

City of Fayetteville, Arkansas

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Legislation Text

File #: 2024-23

RZN-2024-0014: Rezoning (141 W. SKYLINE DR/MOUNT SEQUOYAH CENTER, 486): Submitted by MOUNT SEQUOYAH CENTER INC for property located at 141 W. SKYLINE DR. in WARD 1. The property is zoned RSF-4, RESIDENTIAL SINGLE-FAMILY, FOUR UNITS PER ACRE and contains approximately 0.37 acres. The request is to rezone the property to P-1, INSTITUTIONAL.

AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN REZONING PETITION RZN 2024-014 FOR APPROXIMATELY 0.37 ACRES LOCATED AT 141 WEST SKYLINE DRIVE IN WARD 1 FROM RSF-4, RESIDENTIAL SINGLE-FAMILY, FOUR UNITS PER ACRE TO P-1, INSTITUTIONAL

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS:

<u>Section 1</u>: That the City Council of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas hereby changes the zone classification of the property shown on the map (Exhibit A) and the legal description (Exhibit B) both attached to the Planning Department's Agenda Memo from RSF-4, Residential Single-Family, Four Units Per Acre to P-1, Institutional.

<u>Section 2</u>: That the City Council of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas hereby amends the official zoning map of the City of Fayetteville to reflect the zoning change provided in Section 1.



CITY COUNCIL MEMO

2024-23

MEETING OF MAY 7, 2024

TO: Mayor Jordan and City Council

THRU: Susan Norton, Chief of Staff

Jonathan Curth, Development Services Director

FROM: Jessica Masters, Development Review Manager

SUBJECT: RZN-2024-0014: Rezoning (141 W. SKYLINE DR/MOUNT SEQUOYAH CENTER, 486):

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request is to rezone the property to P-1, INSTITUTIONAL.

RECOMMENDATION:

City Planning staff and the Planning Commission recommend approval of a request to rezone the subject property as described and shown in the attached Exhibits 'A' and 'B'.

BACKGROUND:

The subject property is located on W. Skyline Drive in east Fayetteville, approximately ½ mile east of downtown. The property contains one parcel totaling 0.40 acres which is currently zoned RSF-4, Residential Single-Family – Four Units per Acre, and is undeveloped but for a cross sculpture that belongs to the Mount Sequoyah Center. County records indicate that the property has been owned by the Mount Sequoyah Center and a previously-affiliated Methodist Church organization since at least 1975.

Request: The request is to rezone the subject property from RSF-4, Residential Single-Family – Four Units per Acre to P-1, Institutional.

Public Comment: Prior to the Planning Commission meeting, staff did not receive any public comment on the item. At the April 8, 2024 Planning Commission meeting, one member of the public spoke. Information is summarized in the discussion section.

Land Use Compatibility: Staff finds the requested rezoning to be compatible with the surrounding area and current land uses. RSF-4 is a strictly single-family residential zoning district, and the property is surrounded on all three sides by this zoning designation. This lot was originally platted by the Western Methodist Assembly in 1923, and though it appears to have been potentially originally platted for residential use (Lots 60-62), property records indicate that it has been consistently used or owned by the Mount Sequoyah Assembly/Center since its original platting. Staff finds that the P-1 zoning district is compatible with the existing land use of the property, a cultural and recreational facility. Rezoning the property to P-1 would allow the use of the property by the Mount Sequoyah Center to continue, expand, or reconstruct, bringing the existing non-conforming use into compliance with zoning.

Land Use Plan Analysis: Staff finds the proposed rezoning to be somewhat consistent with the goals in City

Plan 2040 and the property's future land use designation as Residential Neighborhood area. A rezoning from RSF-4 to P-1 contributes to City Plan 2040 goal #3, in that it helps promote a compact, complete, and connected development. This site is walkable within the overall neighborhood that sits on Mount Sequoyah and is a frequent destination for the public. While not a site identified as encouraging a high amount of infill, this proposed rezoning would help allow an existing, non-conforming publicly oriented space to continue.

CITY PLAN 2040 INFILL MATRIX: City Plan 2040's Infill Matrix indicates a score of 4 for this site. The following elements of the matrix contribute to the score:

- Adequate Fire Response (Station #1, 303 W. Center Street)
- Near Sewer Main (6" main along west side of property)
- Near Water Main (8" main, W. Skyline Drive)
- Near City Park (Mt. Sequoyah Gardens)

DISCUSSION:

At the April 8, 2024 Planning Commission meeting, a motion to forward with a recommendation of approval passed with a unanimous vote of 7-0-0. Commissioners did not have any comment on the item. One member of the public asked questions about any proposed development and wished for the overlook to remain accessible to the public. The applicant indicated that the intention was to build an overlook deck at the property with grant funding secured by the Project for Public Spaces.

BUDGET/STAFF IMPACT:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS: SRF (#3), Exhibit A (#4), Exhibit B (#5), Planning Commission Staff Report (#6)



FAYETTEVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION MEMO

TO: Fayetteville Planning Commission

FROM: Jessie Masters, Development Review Manager

MEETING DATE: April 8, 2024 Updated with results from April 8, 2024 PC Meeting

SUBJECT: RZN-2024-0014: Rezoning (141 W. SKYLINE DR/MOUNT SEQUOYAH

CENTER, 486): Submitted by MOUNT SEQUOYAH CENTER INC for property located at 141 W. SKYLINE DR. The property is zoned RSF-4, RESIDENTIAL SINGLE-FAMILY, FOUR UNITS PER ACRE and contains approximately 0.37 acres. The request is to rezone the property to P-1,

INSTITUTIONAL.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends forwarding **RZN-2024-0014** to City Council with a recommendation of approval.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

"I move to forward RZN-2024-0014 to City Council with a recommendation of approval."

BACKGROUND:

The subject property is located on W. Skyline Drive in east Fayetteville, approximately ½ mile east of downtown. The property contains one parcel totaling 0.40 acres which is currently zoned RSF-4, Residential Single-Family – Four Units per Acre, and is undeveloped but for a cross sculpture that belongs to the Mount Sequoyah Center. County records indicate that the property has been owned by the Mount Sequoyah Center and previously-affiliated Methodist Church organization since at least 1975, and likely since the lots were originally platted in 1923. Surrounding land uses and zoning are depicted in *Table 1*.

Table 1: Surrounding Land Uses and Zoning

Direction	Land Use	Zoning
North	Single-Family Residential	RSF-4, Residential Single-Family – Four Units per Acre
South	Single-Family Residential	RSF-4, Residential Single-Family – Four Units per Acre
East	Civic Institutional (Mt. Sequoyah Center)	P-1, Institutional
West	Single-Family Residential	RSF-4, Residential Single-Family – Four Units per Acre

Request: The request is to rezone the subject property from RSF-4, Residential Single-Family – Four Units per Acre to P-1, Institutional.

Public Comment: To date, staff has received no public comment regarding this request.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:

Streets: The subject area has road frontage along W. Skyline Drive, which is a partially

improved Residential Link Street with asphalt paving with open ditches. Any street improvements required in these areas would be determined at the time of

development proposal. Any additional improvements or requirements for drainage will be determined at time of development.

Water: Public water is available to the subject area. An existing 8-inch water main is

present on the east side of W. Skyline Drive.

Sewer: Sanitary sewer is available to the subject area. An existing 6-inch sewer main is

present on the subject property.

Drainage: A portion of the property lies within the Hillside/Hilltop Overlay District. Additional

restrictions will apply at the time of development. Engineered footing designs will be required at the time of building permit submittal, as well as grading, erosion

control and abbreviated tree preservation plans.

Fire: Fire apparatus access and fire protection water supplies will be reviewed for

compliance with the Arkansas Fire Prevention Code at the time of development. Station 1, located at 303 W. Center St., protects this site. The property is located approximately 1.5 miles from the fire station with an anticipated drive time of approximately 5 minutes using existing streets. The anticipated response time would be approximately 7.2 minutes. Fire Department response time is calculated based on the drive time plus 1 minute for dispatch and 1.2 minutes for turn-out time. Within the City Limits, the Fayetteville Fire Department has a response time

goal of 6 minutes for an engine and 8 minutes for a ladder truck.

Police: The Police Department did not comment on this request.

Tree Preservation:

The proposed zoning district, P-1, Institutional, requires **25% minimum canopy preservation**. The current zoning district, RSF-4, Residential Single-Family – Four Units per Acre, requires **25% minimum canopy preservation**.

CITY PLAN 2040 FUTURE LAND USE PLAN: The City Plan 2040 Future Land Use Plan designates the property within the proposed rezone as **Residential Neighborhood**.

Residential Neighborhood areas are primarily residential in nature and support a wide variety of housing types of appropriate scale and context. Residential Neighborhood encourages highly connected, compact blocks with gridded street patterns and reduced building setbacks. It also encourages traditional neighborhood development that incorporates low-intensity non-residential uses intended to serve the surrounding neighborhoods. This designation recognizes the existing conventional subdivision developments that may have large blocks with conventional setbacks and development patterns that respond to features of the natural environment.

CITY PLAN 2040 INFILL MATRIX: City Plan 2040's Infill Matrix indicates a score of <u>4</u> for this site with a weighted score of <u>3.5</u>. The following elements of the matrix contribute to the score:

- Adequate Fire Response (Station #1, 303 W. Center Street)
- Near Sewer Main (6" main along west side of property)
- Near Water Main (8" main, W. Skyline Drive)
- Near City Park (Mt. Sequoyah Gardens)

FINDINGS OF THE STAFF

1. A determination of the degree to which the proposed zoning is consistent with land use planning objectives, principles, and policies and with land use and zoning plans.

Finding:

Land Use Compatibility: Staff finds the requested rezoning to be compatible with the surrounding area and current land uses. RSF-4 is a strictly single-family residential zoning district, and the property is surrounded on all three sides by this zoning designation. This lot was originally platted by the Western Methodist Assembly in 1923, and though it appears to have been potentially originally platted for residential use (Lots 60-62), property records indicate that it has been consistently used or owned by the Mount Sequoyah Assembly/Center since its original platting. Staff finds that the P-1 zoning district is compatible with the existing land use of the property, a cultural and recreational facility. Rezoning the property to P-1 would allow the use of the property by the Mount Sequoyah Center to continue, expand, or reconstruct, bringing the existing non-conforming use into compliance with zoning.

Land Use Plan Analysis: Staff finds the proposed rezoning to be somewhat consistent with the goals in City Plan 2040 and the property's future land use designation as Residential Neighborhood area. A rezoning from RSF-4 to P-1 contributes to City Plan 2040 goal #3, in that it helps promote a compact, complete, and connected development. This site is walkable within the overall neighborhood that sits on Mount Sequoyah and is a frequent destination for the public. While not a site identified as encouraging a high amount of infill, this proposed rezoning would help allow an existing, nonconforming publicly oriented space to continue.

2. A determination of whether the proposed zoning is justified and/or needed at the time the rezoning is proposed.

Finding:

Staff finds there is sufficient justification to rezone the property from RSF-4 to P-1. This request will bring an existing non-conforming use (a cultural and recreational facility and a long-standing institutional use) into compliance with zoning with the underlying zoning district.

3. A determination as to whether the proposed zoning would create or appreciably increase traffic danger and congestion.

Finding:

A rezoning from RSF-4 to P-1 has the potential to increase traffic to this location, though staff does not find that this would be to a dangerous degree. The site currently has a large draw, as it is a physical focal point for the City, drawing members of the public and tourists for the view. Staff finds that any new development on the site would be subject to the typical development review process and infrastructure evaluation that would be roughly proportional to the proposal.

4. A determination as to whether the proposed zoning would alter the population density and thereby undesirably increase the load on public services including schools, water, and sewer facilities.

Finding:

The proposed rezoning does not have the potential to alter the population density. Modifying the zoning from RSF-4 to P-1 will remove the residential uses and re-align the property to an institutional use. Staff does not find that the rezoning request will undesirably increase the load on public services at this site.

- 5. If there are reasons why the proposed zoning should not be approved in view of considerations under b (1) through (4) above, a determination as to whether the proposed zoning is justified and/or necessitated by peculiar circumstances such as:
 - a. It would be impractical to use the land for any of the uses permitted under its existing zoning classifications;
 - b. There are extenuating circumstances which justify the rezoning even though there are reasons under b (1) through (4) above why the proposed zoning is not desirable.

Finding: N/A

RECOMMENDATION: Planning staff recommends forwarding RZN-2024-0014 to City Council with a recommendation of approval.

PLANNING COMMISSI	ON ACTION:	Required <u>YES</u>	
Date: <u>April 8, 2024</u>	□ Tabled	🔀 Forwarded	☐ Denied
Motion: Castin			
Second: Werner			
Vote: 7-0-0			

BUDGET/STAFF IMPACT:

None

ATTACHMENTS:

- Unified Development Code
 - §161.07 District RSF-4, Residential Single-Family Four (4) Units Per Acre
 - o §161.32 District P-1, Institutional
- Request Letter
- Mount Sequoyah Plat Exhibit
- One Mile Map
- Close-Up Map
- Current Land Use Map
- Future Land Use Map

161.07 District RSF-4, Residential Single-Family - Four (4) Units Per Acre

(A) Purpose. The RSF-4 Residential District is designed to permit and encourage the development of low density detached dwellings in suitable environments, as well as to protect existing development of these types.

(B) Uses.

(1) Permitted Uses.

Unit 1	City-wide uses by right
Unit 8	Single-family dwellings
Unit 41	Accessory dwellings
Unit 46	Short-term rentals

(2) Conditional Uses.

Unit 2	City-wide uses by conditional use permit
Unit 3	Public protection and utility facilities
Unit 4	Cultural and recreational facilities
Unit 5	Government facilities
Unit 9	Two-family dwellings
Unit 12a	Limited business
Unit 24	Home occupations
Unit 36	Wireless communications facilities
Unit 44	Cluster Housing Development

(C) Density.

	Single-family dwellings	Two (2) family dwellings
Units per acre	4 or less	7 or less

(D) Bulk and Area Regulations.

	Single-family dwellings	Two (2) family dwellings
Lot minimum width	70 feet	80 feet
Lot area minimum	8,000 square feet	12,000 square feet
Land area per dwelling unit	8,000 square feet	6,000 square feet
Hillside Overlay District Lot minimum width	60 feet	70 feet
Hillside Overlay District Lot area minimum	8,000 square feet	12,000 square feet
Land area per dwelling unit	8,000 square feet	6,000 square feet

(E) Setback Requirements.

Front	Side	Rear
15 feet	5 feet	15 feet

(F) Building Height Regulations.

Building Height Maximum	3 stories

(G) Building Area. On any lot the area occupied by all buildings shall not exceed 40% of the total area of such lot. Accessory ground mounted solar energy systems shall not be considered buildings.

161.32 District P-1, Institutional

- (A) Purpose. The Institutional District is designed to protect and facilitate use of property owned by larger public institutions and church related organizations.
- (B) Uses.
 - (1) Permitted Uses.

Unit 1	City-wide uses by right
Unit 4	Cultural and recreational facilities
Unit 5	Government facilities
Unit 46	Short-term rentals

(2) Conditional Uses.

Unit 2	City-wide uses by conditional use permit
Unit 3	Public protection and utility facilities
Unit 26	Multi-family dwellings
Unit 36	Wireless communications facilities
Unit 42	Clean technologies

- (C) Density. None.
- (D) Bulk and Area Regulations. None.
- (E) Setback Regulations.

Front	30 feet
Front, if parking is allowed between the right-of-way and the building	50 feet
Side	20 feet
Side, when contiguous to a residential district	25 feet
Rear	25 feet
Rear, from center line of public alley	10 feet

- (F) Height Regulations. There shall be no maximum height limits in P-1 Districts, provided, however, if a building exceeds the height of two (2) stories, the portion of the building that exceeds two (2) stories shall have an additional setback from any boundary line of an adjacent residential district. The amount of additional setback for the portion of the building over two (2) stories shall be equal to the difference between the total height of that portion of the building, and two (2) stories.
- (G) Building Area. On any lot the area occupied by all buildings shall not exceed 60% of the total area of such lot. Accessory ground mounted solar energy systems shall not be considered buildings.

 $\begin{array}{l} (\text{Code } 1965, \text{App. A., Art. } 5(\text{XI}); \text{ Ord. No. } 2603, 2-19-80; \text{ Ord. No. } 2621, 4-1-80; \text{ Ord. No. } 1747, 6-29-70; \text{ Code } 1991, \\ \$160.042; \text{ Ord. No. } 4100, \$2 \text{ (Ex. A), } 6-16-98; \text{ Ord. No. } 4178, 8-31-99; \text{ Ord. No. } 5073, 11-06-07; \text{ Ord. No. } 5195, 11-6-08; \text{ Ord. No. } 5312, 4-20-10; \text{ Ord. No. } 5800 \text{ , } \$1(\text{Exh. A), } 10-6-15; \text{ Ord. No. } 5945 \text{ , } \$5, 7, 1-17-17; \text{ Ord. No. } 6015 \text{ , } \$1(\text{Exh. A), } 11-21-17; \text{ Ord. No. } 6245 \text{ , } \$2, 10-15-19; \text{ Ord. No. } 6521 \text{ , } \$8, 1-18-22) \end{array}$



FAYETTEVILLE, AR
1922-2022

Rezoning Application

February 28, 2024

by:

Emily Gentry
President & CEO
Mount Sequoyah Center, Inc.
479-443-4531
emily.gentry@mountsequoyah.org

Payment

Mount Sequoyah Center, Inc. has submitted proper payment for application fees.

Rezoning fee: \$325

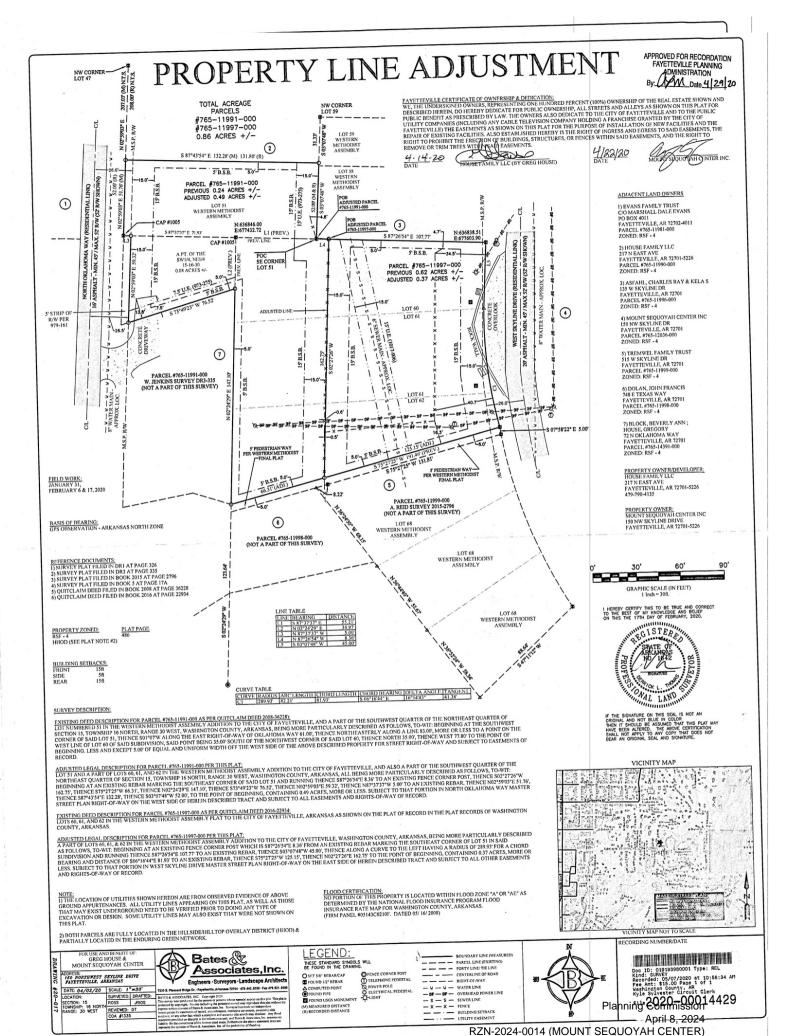
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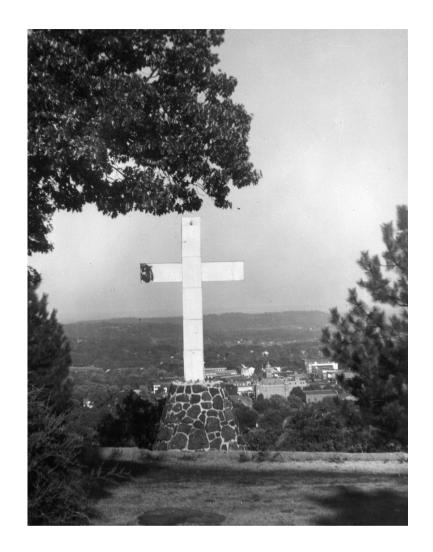
Legal Description of Mount Sequoyah Center Inc.'s Overlook Area Parcel #765-11997-000

A PART OF LOTS 60,61, & 62 IN THE WESTERN METHODIST ASSEMBLY ADDITION TO THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE, WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO-WIT: BEGINNING AT AN EXISTING FENCE CORNER POST WHICH IS \$87°26'54"E 8.36' FROM AN EXISTING REBAR MARKING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 51 IN SAID SUBDIVISION AND RUNNING THENCE \$87°26'54"E 107.77' TO AN EXISTING REBAR, THENCE \$03°07'48"W 45.00', THENCE ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT HAVING A RADIUS OF 289.93' FOR A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF \$06°16'44"E 81.93' TO AN EXISTING REBAR, THENCE \$75°27'25"W 125.15', THENCE N02°27'26"E 162.75' TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 0.37 ACRES, MORE OR LESS. SUBJECT TO THAT PORTION IN WEST SKYLINE DRIVE MASTER STREET PLAN RIGHT-OF-WAY ON THE EAST SIDE OF HEREIN DESCRIBED TRACT AND SUBJECT TO ALL OTHER EASEMENTS AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY RECORD.



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Photos









Statement

A statement explaining the compatibility of this proposed rezoning with neighboring property and explaining why the proposed rezoning will not unreasonably adversely affect or conflict with surrounding land uses.

Mount Sequoyah is applying to rezone the described property from RSF-4 Residential Single Family to P-1 Institution. Other sections of the Mount Sequoyah Center, Inc. property are currently zoned P-1, so this would bring an additional section of the owned property into the same zoning. The property is currently being used by the center as a cultural and historic landmark of the city of Fayetteville, so the proposed change will not adversely affect or conflict with the surrounding land uses.

Notification

Mount Sequoyah Center, Inc. shall mail a written notice of the action by first-class mail to the address of all landowners and residents with separate addresses within 200 feet of the boundary line of the property on which the use is proposed.

The applicant shall provide the following to the Planning Division:

- a. alphabetical list of the landowners and residents with separate addresses receiving notification
- b. map showing the landowners' relationship to the site
- c. copy of the notice sent to the landowners and residents
- d. certificate of mailing

Mount Sequoyah Center, Inc. shall post proper signage for the required period of time and photograph and submit proof of proper posting.

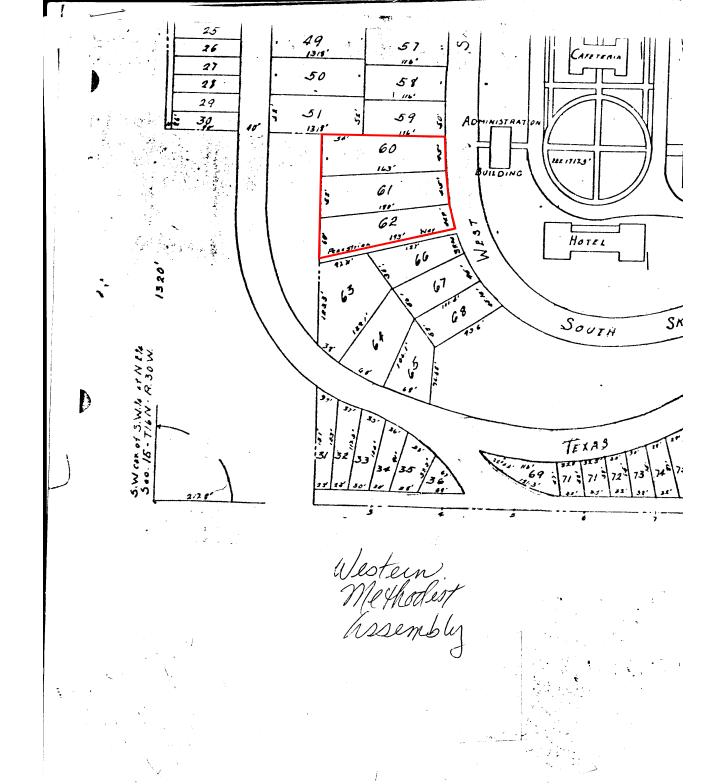
Consent of Owner Form

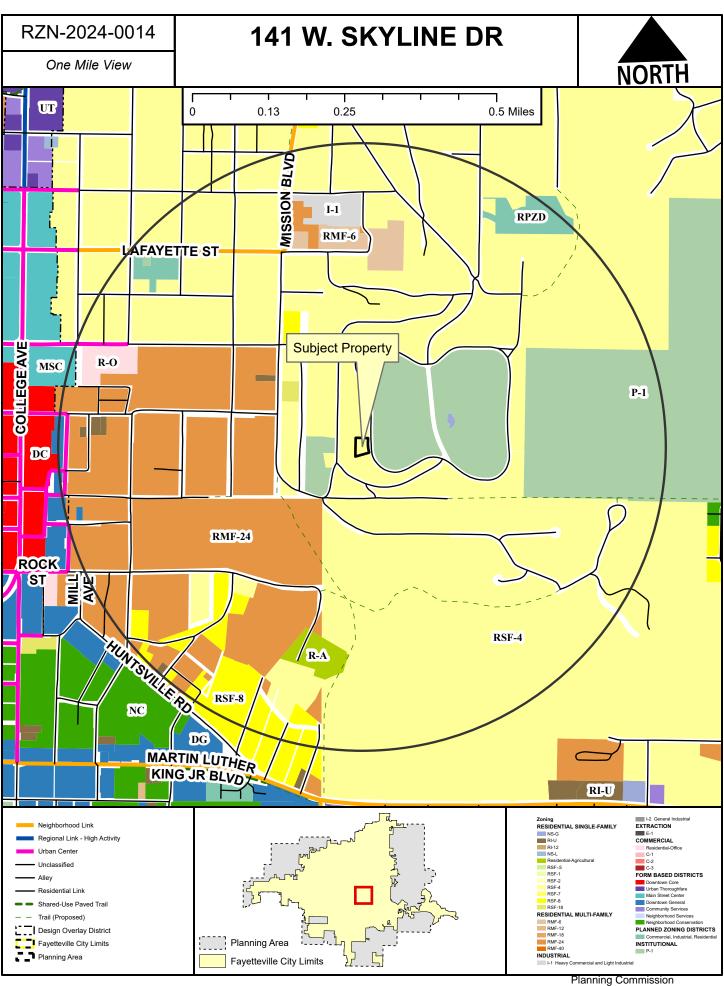
PROPERTY OWNER(S) / **AUTHORIZED AGENT:** By signing below, I/we certify under penalty of perjury that I am/we are the owner(s) of the property that is the subject of this application and that I/we have authorized this application and consent to its filing.

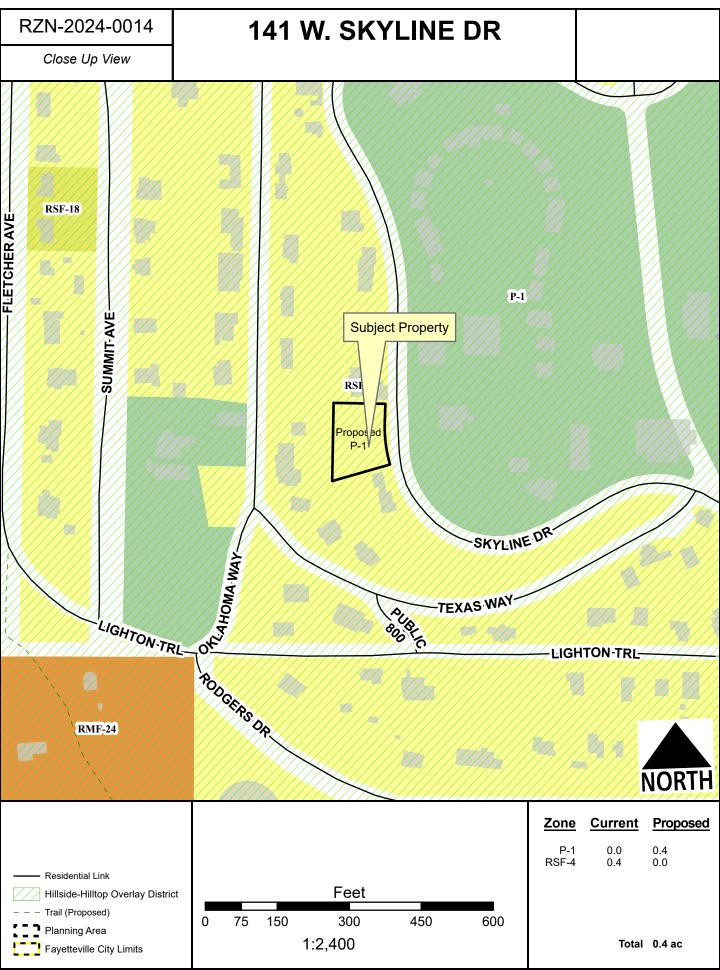
PLEASE NOTE:

- Property Owners: Attach additional info/documentation if necessary.
- Authorized Agents: If signing on behalf of a Property Owner, a letter from each Property Owner must be provided indicating that the agent is authorized to act on their behalf.

Associated Project (required field): Rezoning of Mount Sequoyah Overla	ook to P-I
ame or description of proposal	
Property Owner 1: Emily Gewtm [ame of person signing [printed]	Mount Sequoyal Center, Inc. Entity/Company signator legally owns or represents
emily gentry & mount sequoyen or a contact Email 150 N Styline Drive Fayetteville,	477-443-453 Contact Phone AP 7276
lailing Address	2/27/24
roperty Owner Signature	Date
Property Owner 2: (if needed)	
ame of person signing [printed]	Entity/Company signator legally owns or represents
Contact Email	Contact Phone
failing Address	
Property Owner Signature	Date
Property Owner 3: (if needed)	
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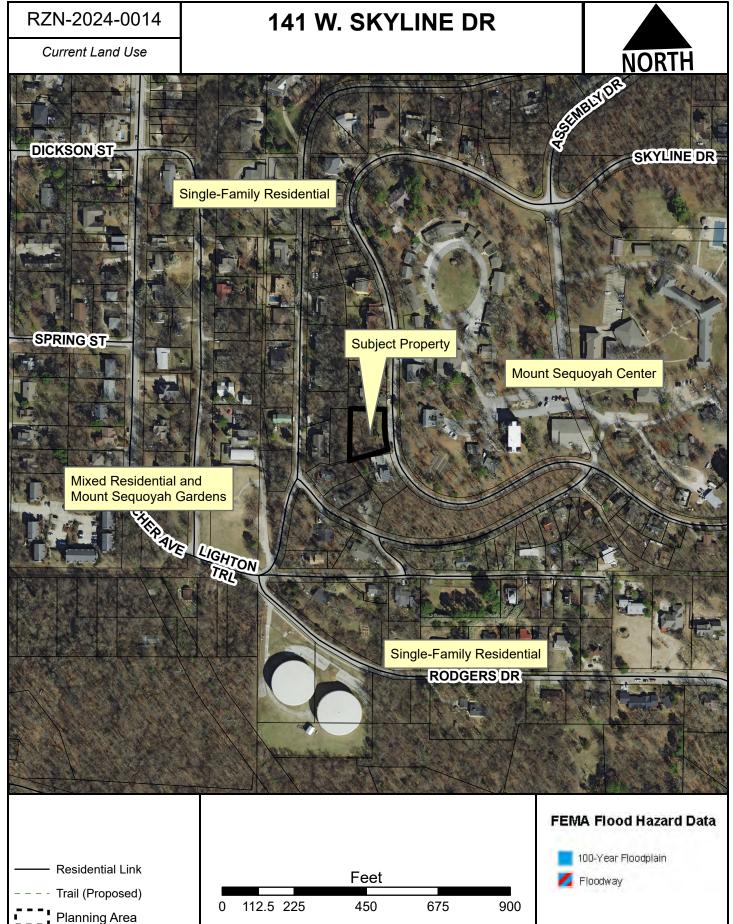
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Current Land Use

Fayetteville City Limits

141 W. SKYLINE DR





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