



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Gary L. Sieb, Director of Planning

Date: March 8, 2016

Reference: Consider approval of an ordinance for SUP-1033R5-SF-12, to allow a 6,537-square-foot expansion to the existing 32,687-square-foot Charter School.

2030: **Business Prosperity, Sense of Community**

Introduction:

This property had been used for a charter school in addition to a church since fall of 2009. In 2011, Responsive Education Solutions (owner of Vista Academy) purchased the property. The church is no longer a secondary use, and therefore renovation plans include the re-purposing of the sanctuary for a 4,000-square-foot gymnasium, additional offices, and a 6,537-square-foot building expansion to include six (6) new classrooms. The enrollment is 330 students which is less than the 500 students permitted by the existing SUP.

Analysis:

On February 9, 2016 City Council unanimously approved this SUP request subject to conditions which have been incorporated into the ordinance.

On January 21, 2016, the Planning and Zoning Commission unanimously recommended approval of this SUP request, subject to: this charter school shall be licensed and maintained in accordance with state law and may provide instruction for Kindergarten through eight (8th) grade, and the student enrollment shall not exceed five hundred (500) students, and Dwarf Yaupon Holly shrubs shall be replanted along the north and east property line to adhere to the Landscape Plan.

Legal Review:

The City Attorney reviewed this ordinance

Fiscal Impact:

None

Recommendation:

The Planning Department recommends approval

Attachments:

1. Ordinance
2. Exhibit A – Legal Description

3. Exhibit B - Site Plan
4. Exhibit C- Landscape Plan
5. Exhibit D - Tree Preservation Plan
6. Exhibit E - Elevations