



SECTION 10. STANDARDS FOR ZONING ORDINANCE OR MAP AMENDMENT

In order to promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of the City of Pooler against the unrestricted use of property, the following standards and any other factors relevant to balancing the above stated public interest will be considered, when deemed appropriate, by the aldermanic board in making any zoning decision:

1. Is this request a logical extension of a zoning boundary which would improve the pattern of uses in the general area?
2. Is this spot zoning and generally unrelated to either existing zoning or the pattern of development of the area?
3. Could traffic created by the proposed use or other uses permissible under the zoning sought traverse established single-family neighborhoods on minor streets, leading to congestion, noise and traffic hazards?
4. Will this request place irreversible limitations on the area as it is or on future plans for it?
5. Is there an imminent need for the rezoning and is the property likely to be used for the use requested?
6. Will the proposed use substantially conflict with existing density patterns in the zone or neighborhood?
7. Would the proposed use precipitate similar requests which would generate or accelerate adverse land use changes in the zone or neighborhood?
8. Will the action adversely impact adjacent or nearby properties in terms of:
 1. Environmental quality or livability resulting from the introduction of uses or activities which would create traffic, noise, odor or visual hazards or the reduction of light and air that is incompatible with the established development pattern.
 2. Property values, by rendering such properties less suitable and therefore less marketable for the type of development to which they are committed or restricted in order to promote the public welfare and protect the established development pattern.
 3. Will the action create development opportunities of such increased intensity that storm water runoff from the site cannot be controlled within previous limits, with [which] results in adverse impacts upon existing down-stream drainage problems or potential problems?
 9. Will the action result in public service requirements such as provision of utilities or safety services which because of the location or scale of the development, cannot be provided on an economic basis and therefore would create an actual burden to the public?