File No.: Z1120-0161 Conditional Use Permit

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**REQUEST FOR:** Conditional Use Permit with Modifications **CASE MANAGER:** Johnna Matthews, Principal Planner

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Planning and Zoning Commission: Monday, December 14, 2020 City Council: Monday, January 4, 2021

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Applicant: Roberto Nunez, Alchemi Development Partners

Requested Action: Rezone from "GR," General Retail to "GR," General Retail with a

Conditional Use Permit to allow a Coin-operated Amusement Game room with a modification to have one customer restroom instead of the required

one customer restroom each for male and female.

Location: 1604 W.Bruton Rd. (Attachment 1)

#### PLANNING AND ZONING ACTION

Decision: On December 14, 2020, the Planning and Zoning Commission

unanimously recommended denial of the Conditional Use Permit to allow a Coin-operated Amusement Game room, with modifications to have one customer restroom instead of the required one customer restroom each

for male and female. .

## SITE BACKGROUND

Platting: Hickory Heights 2, Block A, W Pt LT IR

Size: 0.47

Zoning: GR - General Retail
Future Land Use: Neighborhood Retail

Zoning History: 1955: Annexed into City of Mesquite, Zoned Residential

1982: Rezoned to GR - General Retail

Surrounding Zoning and Land Uses (see attachment 3):

	<u>ZONING</u>	EXISTING LAND USE
NORTH:	GR - General Retail	Undeveloped/Car Wash (Not in Service)
SOUTH:	A-1 - Multifamily Residential	Multi-family Development
EAST:	GR - General Retail	Family Dollar
WEST:	GR - General Retail	Undeveloped

#### **CASE SUMMARY**

On October 19, 2020, the City Council amended the Mesquite Zoning Ordinance (MZO) via Ordinance No. 4820 regarding coin-operated amusement machines. The ordinance recognizes that coin-operated amusement devices can have adverse effects on nearby properties, compromising the quality of life, property values and the character of surrounding neighborhoods. To address the aforementioned concerns, the amendment reduced the number of coin-operated amusement machines permitted as an accessory use from four to two, and it established a 300-ft. separation from churches, schools, and hospitals. The amendment also prohibits coin-operated amusement machines as an accessory use with convenience stores and tobacco stores. Having three or more coin-operated game machines is now classified as a primary use identified as a Coin-operated Amusement Game Room and is permitted with the approval of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP).

The applicant is requesting a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to allow a Coin-operated Amusement Game room at 1604 W. Bruton Rd. as a primary use with six (6) coin-operated amusement machines. The applicant also operates a convenience store with limited fuel sales (EZ Trip Beer & Wine) and a restaurant at the same location. While coin-operated amusement machines are not permitted as an accessory use at a convenience store, coin-operated amusement machines may be permitted at the location as a primary use with the approval of a CUP.

Included in the request for the CUP is a Modification to the Special Conditions to have one customer restroom instead of the required one customer restroom each for males and females. Special Conditions are special requirements for specific uses noted in Section 3-203 of the MZO under "Special Conditions." The MZO further states:

"The designated use is permitted only when in compliance with the special conditions listed. When a use is authorized as a conditional use or as a special exception, the authorizing body may approve modification of the special conditions by specifying the allowed modification in its approval, provided that proposed modifications must be identified in the required notices as part of the request. Modifications may be approved if it is determined that the use can be accommodated under modified conditions without creating adverse impacts on adjacent properties and that it will be compatible with the neighborhood."

Special Conditions for Coin-operated Amusement Game rooms include the following requirements:

- Customer restroom each for male and female;
- State license; and
- 300-ft separation from church, hospital, or school.

The coin-operated amusement machines have a current state license, and the place of business is at least 300 feet from any church, hospital, or school. The applicant is requesting a total of six coin-operated amusement machines.

## **MESQUITE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

The Mesquite Comprehensive Plan designates this area as Neighborhood Retail on the Future Land Use Map (see attachment 4). "Neighborhood Retail establishments include a variety of retail and personal service businesses that meet the daily needs of the residents. This development type generally includes small or medium scale development ranging from 1,500 square feet to 45,000 square feet and one to two stories in height."

## **STAFF COMMENTS:**

The CUP to allow a Coin-Operated Amusement Game room is not compatible with the *Mesquite Comprehensive Plan's* Neighborhood Retail designation. A game room is an entertainment use that would be more appropriate at a location that supports higher intensity uses as opposed to a site developed as a convenience store with limited fuel sales.

## **MESQUITE ZONING ORDINANCE**

#### **SECTION 5-503: REVIEW CRITERIA FOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS**

## 1. Existing uses

The Conditional Use will not be injurious to the use and enjoyment of other property in the immediate area for the purposes already permitted, nor substantially diminish and impair property values within the immediate vicinity.

#### **STAFF COMMENTS:**

It is City staff's opinion that the proposed CUP will be injurious to the existing use of the convenience store with fuel sales. Having a coin-operated amusement game room at a convenience store with gasoline sales would encourage patrons to remain for extended periods. Police records show a number of 911 calls to the subject property, as noted in Attachment # 6.

## 2. Vacant Properties

The Conditional Use will not impede the normal and orderly development and improvement of surrounding vacant property for uses predominant in the area.

#### **STAFF COMMENTS:**

Staff does not anticipate the request to negatively impact the normal and orderly development and improvement of surrounding vacant properties.

## 3. Services

Adequate utilities, access roads, drainage, and other necessary facilities have been or are being provided.

#### STAFF COMMENTS:

The subject property does not have a sufficient number of restrooms for the proposed primary use. Allowing one customer restroom to serve multiple primary uses and uses that encourage customers to stay at the location for extended periods of time is not suitable.

#### 4. Parking

Adequate measures have been or will be taken to provide sufficient off-street parking and loading spaces to serve the proposed uses.

#### STAFF COMMENTS:

The applicant operates a convenience store with limited fuel sales (EZ Trip Beer & Wine) and a restaurant at the subject property. While the operation of a convenience store and restaurant are permitted in conjunction with fuel sales, the MZO requires a number of parking spaces for each use. A convenience store with limited fuel sales, requires one parking space for each two hundred fifty square feet of floor area for buildings less than 10,000 square feet. Restaurants require one space for each three seats or one space for each 100 square feet of floor area, whichever is greater. A coin-operated amusement game room requires one parking space per each 50 square-feet of assembly area. It is estimated that a total of 15 parking spaces will be required. The site currently has 19 parking spaces, including parking spaces at fuel pumps.

#### 5. Performance Standards

Adequate measures have been or will be taken to prevent or control offensive odor, fumes, dust, noise, and vibration, so that none of these will constitute a nuisance and to control lighted signs and other lights in such a manner that no disturbances to neighboring properties will result.

## **STAFF COMMENTS:**

Staff does not anticipate disturbances such as offensive odors, fumes, dust, noise or vibration due to the operation of a game room. Disturbances to neighboring properties may result; however, due to the operation of a game room which may cause customers to remain at the business for extended periods of time.

#### CONCLUSIONS

The request does not meet the criteria for approval of a CUP.

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Staff mailed notices to property owners within 200 feet of the subject property. As of the date of this writing, Staff has not received any returned notices.

## **CODE CHECK**

The property failed an inspection (Attachment 9) on October 12, 2020, conducted by the Police Department to determine compliance with the Convenience Store and Late Hour Business Regulations in Chapter 8 of the City Code.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Aerial Map
- 2. Public Notification Map
- 3. Zoning Map
- 4. Future Land Use Map
- 5. Site Pictures
- 6. Police Activity Report
- 7. Application Materials
- 8. Floor Plan
- 9. Police Department Inspection Form

## **ATTACHMENT 1 – AERIAL MAP**



Request: CUP to allow a game room with

modifications

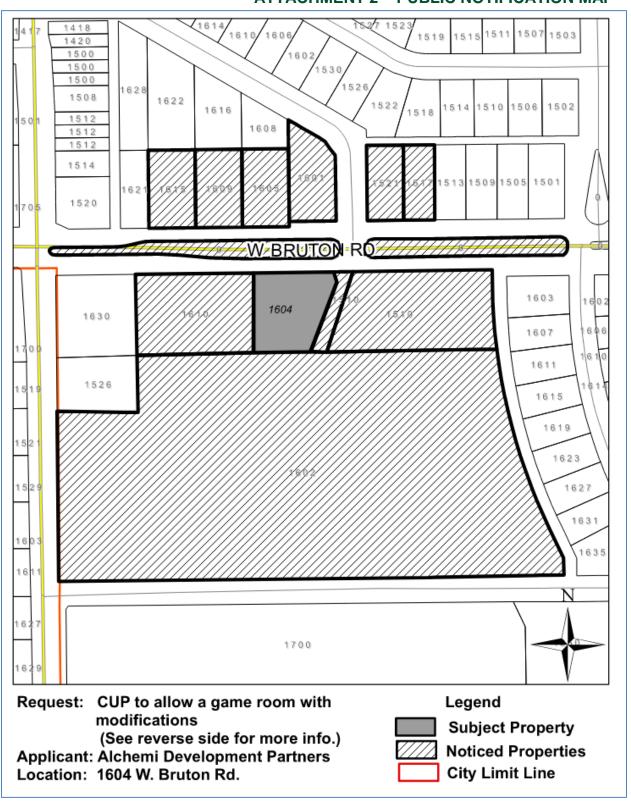
**Applicant: Alchemi Development Partners** 

Location: 1604 W. Bruton Rd.

Legend

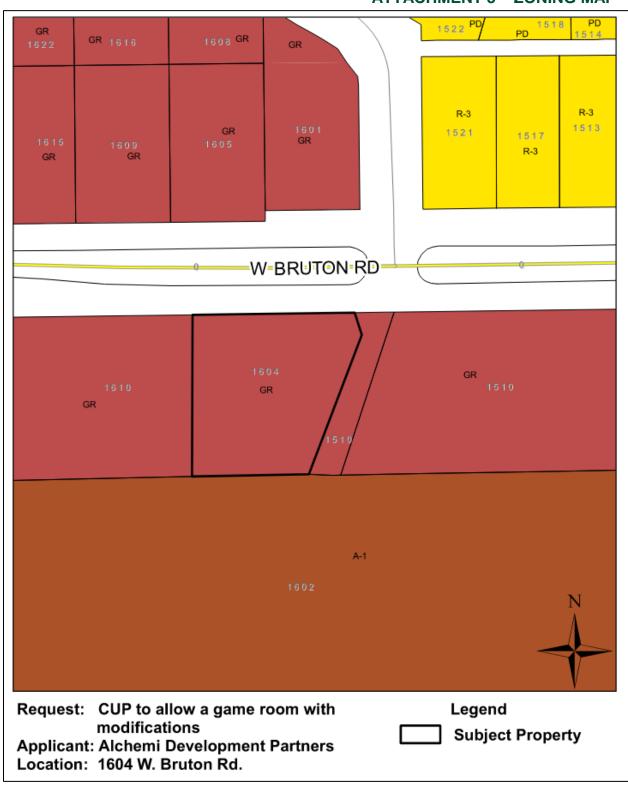
Subject Property

## **ATTACHMENT 2 – PUBLIC NOTIFICATION MAP**



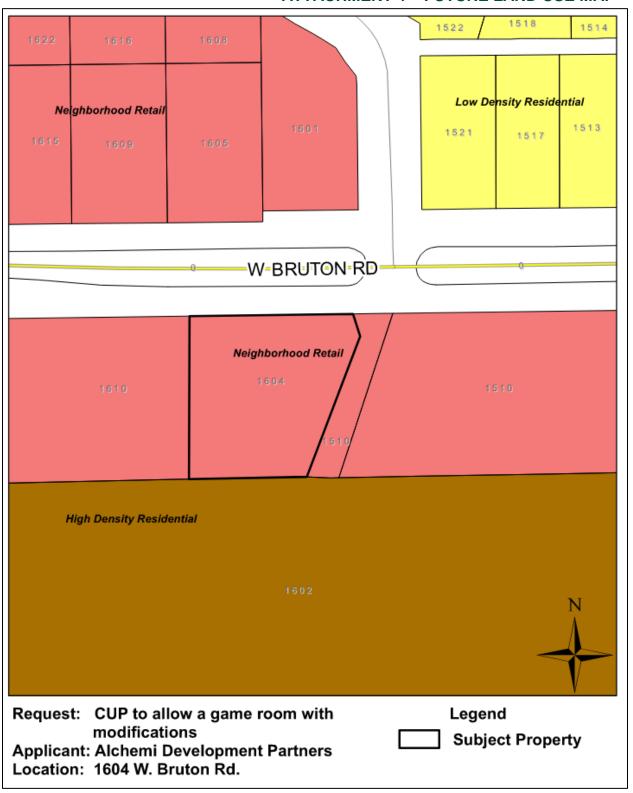
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## **ATTACHMENT 3 - ZONING MAP**



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## **ATTACHMENT 4 - FUTURE LAND USE MAP**



## ATTACHMENT 5 – SITE PHOTOS

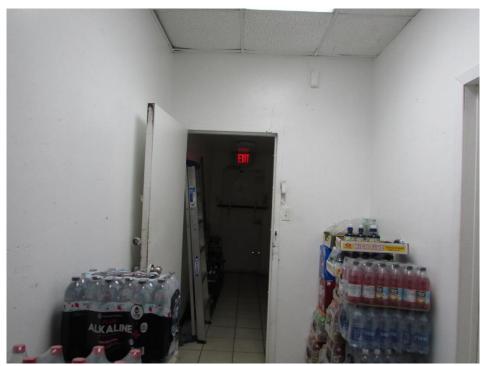


Street view of subject property.



Photo of existing coin operated game machines.

# **ATTACHMENT 5 – SITE PHOTOS**



Interior hallway to restroom.



Restroom.

# MESQUITE POLICE DEPARTMENT

# POLICE ACTIVITY REPORT

12/1/2015 - 11/30/2020

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ASSAULT	-	_	<u> </u>	2	3	_	2
ASSIST FD	-			1	1		2
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THEFT VEHICLE	-	_		0	1	-	12
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RESIST OR INTERFERE W/ POLICE					1		1
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## **ATTACHMENT 7 – APPLICATION MATERIALS**



#### Alchemi Development Partners, LLC Dallas – Ft Worth

November 14, 2020

To: City of Mesquite

## RE: Proposed Conditional Use Permit for Coin operated machines

Project: 1604 W Bruton Rd. Mesquite, Texas 75149

Dear City of Mesquite Planning Department

We are applying for the Conditional Use Permit for the coin operated machines. Our proposal includes adding a total of 6 machines to continue to operate. Please let us know what other documents are required.

The property is currently developed and operating, the businesses operating as a convenient store and is not changing any of the current business practices. Our request is only to allow 6-coin operated machines as they are currently operating.

Signed by Roberto Nunez Alchemi Development Partners 806.570.4867

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## **ATTACHMENT 7 - APPLICATION MATERIALS**

Mapsco: 59A-B (DALLAS)

## **DCAD Property Map**

#### **View Photo**

## 2020 Appraisal Notice

## **Electronic Documents (ENS)**



## **Print Homestead Exemption Form**

Owner (Current 2021)

AMERICAN KGB INC DBA EZ TRIP BEER & WINE 1604 W BRUTON RD MESQUITE, TEXAS 751490000

#### Multi-Owner (Current 2021)

Owner Name	Ownership %
AMERICAN KGB INC	100%

## Legal Desc (Current 2021)

- 1: HICKORY HEIGHTS 2
- 2: BLK A W PT LT 1R ACS 0.4747

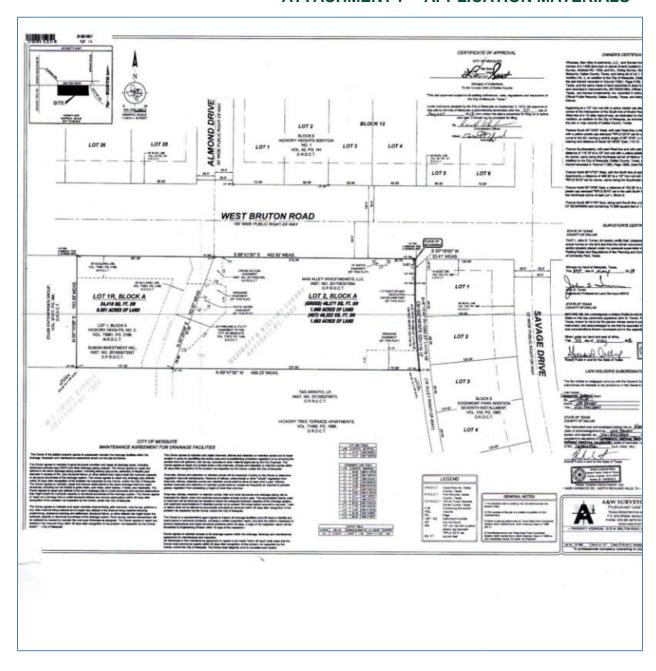
3:

- 4: INT202000262797 DD09242020 CO-DC
- 5: 1015000A01R00 3CM1015000A Deed Transfer Date: 9/28/2020

#### Value

value	
2020 Certified Values	
Improvement:	
Land: Market Value:	a management of annual contractions and
Revaluation Year:	2020
Previous Revaluation Year:	2019

## **ATTACHMENT 7 - APPLICATION MATERIALS**



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## OWNER AUTHORIZATION

- I hereby certify that I am the owner of the subject property or the duly authorized agent of the owner of the subject property for the purpose of this application.
- I hereby designate the person named as the applicant on page 1 of this application, if other than myself, to file this application and to act as the principal contact person with the City of Mesquite.
- 3. I hereby authorize the City of Mesquite, its agents or employees, to enter the subject property at any reasonable time for the purpose of taking photographs, documenting current use and current conditions of the property; and further, I release the City of Mesquite, its agents or employees from liability for any damages which may be incurred to the subject property in taking of said photographs.
- I have read and understand the information contained in the City of Mesquite Conditional Use Permit Application.

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 Niraj KC
 Phone Number:
 682-710-2481

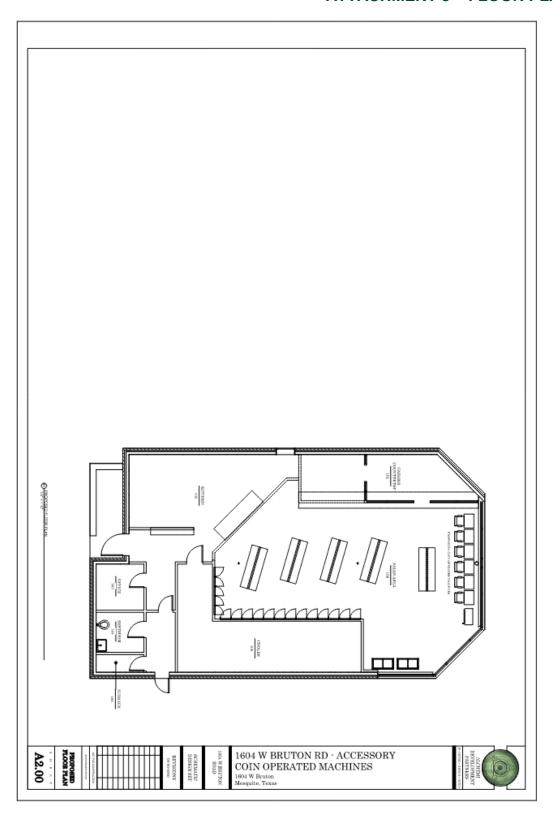
 Address:
 1604 W. Bruton Road
 Email Address:
 LLUVNIRAJ@GMAIL.COM

Each property owner must complete a separate authorization form

11/10/2020 Ferrez A. Lakhami

FEROZ A. LAKHANI
Notary Public, State of Texas
Comm. Expires 08-01-2024
Notary ID 125064519

## **ATTACHMENT 8 - FLOOR PLAN**



# ATTACHMENT 9 – POLICE DEPARTMENT INSPECTION FORM

MESQUITE POLICE CONVENIENCE STORE AND LATE HOURS BUSINESS INSPECTION FORM	
Business Name: E2 Trip	Date: 10-12-20
Address: 1604 Bruton	Hours: _ 6 gn - 12 an
Registered? N	
PDF FILES OF THE CITY ORDINANCE AND THE MPD TRAINING MATERIAL ARE AVAILABLE ON THE	REGISTRATION PAGE AT WWW MESOLUTEROLICE ORC
Surveillance System Sec 8-915	Yes No Notes
At least four cameras	
At least 1080P	
Entrance Covered	
Exit Covered	
Registers Covered	
Retention of at least 10 days	
Continuous Recording (not motion based)	
Is the DVR clock accurate?	
Known Password	
DVR physically accessible	
Video Surveillance Sign on Door (provided by Mesquite PD)	
Circle one:	FAIL
Visibility - Both Late Hours Business & Convenience Stores <u>at all times</u> Sec 8-916  Line of sight to register through windows and public access doors. Windows and public doors must be clear between 3' - 6' "if "no", next line must be "yes"  Two employees on site at ALL times OR Controlled access window  Circle one:	Yes No Notes
Additional Requirements - Convenience Store or Late Hours Business between 22 00-05 00 Sec.8-917	■ 4 × × × × × × × × × × × × × × × × × ×
Two Employees OR Controlled Access Window	Yes No Notes
in addition to the above, one of the following must be present,	
Covert Theft Detection Device OR Drop Safe OR Silent Police Alarm System	
f there is a Drop Safe, are there proper drop safe decals? (If no drop safe, leave blank)	/
Silent Police Alarm	/
f there is a Silent Police Alarm, is there a Panic Button within reach of the register and are there entry/exit decals? (if no Silent Police Alarm, leave blank)	
PASS PASS	FAIL
ignage & Height Strips Sec 8-914	Marcal agree to the transfer of the Personal Company
No Loitering" & "No Trespassing" signs (in English and Spanish) at all public entrances and exits	Yes No Notes
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