, and deadlines were discussed. • The parking requirement for an Auto Title Loan and Secondhand Dealer are the same as the Financial Institution, Specified. The required parking is one space per 250 square feet of gross floor area and no additional parking is required for the proposed use. • The site plan needs to be revised to include a comprehensive parking calculation with the parking requirements of different uses on-site. • The justification letter needs to be revised to include the business address and suite number of the proposed use. • The hours of operation needs to be indicated on the justification letter indicating that the use will not extend beyond the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Otherwise, a waiver is required to extend the required hours of operation requirements. • A waiver is required to allow 750 square feet for the use where 1,500 square feet is the minimum floor area required.

<i>Neighborhood Meeting</i>	
A neighborhood meeting was not required, nor was one held.	

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Field Check	
06/24/10	A field check was conducted by staff and observed window signage of the subject suite. Pursuant to Title 19.14, the window signage exceeds 25 percent.

Details of Application Request	
Site Area	
Net Acres	0.30

Surrounding Property	Existing Land Use Per Title 19.04	Planned or Special Land Use Designation	Existing Zoning District
Subject Property	Office/General Retail	SC (Service Commercial)	C-1 (Limited Commercial)
North	Motor Vehicle Sales, Used	GC (General Commercial)	C-2 (General Commercial)
South	Convenience Store	SC (Service Commercial)	C-1 (Limited Commercial)
East	Convenience Store & Service Station (without Automotive Repair)	SC (Service Commercial)	C-1 (Limited Commercial)
West	Office	SC (Service Commercial)	C-1 (Limited Commercial)

Master Plan Areas	Yes	No	Compliance
Master Plan Area		X	N/A
Special Purpose and Overlay Districts	Yes	No	Compliance
Special Purpose and Overlay Districts			
A-O (Airport Overlay) District	X		Y
Trails	X		Y
Rural Preservation Overlay District		X	N/A
Las Vegas Redevelopment Plan Area		X	N/A
Development Impact Notification Assessment		X	N/A
Project of Regional Significance		X	N/A

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DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

Pursuant to Title 19.10, the following parking standards apply:

Parking Requirement							
Use	Gross Floor Area or Number of Units	Required			Provided		Compliance
		Parking Ratio	Parking		Parking		
			Regular	Handi-capped	Regular	Handi-capped	
Financial Institution, Specified	750 SF	1/250 SF	3				
Retail	1,500 SF	1/175 SF	10				
General Retail	750 SF	1/175 SF	5				
Office other than listed	2,250 SF	1/300 SF	9				
Beauty Salon	750 SF	3 space per station	15				
TOTAL SPACES REQUIRED			42		16		
TOTAL (With Handicapped)			40	2	15	1	
Loading Spaces	6,000 SF	Less than 10,000 SF	1		1		

Waivers		
Requirement	Request	Staff Recommendation
1,500 square feet minimum of the building or portion thereof that is dedicated for the use.	750 square feet is the existing area of the suite.	Approval

ANALYSIS

The proposed Auto Title Loan will allow a business that provides check cashing services such as a principal service deferred, a paycheck advance service, and any business primarily providing cash loans, installment loans or cash. The proposed Secondhand Dealer will allow a specialty shop which deals solely in one kind of used commodity with no new commodities, or a business in which the sale of secondhand or used articles is incidental to the sale of new articles of the same kind. The term includes the sale of jewelry (Class III type) and scrap precious metals. The parking requirement for this site is determined by the different uses; therefore, 37 parking spaces are required. Currently, the provided parking for the site is 16 spaces and it is a parking-impaired development, pursuant to Title 19.10.010. The proposed Auto Title Loan and Secondhand Dealer uses will not increase the area of the suite or result in a change of use that requires an increase in the number of required parking spaces, whereas they have the same parking requirement as the existing non-conforming Financial Institution, Specified. The Financial Institution, Specified use has been pre-existing on-site prior to the requirements for a Special Use Permit.

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A minimum Special Use Permit requirement for the proposed Auto Title Loan use is a 1,500 square-foot minimum floor area for the use. The applicant has requested a waiver to allow 750 square feet of floor area for the proposed use.

A site visit was conducted by staff noted a window signage was observed and exceeded the 25 percent coverage allowed pursuant to Title 19.14. A condition of approval has been added to address the window signage.

The proposed Auto Title Loan and Secondhand Dealer uses can be conducted in a manner that is harmonious and compatible with existing surrounding land uses. No additional parking requirements for the proposed uses, staff is recommending approval of this request.

FINDINGS (SUP-38533)

In order to approve a Special Use Permit application, per Title 19.18.060 the Planning Commission and City Council must affirm the following:

1. The proposed land use can be conducted in a manner that is harmonious and compatible with existing surrounding land uses, and with future surrounding land uses as projected by the General Plan.

The proposed use can be conducted in a manner that is harmonious and compatible with the uses in the existing site and with the commercial uses on adjacent properties.

2. The subject site is physically suitable for the type and intensity of land use proposed.

The subject site is physically suitable for the type and intensity of the proposed use.

3. Street or highway facilities providing access to the property are or will be adequate in size to meet the requirements of the proposed use.

Site access is provided from Decatur Boulevard, a 100-foot Primary Arterial and Oakey Boulevard, an 80-foot Secondary Collector as designated in the Master Plan of Streets and Highways. These streets are of sufficient size to accommodate the needs of the proposed Auto Title Loan use.

4. Approval of the Special Use Permit at the site in question will not be inconsistent with or compromise the public health, safety, and welfare or the overall objectives of the General Plan.

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Approval of the proposed Special Use Permit will not compromise the public health, safety and general welfare, as the use will be subject to regular inspections for business licensing.

5.The use meets all of the applicable conditions per Title 19.04.

The use does not meet the applicable condition per Title 19.04. Staff recommends approval of a waiver to allow 750 square feet minimum for the proposed use, where 1,500 square feet minimum is required.

FINDINGS (SUP-38534)

In order to approve a Special Use Permit application, per Title 19.18.060 the Planning Commission and City Council must affirm the following:

1.The proposed land use can be conducted in a manner that is harmonious and compatible with existing surrounding land uses, and with future surrounding land uses as projected by the General Plan.

The proposed use can be conducted in a manner that is harmonious and compatible with the uses in the existing site and with the commercial uses on adjacent properties.

2.The subject site is physically suitable for the type and intensity of land use proposed.

The subject site is physically suitable for the type and intensity of the proposed Secondhand Dealer use.

3.Street or highway facilities providing access to the property are or will be adequate in size to meet the requirements of the proposed use.

Site access is provided from Decatur Boulevard, a 100-foot Primary Arterial and Oakey Boulevard, an 80-foot Secondary Collector as designated in the Master Plan of Streets and Highways. These streets are of sufficient size to accommodate the needs of the proposed Auto Title Loan use.

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5.The use meets all of the applicable conditions per Title 19.04.

The Secondhand Dealer use meets all of the applicable conditions per Title 19.04.

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS NOTIFIED 17

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