

CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS ZONING HEARING EXAMINER NOTIFICATION OF DECISION

DIANA DORN-JONES (DAC ENT., AGENT) request(s) a special exception to Section 14-16-2-16(A)(2)(e) and Pg.45 ii Ref. 14-16-2-13(B)(2) Ref.: a CONDITIOANL USE to allow a proposed charter school on all or a portion of Lot(s) S. 1/2 of lot 3, all of lots 5 & 6, Block(s) 18, EASTERN ADDN zoned SU-2 LCR, located at 1119 EDITH BLVD SE (L-14)

Special Exception No:	11ZHE-80301
Project No:	Project# 1009072
Hearing Date:	01-17-12
Closing of Public Record:	
Date of Decision:	01-27-12

STATEMENT OF FACTS: The applicant, Diana Dorn-Jones, requests a conditional use to allow a proposed charter school. Doug Crandall, agent for the applicant, testified that if this request is approved, no physical expansion to the existing building will be done. The existing building is currently used as an APS after school facility. The proposed charter school is primarily to provide another level of educational opportunity for those students of the neighborhood who need an alternative to mainstream education. This use will not interfere with the overall existing mixed land uses. The ages of the students will be K-12 and to start, there will be approximately 15 students. The hours of operation will be Monday through Friday during regular school hours.

Sharon Bloom, adjacent property owner, testified at the hearing with some concerns regarding the proposed use. Some concerns include: lack of playground area for children; traffic; lack of drop-off zone for children; lack of off-street parking; small space for classrooms; trash pick-up; and adequacy of building standards.

Mr. Crandall indicated that if the State of New Mexico does not approve this school and if all requirements are not met, Ms. Dorn-Jones will not be able to open this Charter School.

Based on all of the testimony and a review of the entire file, it is determined there is substantial evidence to make the following findings and conclusions:

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS: I find that this request complies with Section 14. 16. 4. 2. (C). 1., for the granting of a conditional use upon a finding that the proposed use will not cause injury to the neighborhood, adjacent property or the community, nor will it be damaged by surrounding structures. For reasons stated above, this request is approved.

DECISION: Approved with condition(s):

CONDITION(S):

1. Subject to State of New Mexico approval regarding issues raised by Ms. Bloom and certification.

The approval is subject to the submitted site plan, as required. Any substantial changes to the site plan, as determined by the Zoning Enforcement Division, shall require the scheduling of an additional Public Hearing.

A Building Permit must be applied for at the Building Permit Desk which is located at the Plaza del Sol Building, Ground Level on the east side of the lobby.

If you wish to appeal this decision, you may do so by 5:00 p.m., on February 13, 2012 in the manner described below:

Appeal is to the Board of Appeals within 15 days of the decision. A filing fee of \$105.00 shall accompany each appeal application, as well as a written explanation outlining the reason for appeal and a copy of the ZHE decision. Appeals are taken at 600 2nd Street, Plaza Del Sol Building, Ground Level, Planning Application Counter located on the west side of the lobby. **Please present this letter of notification when filing an appeal.** When an application is withdrawn, the fee shall not be refunded.

An appeal shall be heard by the Board of Appeals within 45 days of the appeal period and concluded within 75 days of the appeal period. The Planning Division shall give written notice of an appeal, together with a notice of the date, time and place of the hearing to the applicant, a representative of the opponents, if any are known, and the appellant.

Please note that pursuant to Section 14. 16. 4. 4. (B)., of the City of Albuquerque Comprehensive Zoning Code, you must demonstrate that you have legal standing to file an appeal as defined.

You will receive notice if any other person files an appeal. If there is no appeal, you can receive building permits any time after the appeal deadline quoted above, provided all conditions imposed at the time of approval have been met. However, the Zoning Hearing Examiner may allow issuance of building permits if the public hearing produces no objection of any kind to the approval of an application. To receive this approval, the applicant agrees in writing to return the building permit or occupation tax number.

Successful applicants are reminded that other regulations of the City must be complied with, even after approval of a special exception is secured. This decision does not constitute approval of plans for a building permit. If your application is approved, bring this decision with you when you apply for any related building permit or occupation tax number. Approval of a conditional use or a variance application is void after one year from date of approval if the rights and privileges are granted, thereby have not been executed or utilized.

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