

# City of New Braunfels, Texas

# **Legislation Text**

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#### PRESENTER:

Christopher J. Looney, AICP Planning and Development Services Director

## **SUBJECT:**

Approval of the second and final reading of an ordinance to zone approximately 59 acres out of the Francisco Rodriguez Survey 99, Abstract 484, to M-1A (Light Industrial District), currently addressed as 5467 FM 482.

**DEPARTMENT:** Planning and Development Services

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: N/A** 

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Case No: PZ24-0003

Applicant: HMT Engineering

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Owner: New Braunfels Utilities

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# The City Council held a public hearing on March 25, 2024, and unanimously approved the first reading of the applicant's requested zoning ordinance (7-0-0).

The subject property comprises 58.515 acres on the southeast side of FM 482, approximately 130 feet southwest of Solms Park, and shares a property line with the Magnolia Springs neighborhood to the southwest. It is linked to PZ24-0002 and has the same address, owner, and applicant. However, PZ24-0003 is presently situated outside the city limits (ETJ) and is currently pending voluntary annexation. As a result, these cases are being treated separately.

Surrounding Zoning and Land Use:

North	Across FM 482: ETJ	Outside City Limits, Vacant Land
		Vacant Land, Snake Farm
East	Magnolia Springs PDD	Residential Neighborhood
West	ЕТЈ	Outside City Limits, Vacant Land

#### **ISSUE:**

The applicant's proposed M-1A zoning district would allow for the intended development of the subject property with a new headquarters facility for New Braunfels Utilities (NBU). The zoning request, contingent upon annexation, seeks M-1A (Light Industrial District) to allow for an office building, maintenance building,

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materials yard, and training area among other facility features.

This consideration emphasizes coordinating the zoning with annexation for a straightforward development plan. M-1A would be consistent with the following actions from Envision New Braunfels:

- Action 1.3: Encourage balanced and fiscally responsible land use patterns.
- Action 1.8: Concentrate future investment in industrial and employment centers near existing and emerging hubs, such as the airport; and along existing high-capacity transportation networks, such as Interstate Highway 35.
- Action 3.1: Plan for healthy jobs/housing balance.

**Future Land Use Plan**: The subject property is located within the Oak Creek Sub Area, along a Transitional Mixed Used Corridor, near existing Tourist, Civic, Education, and Employment Centers, and near proposed Market, Civic, and Employment Centers.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

N/A

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

The proposed M-1A zoning, suited for light industrial activities, aligns with the property's location along the Transitional Mixed-Use Corridor. The surrounding zoning, including Magnolia Springs PDD, C-1B, and proposed M-1A, supports a balanced development. The property's proximity to existing and proposed centers further supports the zoning request. In summary, M-1A would match the property and surrounding context.

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on February 6, 2024, and unanimously recommended approval (7-0-0)

*Mailed notification as required by state statute:* 

Public hearing notices were sent to owners of 42 properties within the city limits and 5 properties outside of the city limits, that are within 200 feet of the request. As of the agenda posting date, the city has received responses representing 2% in opposition.

### Resource Links:

- Chapter 144, Sec. 2.1-4 (Zoning upon annexation) of the City's Code of Ordinances: <a href="https://library.municode.com/tx/new-braunfels/codes/code">https://library.municode.com/tx/new-braunfels/codes/code</a> of ordinances?
- Chapter 144, Sec. 3.4-18 (M-1A) of the City's Code of Ordinances: <a href="https://library.municode.com/tx/new\_braunfels/codes/code\_of\_ordinances">https://library.municode.com/tx/new\_braunfels/codes/code\_of\_ordinances</a>?