



AGENDA ITEM 5 ■ 54-56 SUTTON STREET





View of the building

Aerial view of lot to be rezoned

OVERVIEW

OWNER/APPLICANT: Sutton Place, Petitioner **PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The applicant is petitioning to rezone the subject

lot at 54-56 Sutton Street (AP 28 Lot 223) from R-3 to C-2 with uses limited to two and three family,

and multifamily dwellings.

CASE NO./ CPC Referral 3504 PROJECT TYPE:

Rezoning from R-3 to C-2

PROJECT LOCATION: 54-56 Sutton Street RECOMMENDATION: Recommend approval of proposed zone change

AP 28 Lot 223

R-3 zone

NEIGHBORHOOD: Federal Hill **PROJECT PLANNER:** Choyon Manjrekar

Discussion

The applicant is proposing to rezone 54-56 Sutton Street from R-3 to C-2 with uses limited to two family, three family and multifamily housing. The subject property is a mixed use building with three commercial units and three residential units. The zone change is requested so that the owner may renovate the building for seven apartments.

The lot is zoned R-3 but is adjacent to the C-2 zone to the north. The neighborhood's character is composed of a mix of uses including commercial uses on the Atwells Ave commercial corridor to the north and residential uses including multifamily housing to the south. As the C-2 zone and Atwells Ave are in proximity, rezoning to C-2 for housing is not expected to have a negative effect on neighborhood character or surrounding property. The proposed multifamily use would be no more intense than the current legal use.

Per the Future Land Use Map of Providence Tomorrow—which the comprehensive plan states is not intended for parcel level analysis—this area is intended to be one where neighborhood commercial and medium density residential uses are located in proximity. The plan encourages high density residential development around areas of change like Atwells Ave. The property is located in an area where neighborhood commercial development—which includes high density residential development—is intended alongside medium density residential development. The rezoning would be in conformance with objective H-2 of the comprehensive plan which encourages development of housing.

Based on the foregoing discussion, rezoning the lot would be appropriate given the character of the surroundings, the current zoning and the proposed use. The rezoning is appropriate as the building's massing supports more dwelling units than what is permitted in the R-3 zone. Development of incompatible commercial uses would be prevented as uses will be limited to housing. It is the DPD's opinion that the rezoning is not expected to negatively affect health, safety and welfare and is consistent with the purposes of zoning in Section 101 of the Zoning Ordinance.

Recommendation

Based on the foregoing discussion, the DPD recommends that the CPC should recommend that the City Council approve the proposed zone change to C-2 with uses limited to two family, three family and multifamily dwellings.

City of Providence

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PETITION TO THE CITY COUNCIL

TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE:

The undersigned respectfully petitions your honorable body

I, <u>Sutton Place</u>, by and through <u>Natalia Pezzuco and Nicholas Cardello</u>, "<u>Petitioner</u>" and their <u>Counsel</u>, <u>Dylan Conley</u>, hereby petition the City Council to change the Official Zoning Map of the City of Providence by changing the zoning district designation for the property located at:

[<u>54-56 Sutton Street</u>, <u>02903</u> Assessor's Plat 28 Lot 223],

and shown on the accompanying map¹ <u>Attached hereto as Exhibit 1</u>, from [<u>R-3</u>] to [<u>C-2* where the use on the lot shall be restricted to either two-family, three-family, or multi-family dwellings</u>].

Further attached hereto is **Exhibit 2:** are two (2) sets of mailing labels with the names and addresses of all property owners within two hundred feet (200') of the property.

Sutton Place, via Natalia Pezzuco and Nicholas Cardello

Signature:

/s/ Dylan Conley

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Dylan Conley, Esq. #8969

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¹ The Map includes:

a) Existing and proposed boundaries

b) Zoning district boundaries

c) Existing streets, roads, and their names

d) City and Town Boundaries





