

ITEM NO. 5 RSO & CS TO CO; 6.87 ACRES; 2000 BLUFFS DR (MJL)

Z-12-00021: Consider a request to rezone approximately 6.87 acres from RSO (Single-Dwelling Residential-Office) District and CS (Commercial Strip) District to the CO (Office Commercial) District, located at 2000 Bluffs Drive. DST Realty of Lawrence Inc, property owner of record. *Initiated by City Commission on 6/12/12.*

STAFF PRESENTATION

Ms. Michelle Leininger presented the item.

APPLICANT PRESENTATION

Mr. Chris Lemke, DST Realty, said there were no plans to change the current call center operations.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Bryan Engel, attorney representing the proposed purchaser of the property, said the reason for the rezoning request was that if there was damage to the building, such as a fire, they would not be allowed to rebuild without going through the rezoning or variance process.

COMMISSION DISCUSSION

Commissioner Hird asked if there were any plans to develop the piece of property south of the access road.

Mr. Lemke said there were no plans to change any of the buildings or to develop anything out.

Ms. Leininger said if there were any changes to the site it would go through the site planning stage which would be administratively approved.

ACTION TAKEN

Motioned by Commissioner von Achen, seconded by Commissioner Culver, to approve the request to rezone, Z-12-00021, approximately 6.87 acres, from RSO (Single-Dwelling Residential Office) District and CS (Commercial Strip) District to CO (Commercial Office) District, based on the findings presented in the staff report and forwarding it to the City Commission with a recommendation for approval.

Unanimously approved 8-0.