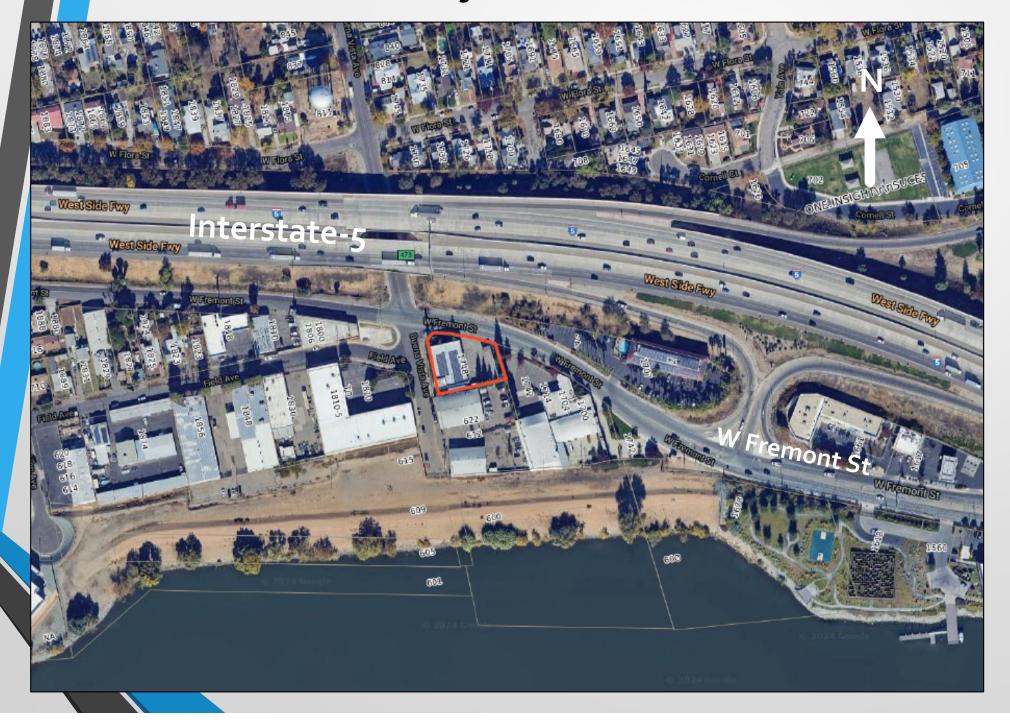
APPEAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVAL OF A COMMISSION USE PERMIT TO ESTABLISH A CANNABIS RETAIL STOREFRONT IN AN EXISTING BUILDING AT 1748 WEST FREMONT STREET (APN 135-080-01) (APPLICATION NO. P23-0049)

Agenda Item 16.2 City Council Meeting January 21, 2025

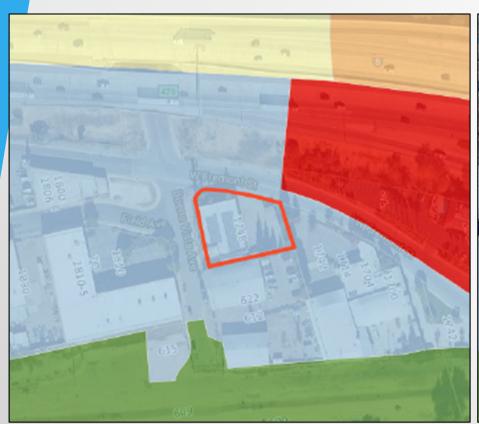
Appeal

- PC Approval September 12, 2024
- Appealed by Shania Taylor on September 23, 2024 citing:
 - Concerns of overconcentration
 - Proximity to existing cannabis businesses
 - Lack of public necessity
 - Project impact on surrounding neighborhoods and businesses

Project Site



General Plan and Zoning Maps





General Plan: Industrial (I)

Zoning:Limited Industrial (LI)



Proposed Use

- Retail Storefront Cannabis Business
- 25 Employees
- 5,925-sq. ft. existing building
 - 1,564 SF of sales floor
 - 4,358 SF of administrative, storage, etc.
- 15 Parking Spaces for guests (7 required)
- 24-hour on-site security
- Hours of Operation:

Storefront: Monday – Sunday, 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

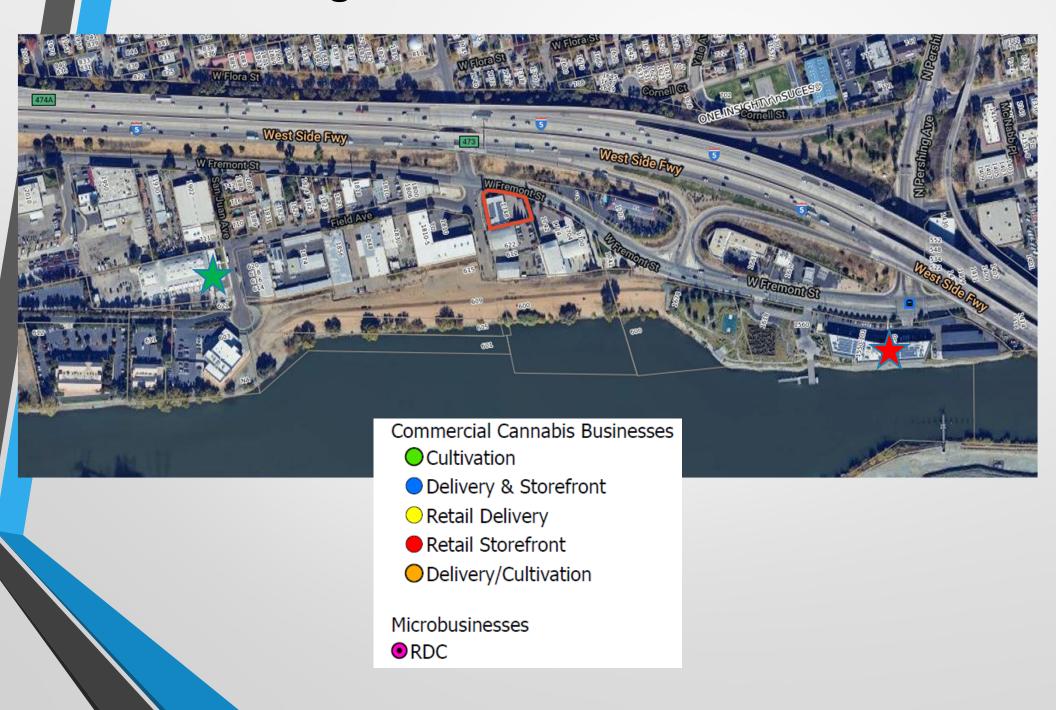
Neighborhood Context Map





300' Map 600' Map

Existing Cannabis Business Locations



Staff Analysis

- Meets all location requirements (SMC 16.80.195)
 - 300 feet of an existing residential zone or use
 - 6oo' of a school, youth facility, daycare, religious facility, etc.
 - 1,000' of an existing cannabis retailer, operator, or microbusiness
- Meets development standards for parking, site access, etc.
- All Use Permit findings made in the affirmative

Staff Analysis – Appeal Specific

- Concerns of overconcentration
 - Meets all codified requirements designed to prevent overconcentration
- Proximity to existing cannabis businesses
 - Meets all codified requirements and exceeds minimum separation distances from sensitive uses and other cannabis businesses
- Lack of public necessity
 - Meets General Plan goals to provide for orderly, well-planned, and balanced development; considered a company/industry that offers high-quality jobs with competitive wages; and expands opportunities for local enterprise, entrepreneurship, and gainful employment.
- Project impact on surrounding neighborhoods and businesses
 - Attracts employment and generates taxes to support the local economy
 - Won't endanger, jeopardize, or constitute a hazard to the public convenience, health interest, safety, or general welfare of persons residing or working in the neighborhood

Staff Recommendation

Adopt Resolution:

 Deny the appeal and affirm the Planning Commission's approval of a Commission Use Permit to allow the establishment of a proposed cannabis retail storefront business within an existing building, in accordance with the findings and subject to the conditions found in the proposed resolution.