

city of saint paul
planning commission resolution

file number 17-47

date July 28, 2017

Commercial Development District: Former Hope Engine House Site

WHEREAS, an application has been submitted to the City Council for the the creation of a Commercial Development District at the former Hope Engine House site pursuant to §17.07.1 of the City Charter and to §409.20 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code, for the purpose of removing the property from restrictions on the number of on-sale intoxicating liquor licenses allowed within the liquor patrol limits; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Safety and Inspections has consulted with the Planning Commission for advice concerning the proposal's consistency with the City's comprehensive plan and zoning ordinance pursuant to §409.20 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code; and

WHEREAS, the Saint Paul Planning Commission has made the following findings of fact:

1. The former Hope Engine House site includes one building at 1 Leech Street (see attached map).
2. The proposed Commercial Development District is confined to the former Hope Engine House site.
3. The proposed Commercial Development District is consistent with the Saint Paul Comprehensive Plan.
4. The proposed Commercial Development District is consistent with the District 9 Area Plan, which recommends concentrating commercial activity at West 7th and series of cross streets, including Grand Avenue, to improve commercial vitality. The proposed Firehouse Wine Bar would be located in the W 7th and Grand commercial district and will help to bring renewed activity to this area.
5. The proposed Commercial Development District is consistent with existing zoning. The property is zoned T2 traditional neighborhood, which permits bars less than 5,000 sq. ft. in area by right.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, under provisions of the City Charter §17.07.1 and Legislative Code §409.20, that the Planning Commission hereby reports to the City Council that the proposed Commercial Development District is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Code, and supports creation of the proposed district.

moved by DeJoy

seconded by _____

in favor Unanimous

against _____