CITY OF LA CROSSE, WISCONSIN CITY PLAN COMMISSION REPORT September 29, 2014

AGENDA ITEM - PC2014-09-29-06 (Nathan Patros)

AN ORDINANCE to amend Section 115-110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse transferring certain property from the Light Industrial District to the Local Business District at 1407/1501 St. Andrew Street allowing for residential apartments on upper floors.

ROUTING: J&A Committee

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The subject Ordinance would transfer that property depicted on attached MAP2014-08-29-06 from the Light Industrial District to the Local Business District so the 3rd and 4th floors of the subject property can be renovated for residential use. The applicant is proposing to construct 36 studio apartments to the building formerly used as the La Crosse Footwear manufacturing center. A number of mixed uses exist in these buildings, including, but not limited to office space, a restaurant, and a mail service center.

GENERAL LOCATION:

North of Red Cloud Park, formerly the La Crosse Footwear building.

RECOMMENDATION OF OTHER BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

N/A

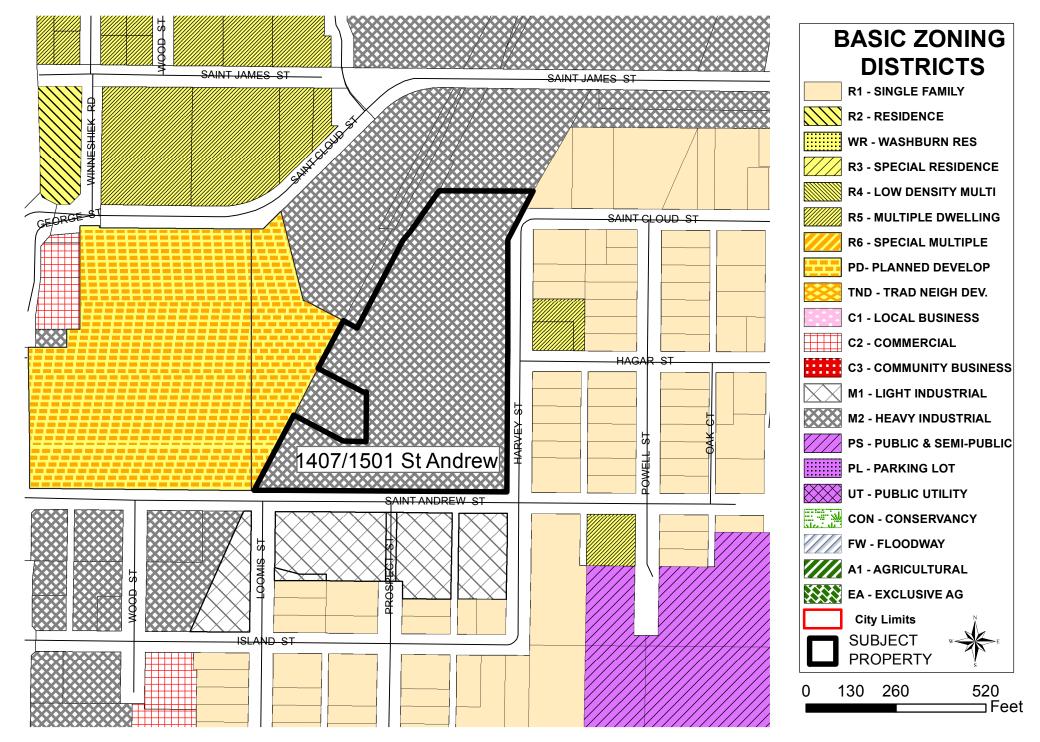
CONSISTENCY WITH ADOPTED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:

The future land use map shows these properties as light industrial, however, the future land use map was created at a time when industrial uses were in operation at this site. The Comprehensive Plan highlights the need for infill development of underutilized developments in a situation like this, where an industrial building is no longer viable as a result relocation.

PLANNING RECOMMENDATION:

The subject parcel is located in a unique area of town where an adjacent residential neighborhood exists to the east, a proposed redevelopment of the former Trane Plant 6 site is to the west, and existing industrial uses exist to the north. La Crosse and other similar manufacturing cities across the country have experienced the effects of manufacturing shifting overseas, leaving an opportunity for such industrial building to be retrofitted for residential uses. In short, manufacturing typically produces more jobs and less public service dollars on average, however, under current market conditions, cities have had to modify such zoning to capitalize on alternative uses, such as a mixture of commercial and/or residential uses. **This Ordinance is recommended for approval.**

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BASIC ZONING DISTRICTS

R1 - SINGLE FAMILY

R2 - RESIDENCE

WR - WASHBURN RES

R3 - SPECIAL RESIDENCE

R4 - LOW DENSITY MULTI

R5 - MULTIPLE DWELLING

R6 - SPECIAL MULTIPLE

PD- PLANNED DEVELOP

TND - TRAD NEIGH DEV.

C1 - LOCAL BUSINESS

C2 - COMMERCIAL

C3 - COMMUNITY BUSINESS

M1 - LIGHT INDUSTRIAL

M2 - HEAVY INDUSTRIAL

PS - PUBLIC & SEMI-PUBLIC

PL - PARKING LOT

UT - PUBLIC UTILITY

CON - CONSERVANCY

FW - FLOODWAY

A1 - AGRICULTURAL

EA - EXCLUSIVE AG

City Limits

SUBJECT



130 260

520 ⊐ Feet