

Staff Report Plan Commission Meeting – February 21, 2024

General Amendment – Cultural Facilities

Applicant:	Andrew Koczwara
Purpose:	Add "Cultural Facilities" as a permitted Special Use in the BL Local Business District
Application:	General Amendment
Public Hearing:	Yes
Summary of Proposal:	Proposal is to add "Cultural Facilities" as a permitted Special Use in the BL zoning district.
	A Special Use for a motorcycle museum has been filed in conjunction with this application.
Info / Procedure on Application:	 See Sec. 17.04.320 regarding General (Text) Amendments. A General Amendment (or Text Amendment) is an application requesting a change to the Zoning Ordinance, Title 17 of the City Code. A change may be requested to a numerical standard (such as a setback requirement) or to any other text of the Zoning Ordinance. Often, a General Amendment is proposed to change the standards that apply to a specific zoning district or a specific land use or business category. Changes to the text apply to all properties in the City that are located in the same zoning district or fall within the same category of land use or business. A General Amendment application may also involve changes to procedures or application requirements that are listed in the Zoning Ordinance. Public hearing is required. No mailed notice to surrounding property owners. Findings: 6 items of information to consider in making a recommendation; all items need not be in the affirmative to recommend approval.
Suggested Action:	Conduct the public hearing and close if all testimony has been taken. The item is
	listed for discussion and recommendation, should the Plan Commission feel that they have enough information to make a recommendation.
Staff Contact:	Rachel Hitzemann, Planner

I. BACKGROUND

A. Current Zoning Interpretation

Andrew Koczwara has filed this application in hopes of opening a motorcycle museum at 1317 E Main St. A motorcycle museum is classified as a "Cultural Facility" under the Zoning Code The zoning for this property is BL- Local Business District, which does not currently permit Cultural Facilities.

The property at 1317 E Main St. has been vacant for several years. Over the last 10 years the property has been for sale on and off and its most recent uses have included a doggy day care

and more recently a storage lot for McGrath Honda. Prior to the doggy daycare, the property was used for a restaurant known as the "Cork and Fork"

ANALYSIS

A. USE

"Cultural Facility" is defined in Section 17.30.020 as follows:

Facilities open to the public including, but not limited to, museums, cultural centers, and aquariums. Cultural Facility does not include Library, Place of Worship or Lodge or Private Club, as defined herein.

Currently, "Cultural Facilities" are permitted in all of the commercial zoning districts except the BL Local Business District. It is a Special Use in the CBD-2 Mixed Use Business District.

TABLE 17.14-1	BI.	BL BC		CBD-1	Downtow	CBD-2	
BL		ВС	BR	CBD-1	CBD-1	CBD-2	CBD-2
Cultural Facilities		P	P	P	P	S	S

[&]quot;Cultural Facilities" are also permitted in the OR, M-1, M-2, and PL Districts.

TABLE 17.16-1	OR	M-1	M-2	PL
Cultural Facilities	P	P	P	P

B. PROPOSAL

The applicant is proposing to list Cultural Facilities as a permitted Special Use in the BL Local Business District.

The purpose statement of the BL District is provided in Section 17.14.010 as follows:

The purpose of the BL Local Business District is to provide locations for small-scale service and retail uses that primarily serve the convenience needs of St. Charles neighborhoods. The BL District permits a mix of uses, but care must be taken to ensure that adequate access, parking and screening is provided so as not to negatively impact adjoining residential neighborhoods.

The BL District is predominately located along Main Street, between downtown and Tyler Rd. on the east side and between downtown and Randall Rd. on the west side. Most BL properties are adjacent to residential areas and are generally smaller in size than BC (Community Business) or BR (Regional Business) properties. Smaller scale commercial and office uses are permitted in the BL District, while uses that have the potential to generate increased activity and noise such as Theaters, Live Entertainment, and Gas Stations, are not permitted. The attached map shows the location of BL property. Table 17.14-1 Permitted and Special Uses in the commercial zoning districts is also attached.

The applicant has requested Cultural Facilities be permitted as a Special Use in the BL District. Staff proposes the following changes to Table 17.14-1 to accommodate the applicant's request (in *bold italics*):

TABLE 17.14-1	BL	BL BC BR CBD-1		CDD 1	Downtow	CBD-2	
	BL	ВС	DK	CDD-1	CBD-1	CBD-2	CBD-2
Cultural Facilities	S	P	P	P	P	S	S

C. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

The Comprehensive Plan designates the land use of most areas in the BL District as "Neighborhood Commercial". The plan describes the Neighborhood Commercial land use as follows (p.39):

Areas designated as neighborhood commercial are intended toward smaller-scale retail and service commercial areas geared toward providing for the daily shopping, service, and convenience needs of surrounding neighborhoods. Uses in the neighborhood commercial areas should be of a scale and intensity to be considered generally compatible with adjacent and nearby residential uses.

The Commercial Area Policies include the following (p.48):

Promote a mix of attractive commercial uses along the Main Street Corridor that provide a range of goods and services to the St. Charles community.

A wide range of commercial uses exist along the Main Street corridor, providing a variety of goods and services to residents. As a primary east-west route through the City, Main Street contributes to the overall character, image, and appearance of St. Charles. In general, some commercial areas are newer, well maintained, well occupied, provide a desirable mix of uses, and are generally considered attractive. Others however, are older/dated, suffer from deferred maintenance and obsolescence, and suffer from a less desirable mix of uses and higher vacancy rates. The City should continue to promote reinvestment along this key commercial corridor and maintain Main Street as a unique commercial corridor that can accommodate a wide array of business types to cater to the diverse needs of the St. Charles community.

IV. SUGGESTED ACTION

Conduct the public hearing and close if all the testimony has been taken.

Staff has placed this item on the meeting portion of the agenda for a recommendation, should the Plan Commission feel they have adequate information to recommend on the item tonight.

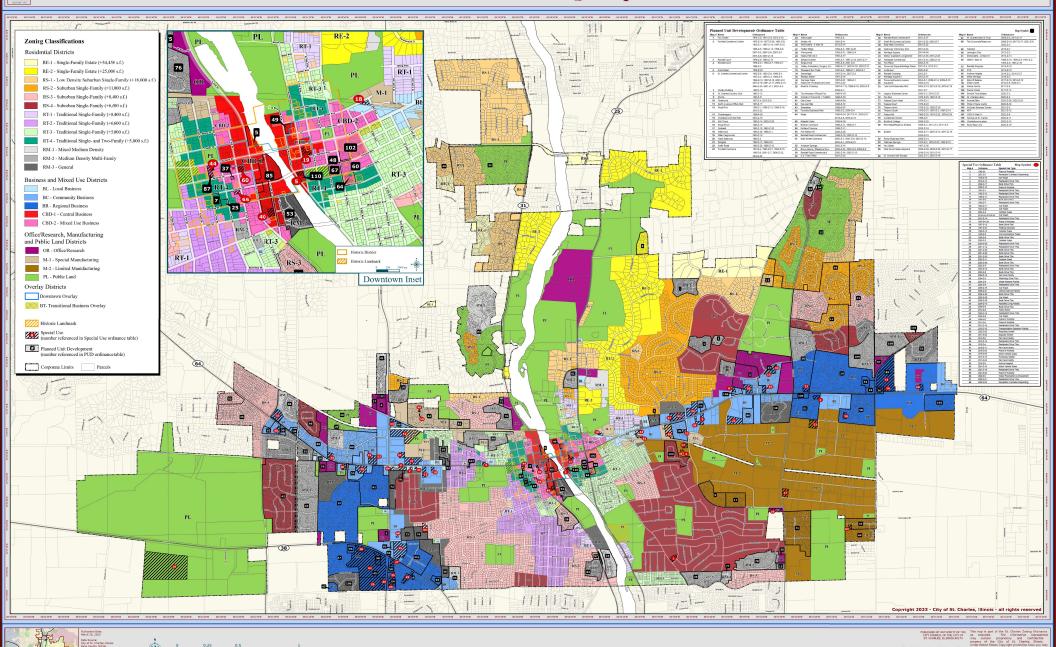
V. ATTACHMENTS

- Zoning Map
- Table 17.14-1
- Application, received 1/22/24



Official Zoning Map

Two East Main Street St. Charles, IL 60174-1984 Phone: 680-377-4400 Fax: 630-377-4440 - www.stcharlesil.gov



PERMITTED AND SPECIAL USES	A Marie Control								
	ZONIN	G DISTRI	CT						
P=Permitted Use					DOWN				
S=Special Use					OVERLAY			SPECIFIC USE STANDARDS	
A=Permitted Accessory Use	BL	BC	BR	CBD-1	FIRST FLOOR		CBD-2	OF EOIL TO USE STANDARDS	
SA=Special Use, Accessory Only					CBD1	CBD2	1		
RESIDENTIAL USES									
Artist Live/Work Space				Р			Р	Section 17.20.030	
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Dwelling, Upper Level	Р		E TENE	Р			Р		
Dwelling Unit, Auxiliary	11 45 16 16					A STORY	Р	Section 17.20.030	
Dwelling, Multi-Family	2317.50			Р			Р		
Dwelling, Townhouse		1				120	Р		
Dwelling, Two-Family	511-2018		1132			Maria Spain	Р		
Dwelling, Single-Family	Р				BAYBYAN	174743	Р		
Group Home, Large	all appear				FIF TH		Р	Section 17.20.030	
Group Home, Small		3	12/10/1- 1		T. Jan Jan		Р	Section 17.20.030	
Independent Living Facility							Р		
CULTURAL, RELIGIOUS, RECREAT	TONAL AN	ID ENTE	RTAINMEN	TUSES					
Art Gallery/Studio	Р	IP	P	P	P	P	Р		
Carnival (as temporary use)		Р	Р	Р				Section 17.20.040, 050	
Cultural Facility		Р	Р	Р	Р	S	S		
Indoor Recreation and Amusement	Market St.			_	-				
(Including Health/Fitness Club)		P	P	P	Р	S	S		
Health/Fitness Club	Р		RISE SE						
Live Entertainment	a Halling	P	Р	Р	Р				
Lodge or Private Club	Р	Р	Р	Р					
Outdoor Amusement			Ś						
Outdoor Recreation		Р	P						
Park, Neighborhood	Р		ALC: N	Р	Р	Р	Р		
Place of Worship	P	Р	Р	Р			Р		
Public Plaza	Α	Α	Α	Р	Р	Р	Р		
Temporary Outdoor Entertainment	Α	Α	Α	Р	Р			Section 17.20.030	
Theater	-10.4	Р	Р	Р	Р	P			
GOVERNMENTAL AND INSTITUTIO	NAL USE	S							
College/University	4477	Р	P	S					
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Post Office	104118	P	Р	Р	CLUE L	i edile	Р		
Public Service Facility	TO BE	P	Р	S	2 100				
School, Specialized Instructional	Р	P	Р	P			Р		
School, Primary or Secondary			112024			10000	P		
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Establishment	P*	P	Р	P	Р	P*	P*	*Section 17.20.30	
Bank	Р	P	Р	P	P*	P*	P	Section 17.20.030 *Section 17.14.020	
Bed and Breakfast				P	100		Р	Section 17.20.030	
Car Wash		S	P	<u> </u>				Section 17.24.100	
Currency Exchange	45.51	P	P	S					
Day Care Center	Р	P	P	S			P	 	

PERMITTED AND SPECIAL USES									
	ZONIN	IG DISTRI	CT						
P=Permitted Use S=Special Use A=Permitted Accessory Use	BL	ВС	BR	CBD-1	DOWNTOWN OVERLAY FIRST FLOOR		CBD-2	SPECIFIC USE STANDARD	
SA=Special Use, Accessory Only					CBD1	CBD2			
Drive-Through Facility	S	S	S	S			SA	Section 17.24.100	
Financial Institution	P	P	P	P	P*	P*	Р	*Section 17.14.020	
Gas Station		P	P			- Town (1)		Section 17.20.030	
Heavy Retail and Service		P	S			4 4 1 1 3			
Home Improvement Center		P	P			LE NOTE:			
Hotel/Motel	See Fil	P	Р	Р	Р				
Medical/Dental Clinic	Р	Р	Р	P	P*	P*	Р	*Section 17.14.020	
Motor Vehicle Rental	P	P	Р				Р		
Motor Vehicle Service and Repair, Minor	Р	Р	Р					Section 17.20.030	
Motor Vehicle Sales and Leasing	5-23	P	Р					Section 17.20.030	
Office, Business and Professional	Р	P	P	P	P*	P*	P	*Section 17.14.020	
Outdoor Sales, Permanent	SA	SA	SA	S	S			Section 17.14.020	
	A	A	A	A	A		A	Section 17.20.030	
Outdoor Sales, Temporary	A	A	S	A	A		A	Section 17.20.040, 030	
Pawn Shop	D	10			Р	P	P		
Personal Services	P S	P	P	Р	P	P	P		
Pet Care Facility	_	P	P	P	P	Α.	A		
Coffee or Tea Room	Α	P	P	P	P	Α	A		
Recreational Cannabis Dispensing Organization		S	S					Section 17.20.030	
Restaurant	S	P	P	P	P				
Retail Sales	Р	P	P	P	Р	P	Р		
Tattoo Parlor			S			1275,70			
Tavern/Bar	S	P	P	P	Р				
Theater		P	P	P	Р				
Veterinary Office/Animal Hospital		Р	P		Part Villa				
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Temporary Motor Vehicle Storage		P	P		1515			Section 17.20.030	
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Accessory Uses	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Chapter 17.20, 17.22	
Parking Garage/Structure	25545	iii .	Α	S	S	S	SA	Chapter 17.24	
Parking Lot, Private	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α	Chapter 17.24	
Parking Lot, Public		9		Р	Р	Р	P	Chapter 17.24	
Planned Unit Development	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	Chapter 17.04	
Transportation Operations Facility		S	Р	S					
Communication Tower*		S	S					Section 17.22.020	
Communication Antenna	Р	Р	Р	Р			P	Section 17.22.020	
Utility, Community/Regional	Mach.	S	S	30		1 Februari	S		
Utility, Local	Р	Р	Р	P	Р	P	Р		
Wind Turbine, Structure Mounted	Α	Α	Α				3	Section 17.22.020.G	
Wind Turbine, Tower Mounted	W. Y.	S	S	713	从清料			Section 17.22.020.H	

^{*} Communication Towers that are Wireless Support Structures supporting Small Wireless Facilities, as defined in Chapter 13. 24 " Small Cell Wireless Facilities", are permitted uses in any Right- of-Way within the City, and, in conformance with State law, are permitted uses in the BL, BC and BR Zoning Districts when all other applicable zoning requirements and the requirements of Chapter 13. 24 are met.

(Ord. 2021-Z-16 § 2; Ord. 2020-Z-16 § 2; Ord. 2019-Z-19 § 2; Ord. 2018-Z-22 § 2; Ord. 2018-Z-20 § 2; Ord. 2016-Z-5 § 2; Ord. 2014-Z-5§ 2; Ord. 2013-Z-20 § 3; Ord. 2011-Z-11 § 2; Ord. 2008-Z-24 § 4, 5; Ord. 2008-Z-3 § 2; Ord. 2003-Z-13 § 4, 6, 7; Ord. 2001-Z-42 § 1; Ord. 2001-Z-40 § 1; Ord. 2001-Z-11 § 2, 3; Ord. 1999-Z-20 § 1; Ord. 1998-Z-19 § 1; Ord. 1996-Z-12 § 11-13; Ord. 1995-Z-5 § 1; Ord. 1993-Z-19 § 4; Ord. 1993-Z-4 § 1 (B, D); Ord. 1990-Z-7 § 1; Ord. 1989-Z-6 § 1; Ord. 1986-Z-11 § XI; Ord. 1986-Z-4; Ord. 1985-Z-2 § 1; Ord. 1984-Z-6 § 2; Ord. 1984-Z-4 § 1; Ord. 1984-Z-3 § 1; Ord. 1983-Z-9 § 1; Ord. 1982-Z-3 § 1; Ord. 1982-Z-3 § 1; Ord. 1981-Z-7 § 2; Ord. 1981-Z-3 § 1; Ord. 1980-Z-13 § 1; Ord. 1980-Z-3 § 1; Ord. 1978-Z-3; Ord. 1976-Z-15 § 2; Ord. 1975-Z-8 § 1; Ord. 1973-Z-1 § 1; Ord. 1972-Z-56 § 1, 2; Ord. 1972-Z-46 (A, B, C (part)); Ord. 1968-31 (part); Ord.

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Community Development Division
2 E. Main Street
St. Charles, IL 60174



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GENERAL AMENDMENT APPLICATION



- File this application to request an amendment to the text of the St. Charles Zoning Ordinance (City Code Title 17).
- Complete the application and submit with all required attachments to the Community Development Division.
- The information you provide must be complete and accurate. If you have any questions please contact the Community Development Division.
- City staff will review the submittal for completeness and for compliance with applicable requirements prior to establishing a public hearing date.

1. Applicant Information:	Name: ANDRZED KOCZUARA	Phone: 847-630-2587
	SAINT CHARLES IL 60174	Email: andy @american huy.com

2. Information Regarding General Amendment: What is the amendment regarding? MOTORCYCLE MUSEUM LART GALLERY What Code sections are proposed for amendment? Chapter(s): Section(s): Wording of the proposed Amendment: Insert below or attached on a separate page a special use cultural facilities as To allow 3. Required Attachments: If multiple zoning or subdivision applications will be submitted concurrently, do not submit duplicate checklist items or plans. Fee must be paid for each application. Provide 1 copy of each required item, unless otherwise noted. **APPLICATION FEE: \$500** REIMBURSEMENT OF FEES AGREEMENT: An original, executed Reimbursement of Fees Agreement and deposit of funds in escrow with the City, as provided by Appendix B of the Zoning Ordinance. REIMBURSEMENT OF FEES INITIAL DEPOSIT: Deposit of funds in escrow with the City. Required deposit for a General Amendment application only: \$1,000. FINDINGS OF FACT: Fill out the attached form based on the proposed General Amendment.

I (we) certify that this application and the documents submitted with it are true and correct to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief.

FINDINGS OF FACT - GENERAL AMENDMENT

The St. Charles Zoning Ordinance requires the Plan Commission to consider factors listed below in making a recommendation to the City Council.

As an applicant, the "burden of proof" is on you to show why the proposed amendment is appropriate. Therefore, you need to "make your case" by explaining how the following factors support your proposal. If a factor does not apply to the amendment in question, indicate "not applicable" and explain why it does not apply.

Amendment Description/Ordinance Section Number:

From the St. Charles Zoning Ordinance, Section 17.04.320.C:

In making its recommendation to grant or deny an application for a Zoning Text Amendment, the Plan Commission shall consider:

1. The consistency of the proposed amendment with the City's Comprehensive Plan.

Future motorcycle museum and aut galley. Bringing a interest to a tourisim and visitors for the City. Point of intest to general public.

2. The consistency of the proposed amendment with the intent and general regulations of this Title.

The use is allowed in other Commercial districts

3. Whether the proposed amendment corrects an error or omission, adds clarification to existing requirements, is more workable than the existing text, or reflects a change in policy.

Change in policy to allow cultural facility as a special USE

4. The extent to which the proposed amendment would be in the public interest and would not serve solely the interest of the applicant.

In State of Minois currently redont have motocycle museum of this size. Display of 100 old motocycycles always brings intrest of public. Education for yang generation. I keep my colection priet for 30 years and its time to shere my passion vitor others.

5. The extent to which the proposed amendment creates nonconformities.

Existing building

6. The implications of the proposed amendment on all similarly zoned property in the City.

Vould allow other BL Zoned properties to request a Speak Use for cultural facility

Plan Commission recommendation shall be based upon the preponderance of the evidence presented and the Commission shall not be required to find each Finding of Fact in the affirmative to recommend approval of an application for General Amendment.