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TO: El Paso County Planning Commission
Brian Risley, Chair

FROM: Kylie Bagley, Planner II
Lupe Packman, IE Engineer I
Kevin Mastin, Interim Executive Director

RE: Project File #: CS-21-002
Project Name: Fuel Station Rezone
Parcel No.: 34120-00-015

OWNER:	REPRESENTATIVE:
Pushpinder Brar KB Fuel LLC, 1901 N Academy Blvd Colorado Springs, CO 80909	Baseline Engineering Corporation Alyssa Rivas 112 N Rubey Dr, Suite 210 Golden, CO 80403

Commissioner District: 4

Planning Commission Hearing Date:	11/17/2022
Board of County Commissioners Hearing Date:	12/6/2022

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A request by Baseline Engineering Corporation for approval of a map amendment (rezoning) from A-35 (Agricultural) to CS (Commercial Service). The 4.5 acres property is located 0.05 miles west of the intersection of North Ellicott Hwy and State Highway 94 and within Section 12, Township 14 South, Range 63 West of the 6th P.M. (Parcel No.34120-00-015)

A. REQUEST/WAIVERS/DEVIATIONS/ AUTHORIZATION

Request: A request by Baseline Engineering Corporation for approval of a map amendment (rezoning) 4.5 acres from A-35 (Agricultural) to CS (Commercial Service).

Waiver(s)/Deviation(s): No waivers are being requested with this request.

Authorization to Sign: There are no documents associated with this application that require signing.

B. Planning Commission Summary

Request Heard:

Recommendation:

Waiver Recommendation:

Vote:

Vote Rationale:

Summary of Hearing:

Legal Notice:

C. APPROVAL CRITERIA

In approving a map amendment (rezoning), the Planning Commission and the Board of County Commissioners shall find that the request meets the criteria for approval outlined in Section 5.3.5 (Map Amendment, Rezoning) of the El Paso County Land Development Code (2022):

1. The application is in general conformance with the El Paso County Master Plan including applicable Small Area Plans or there has been a substantial change in the character of the neighborhood since the land was last zoned;
2. The rezoning is in compliance with all applicable statutory provisions including, but not limited to C.R.S §30-28-111 §30-28-113, and §30-28-116;
3. The proposed land use or zone district is compatible with the existing and permitted land uses and zone districts in all directions; and
4. The site is suitable for the intended use, including the ability to meet the standards as described in Chapter 5 of the Land Development Code, for the intended zone district.

D. LOCATION

North:	A-35 (Agricultural)	Agricultural
South:	A-35 (Agricultural)	Commercial
East:	A-35 (Agricultural)	Residential and Commercial
West:	CS (Commercial Service)	Commercial

E. BACKGROUND

The subject property consists of one (1) unplatted lot that contains 4.5 acres. The parcel was created in 1936 and is considered exempt from the subdivision regulations and is therefore considered a legal division of land.

If the request for a map amendment (rezone) is approved, the applicants intend submit a site development plan to expand the existing convenience store and gas station.

F. ANALYSIS

1. Land Development Code Analysis

The applicant is requesting to rezone 4.5 acres to the CS (Commercial Service) zoning district. The CS (Commercial Service) zoning district is intended to accommodate retail, wholesale or service commercial uses that serve the general public.

2. Zoning Compliance

The density and dimensional standards for the CS (Commercial Service) zoning district are as follows:

- Minimum lot size: 2 acres
- Minimum Lot Size: 1 acre ¹¹
- Minimum setback requirement: front 25 feet ^{1,3,11}, rear 25 feet ^{1,2,3,11}, side 25 feet ^{1,2,3,11}
- Maximum lot coverage: None
- Maximum height: 45 feet

¹ Gasoline pumps and canopies shall be at least 15 feet from the front property line or public right-of-way, except where the landscaping regulations require a greater setback.

² The minimum setback is 25 feet from the perimeter boundary of the district, but no minimum setback is required from any internal side or rear lot line within the same district.

³ Temporary uses shall be setback at least 25 feet from all property lines and 100 feet from Residential zoning districts.

¹¹ If the building is established as or converted to condominium units in accordance with Chapter 7 of this Code, the building and lot shall meet the minimum lot area and setbacks, but the individual units are not required to meet the minimum lot area, maximum lot coverage, or setback requirements.

In order to expand any commercial uses on the property, the applicant will need to obtain site plan approval.

G. MASTER PLAN ANALYSIS

1. Your El Paso Master Plan

a. Placetype: Rural Center

Placetype Character:

Rural Centers often act as the heart of rural areas, providing a mix of uses to support rural residents (including those living in surrounding Rural and Large-Lot

Residential placetypes) such as grocery and convenience stores, restaurants, commercial services, schools, places of worship, and post offices. Rural Centers are organized in compact blocks with a mix of residential and nonresidential development that form a recognizable district or destination within the large rural expanses of El Paso County.

As a gathering place and town center for rural areas, development within the Rural Center placetype should be located along a community's main street or near the intersection of an area's most-frequented roadways. The Rural Center placetype is primarily auto-oriented but may include pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure to provide for a walkable environment. Examples of existing Rural Centers include Peyton, Calhan, and Ellicott.

Recommended Land Uses:

Primary

- Restaurant
- Commercial Retail
- Commercial Service
- Institutional
- Single-family Detached Residential

Supporting

- Single-family Attached Residential
- Multifamily Residential

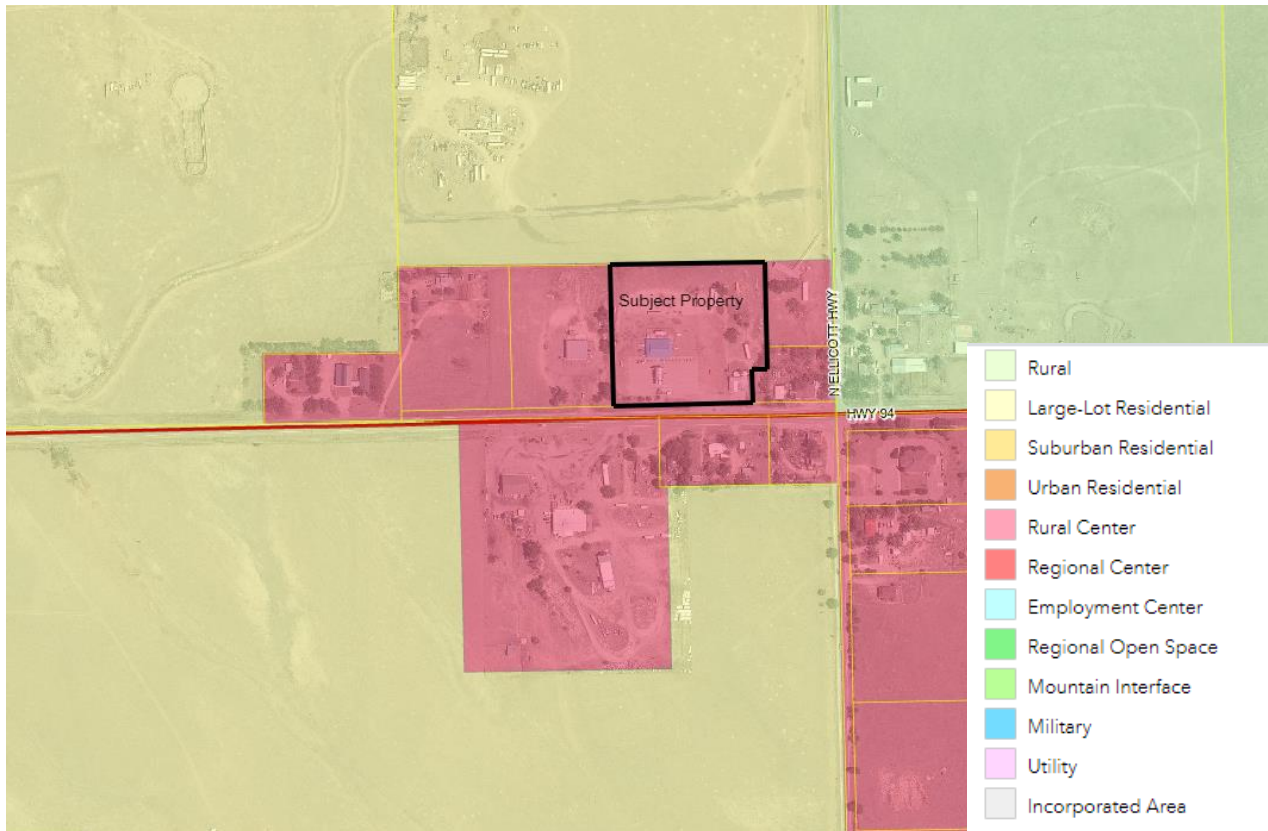


Figure G.1: Placetype Map

Analysis:

The Rural Centers placetype provides rural residents vital access to goods, services, and public facilities and serve as the cultural anchor for the community. Relevant goals and objectives are as follows:

Goal ED3 – Encourage the development of commercial districts in underserved areas.

Objective ED3-5 – Prioritize commercial development within or near rural communities and within the Rural Center placetype to limit barriers to shopping districts and employment centers.

The proposed rezone would reallocate approximately 4.5 acres of existing commercial land from the A-35 zoning district to the CS zoning district, which would support the commercial service within the Rural Center placetype. The rezone would allow the existing gas station and convenience store to expand to help serve the surrounding community.

b. Area of Change Designation: New Development

These areas will be significantly transformed as new development takes place on lands currently largely designated as undeveloped or agricultural areas. Undeveloped portions of the County that are adjacent to a built out area will be developed to match the character of that adjacent development or to a different supporting or otherwise complementary one such as an employment hub or business park adjacent to an urban neighborhood.

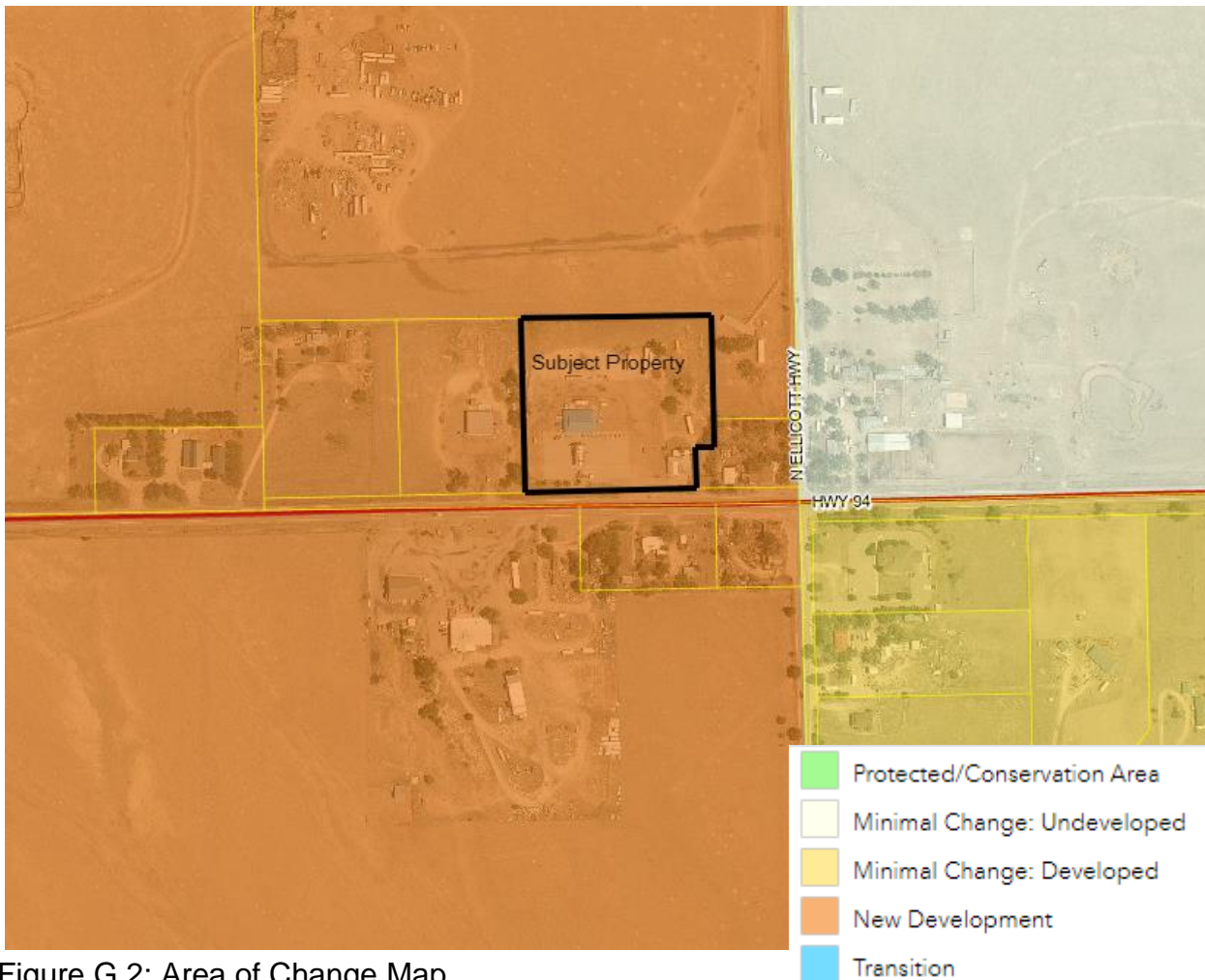


Figure G.2: Area of Change Map

Analysis:

The proposed rezone will allow the existing commercial business to expand and serve the surrounding residents.

c. Key Area Influences: Small Towns and Rural Communities

This Key Area includes both incorporated and unincorporated communities in El Paso County. Incorporated towns including Calhan, Green Mountain Falls, Palmer

Lake, and Ramah have their own established identities that support neighboring rural residents. Similarly, unincorporated rural communities have commercial uses and community facilities that serve surrounding residents and create a sense of community even without a formalized municipal governmental boundary. The unincorporated areas that comprise this Key Area are Black Forest, Ellicott, Hanover, Peyton, Rush, Truckton, and Yoder. Regardless of municipal status, all of these places function as a community that supports the needs of a significant portion of the County’s rural population. To better serve this population, additional commercial development should be prioritized in the unincorporated places, or where appropriate, additional commercial development should be annexed by the municipalities. Additional commercial uses within these communities improves access to necessary goods and services such as grocery stores and gas stations.

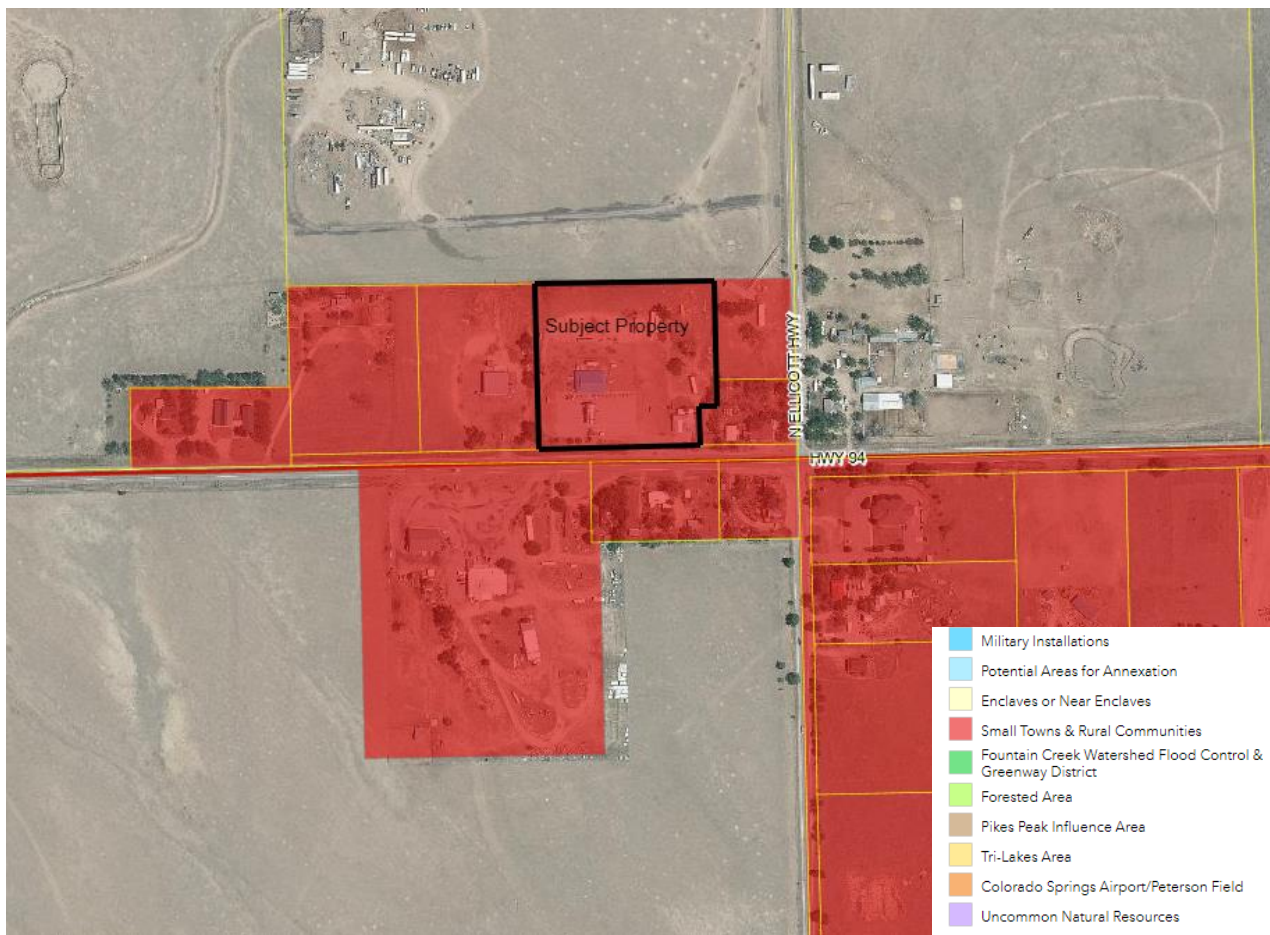


Figure G.3: Key Area Map

d. Other Implications (Priority Development, Housing, etc.)

The subject property is located within a Priority Development Area and a Commercial Development Area.

3. Water Master Plan Analysis

The El Paso County Water Master Plan (2018) has three main purposes; better understand present conditions of water supply and demand; identify efficiencies that can be achieved; and encourage best practices for water demand management through the comprehensive planning and development review processes. Relevant policies are as follows:

Goal 1.1 – *Ensure an adequate water supply in terms of quantity, dependability and quality for existing and future development.*

Policy 1.1.1 – *Adequate water is a critical factor in facilitating future growth and it is incumbent upon the County to coordinate land use planning with water demand, efficiency and conservation.*

Goal 1.2 – *Integrate water and land use planning.*

The property is located within Region 4c of the El Paso County Water Master Plan. The Plan identifies the current demands for Region 4c to be 2,970 acre-feet per year (AFY) (Figure 5.1) with a current supply of 2,970 AFY (Figure 5.2). The projected demand in 2040 is at 3,967 AFY (Figure 5.1) with a projected supply in 2040 of 3,027 AFY (Figure 5.2). The projected demand at build-out in 2060 is at 4,826 AFY (Figure 5.1) with a projected supply in 2060 of 3,027 AFY (Figure 5.2). This means that by 2060 a deficit of 1,800 AFY is anticipated for Region 4c.

A finding of water sufficiency is not required with a map amendment (rezone) but will be required with any future subdivision request. A finding of water sufficiency is required with subsequent plat application(s). The area subject to the proposed map amendment (rezone) is proposed to be served by on-site wells. Should the request be approved, a site plan application will be required to initiate any expansion of the commercial use on the property.

4. Other Master Plan Elements

The El Paso County Wildlife Habitat Descriptors (1996) identifies the parcels as having a low wildlife impact potential. Colorado Parks and Wildlife and El Paso County Environmental Services were each sent a referral and have no outstanding comments.

The Master Plan for Mineral Extraction (1996) identifies Upland Deposits in the area of the subject parcels. A mineral rights certification was prepared by the applicant indicating that, upon researching the records of El Paso County, no severed mineral rights exist.

H. PHYSICAL SITE CHARACTERISTICS

1. Hazards

No hazards have been identified as part of this application.

2. Floodplain

FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) panel number 08041C0809G which has an effective date of December 7, 2018, indicates the subject property is located within Zone X, area of minimal flood hazard outside of the 100 to 500-year floodplain

3. Drainage and Erosion

The area of the proposed map amendment (rezoning) is located within the Ellicott Drainage Basin. This drainage basin is not included in the El Paso County drainage basin fee program. Drainage and bridge fees will not be applicable with any application. A final drainage report is required with the subsequent site development plan to analyze drainage patterns.

4. Transportation

The subject property is located immediately north of U.S. Highway 94 west of Ellicott Highway. U.S. Highway 94 is a two-lane highway under the jurisdiction of CDOT (Colorado Department of Transportation). Ellicott Highway is a two-lane major collector and is owned and maintained by El Paso County.

A traffic impact analysis (TIS) was received with the map amendment (rezoning) request addressing the anticipated traffic generation of the proposed project, impacts, and anticipated necessary improvements. Transportation improvements necessary due to site development will be further defined with the site development plan. The applicant is responsible for obtaining an access permit from CDOT, as well as building necessary improvements that are needed per the State Highway Access Code.

The development is subject to the El Paso County Road Impact Fee program (Resolution No. 19-471).

I. SERVICES

1. Water

Water is provided by an existing well.

2. Sanitation

Wastewater is provided by an existing on-site wastewater treatment systems (OWTS).

3. Emergency Services

The property is within the Ellicott Fire Protection District. The District was sent a referral and has no outstanding comments.

4. Utilities

Electrical service is provided by Mountain View Electric Association (MVEA) and natural gas service is provided by Black Hills Energy. Both MVEA and Black Hills Energy were sent referrals and have no outstanding comments.

5. Metropolitan Districts

The property is not located within the boundaries of a metropolitan district.

6. Parks/Trails

Land dedication and fees in lieu of park land dedication are not required for a map amendment (rezoning) application.

7. Schools

Land dedication and fees in lieu of school land dedication are not required for a map amendment (rezoning) application.

J. APPLICABLE RESOLUTIONS

See attached resolution.

K. STATUS OF MAJOR ISSUES

There are no major issues associated with the rezone.

L. RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS AND NOTATIONS

Should the Planning Commission and the Board of County Commissioners find that the request meets the criteria for approval outlined in Section 5.3.5 (Map Amendment, Rezoning) of the El Paso County Land Development Code (2021), staff recommends the following conditions and notations.

CONDITIONS

1. The developer shall comply with federal and state laws, regulations, ordinances, review and permit requirements, and other agency requirements. Applicable agencies include but are not limited to: the Colorado Parks and Wildlife, Colorado Department of Transportation, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service regarding the Endangered Species Act, particularly as it relates to the Preble's Meadow Jumping Mouse as a listed threatened species.
2. Any future or subsequent development and/or use of the property shall be in accordance with the use, density, and dimensional standards of the CS (Commercial Service) zoning district and with the applicable sections of the Land Development Code and Engineering Criteria Manual.

NOTATIONS

1. If a zone or rezone petition has been disapproved by the Board of County Commissioners, resubmittal of the previously denied petition will not be accepted for a period of one (1) year if it pertains to the same parcel of land and is a petition for a change to the same zone that was previously denied. However, if evidence is presented showing that there has been a substantial change in physical conditions or circumstances, the Planning Commission may reconsider said petition. The time limitation of one (1) year shall be computed from the date of final determination by the Board of County Commissioners or, in the event of court litigation, from the date of the entry of final judgment of any court of record.
2. Rezoning requests not forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners for consideration within 180 days of Planning Commission action will be deemed withdrawn and will have to be resubmitted in their entirety.

M. PUBLIC COMMENT AND NOTICE

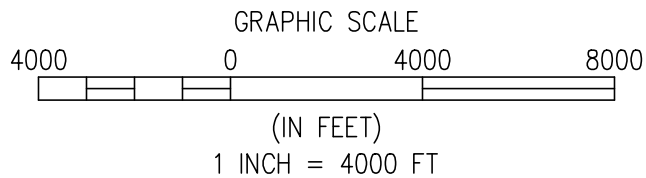
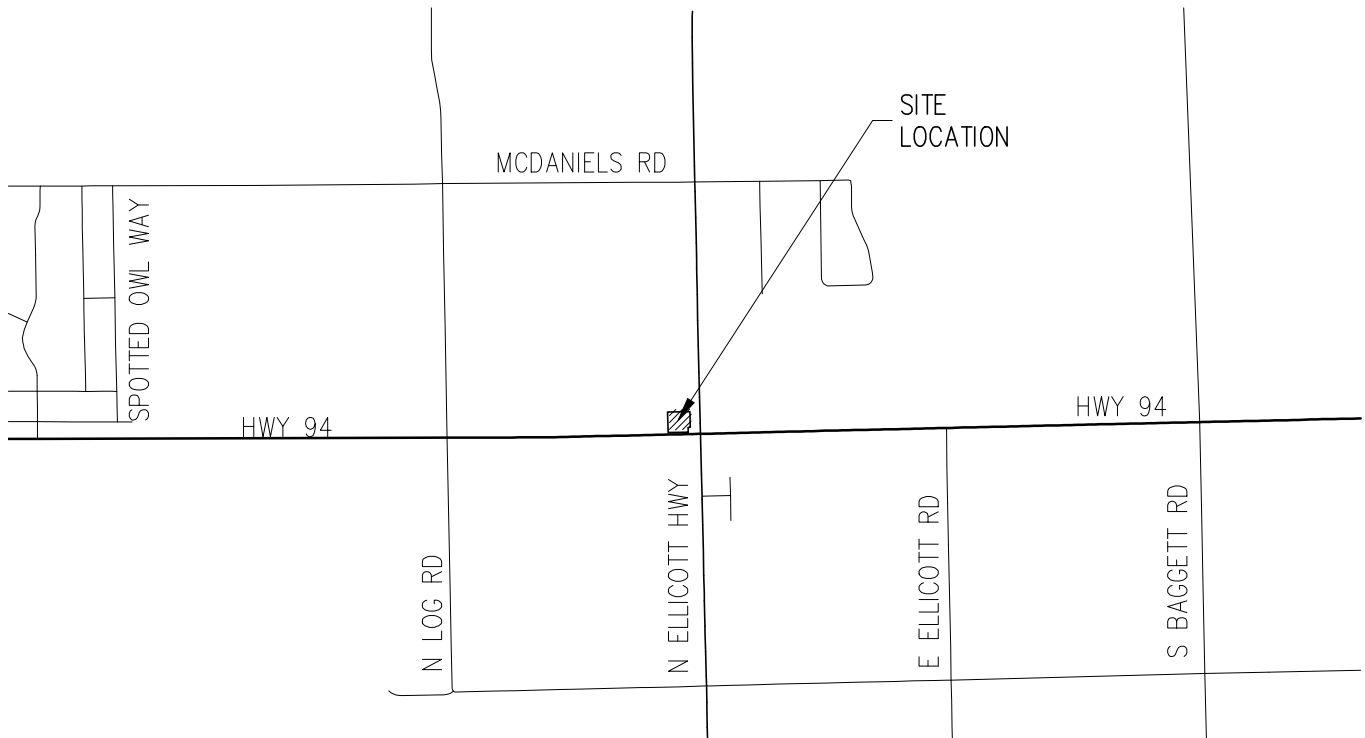
The Planning and Community Development Department notified six (6) adjoining property owners on October 28, 2022, for the Planning Commission meeting. Responses will be provided at the hearing.

N. ATTACHMENTS

Vicinity Map
Letter of Intent
Rezone Map
Draft PC Resolution

VICINITY MAP FUEL B'S

LOCATED IN THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 12,
TOWNSHIP 14 SOUTH, RANGE 63 WEST
OF THE 6th PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, EL PASO COUNTY, COLORADO



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BRAR, LLC

FUEL B'S
23580 HIGHWAY 94

EL PASO COUNTY

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December 17, 2021

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RE: Letter of Intent to Rezone 23580 Highway 94 from A-35 to CS

Baseline Engineering Corporation, on behalf of Pushpinder Brar of KB Fuel LLC, dba Fuel-B's (the "Applicant"), is requesting to rezone 23580 Highway 94 Calhan, CO, (the "Subject Property") from A-35 (Agricultural) to CS (Commercial Services). The existing convenience store and gas station is currently zoned A-35 and is classified as a legal non-conforming use.

Site Location, Size and Zoning:

23580 Highway 94, Calhan, CO 80808 – north of Highway 94, west of Ellicott Highway. Zoned A-35 (Agricultural); 4.5 acres.

Request and Justification:

The applicant is requesting to rezone the property from A-35 (Agricultural) to CS (Commercial Services). The rezone is being requested in order to address the legal nonconforming use of the property, as fuel stations are not permitted in agricultural zones. The request complies with the Criteria for Approval of a Map Amendment (Rezoning) as stated in Section 5.3.5(B) of the Land Development Code:

- **The application is in general conformance with the El Paso County Master Plan including applicable Small Area Plans or there has been a substantial change in the character of the neighborhood since the land was last zoned.**

The proposed rezone from A-35 to CS fulfills the prescribed goals identified in the El Paso County Master Plan, which states that supporting commercial uses should be considered particularly along Highway 94. The Subject Property is located in the existing Rural Center, which has some commercial uses including a small grocery store and restaurant. The Master Plan states that the County should work to expand this Rural Center with additional commercial uses to help support the surrounding growing residential. Approval of the rezoning will allow the business to continue serving nearby residents while operating as a permitted use. The proposed rezone from A-35 to CS also fulfills the prescribed objectives identified in the Ellicott Valley Comprehensive Plan.

- **The rezoning is in compliance with all applicable statutory provisions, including but not limited to C.R.S. § 30-28-111 § 30-28-113, and § 30-28-116.**

The rezoning is in compliance with C.R.S. § 30-28-111, § 30-28-113, and § 30-28-116; as well as all other applicable statutory provisions known to the applicant.

- **The proposed land use or zone district is compatible with the existing and permitted land uses and zone districts in all directions.**

The subject property is directly adjacent to a parcel zoned CS, which has a similar density and acreage. The proposed (existing) land use is compatible with other local developments in terms of density, access, scale, and aesthetics. The property is also compatible with nearby land uses; including a restaurant, church, grocery store, auto service shop, and bank.

- **The site is suitable for the intended use, including the ability to meet the standards as described in Chapter 5 of the Land Development Code, for the intended zone district.**

The proposed use remains the same as the existing use (fuel station). Future improvements to the site can and will comply with the standards described in Chapter 5 of the Land Development Code. The proposed rezoning does not request a new use of the property, and if approved, will classify the legal nonconforming gas station as a permitted use. There will be no adverse impacts to the health, safety, and welfare of surrounding businesses and residences with the proposed rezoning.

Existing and Proposed Facilities, Structures, Roads:

The subject property has an existing fuel station and a 3,524 square foot convenience store. The associated Site Development Plan proposes a new canopy to be built above the new diesel pumps. There are also two existing sheds/trailers on the southeast corner of the site that are approximately 17.5'x13.5' each. The southeast corner of the site also contains an existing single story 2,340 square foot stucco garage building that is leased by the Ellicott Fire Protection District. The property abuts Highway 94. No new roads are proposed.

Waiver Requests and Justification:

No proposed waiver requests.

The Purpose and Need for Change in Zone Classification:

The property's use as a fuel station is considered legal nonconforming in the A-35 Zone. The applicant is proposing to rezone the property to CS in order to address the legal nonconforming status. If approved, the rezoning will be followed by a Site Development Plan, in which the applicant proposes to install new diesel pumps and a diesel tank under a new canopy.

Total Number of Acres in Requested Area:

The subject property is 4.5 acres.

Total Number of Residential Units and Densities:

No new residential units proposed. The subject property is located adjacent to two existing single family residential properties to the south across Highway 94, and directly to the east.

Number of Industrial or Commercial Sites Proposed:

No new commercial or industrial sites proposed. The applicant is not requesting to change the existing use as a fuel station.

Approximate Floor Area Ratio of Industrial and/or Commercial Uses:

Existing convenience store is 3,524 square feet; new canopy is proposed to meet minimum size requirement to avoid labeling the property as "high risk" for drainage.

The Number of Mobile Home Units and Densities:

No new mobile home units proposed. The subject property is located adjacent to one existing mobile home to the southwest, on the south side of Highway 94.

Typical Lot Sizes – Length and Width:

Typical lot sizes adjacent to the property range from 0.9 acres to 67 acres.

Type of Proposed Recreational Facilities:

No proposed recreational facilities.

Phased Construction Schedule:

All planned improvements will be constructed in a single phase.

Anticipated Schedule of Development:

The property owner anticipates beginning construction in Spring 2022, and completing construction by Summer 2022.

How Water and Sewer Will Be Provided:

Water and sanitation permits will be submitted so that the EPC can verify that the thresholds will not be exceeded with the expansion of the fuel station. If thresholds are exceeded, new permits will be applied for. The property has an existing well permit and a septic permit (permit #12931).

Proposed Uses; Relationship Between Uses and Densities:

The proposed use remains the same as existing (fuel station). Adjacent properties include single-family residential, agriculture/vacant land, retail/merchandising, and warehouse/storage. The subject property has a similar density and acreage to the adjacent property to the west, also zoned CS.

Areas of Required Landscaping:

Landscaping is required on south side of the property along the expressway at 25-foot depth; one tree required per 20 feet. Parking lot landscaping required; one island per every 15 parking spaces. Minimum of 5% of the lot shall be landscaped; minimum of one tree required for every 500 square feet of required internal landscape area. Landscaping is required to meet the standards in Section 6.2.2 of the Land Development Code. The well permit for the property will dictate whether the landscaping requirements from Chapter 6 can be met, or if an alternative landscaping plan will be required.

Proposed Access Locations:

A second access point is being proposed on the southwest corner of the property to convert the traffic direction to one-way; and to address the limited turn around space in front of the gas station. The existing access point will remain off of Highway 94 near the southeastern corner of the property, but will be modified subject to CDOT review and approval.

Traffic Impact Study Findings:

The site is projected to generate approximately 33 new morning peak hour trips, with 17 inbound and 16 outbound. Approximately 75% of these trips will be pass-by trips. The site is projected to generate approximately 52 new afternoon peak hour trips, with 25 inbound and 27 outbound. Approximately 75% of these trips will be pass-by trips. Total trips, including existing and new, would be 143 during the morning peak hour and 224 during the afternoon peak hour.

An additional access point is being proposed to allow for easier access and circulation through the site; particularly for semi-trucks. The Traffic Impact Study (TIS) acknowledges that the existing configuration of the site with a single access point makes it difficult or nearly impossible for trucks to circulate through the property.

The TIS suggests that a combined access point with the property to the west could address circulation issues, as well as the Access Code criteria and Access Guidelines contained in the Highway 94 Access Management Plan. It notes that the existing east and proposed west access designs would need to be modified to eliminate the configuration with one outbound lane between two inbound lanes. The TIS states that if a second access is permitted, a design waiver would be necessary because Access Code Section 4.4 requires 400 feet of spacing between access points. However, no additional auxiliary lanes are required for the site.

Finally, the TIS suggests that an access easement should be provided for the properties to the east, near the corner of SH 94 and Ellicott Highway, as it would allow future options for access if turn-movement restrictions are implemented due to the proximity of the property to the intersection. An access easement would assist with the goals of the Highway 94 Access Management Plan.

Approximate Acres and Percent of Land to be Set Aside as Open Space (Not to Include Parking, Drive, and Access Roads):

Will meet minimum requirements in the Land Development Code.

Thank you for your consideration,

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RE: Response to Request for Revised Zoning Map

The Applicant acknowledges the review comment provided by the Ellicott Fire Protection District on 10/26/2021, regarding the 2,340 square-foot building and property line near the southeast corner of the site. After further research, it appears that the comment was intended to be informational only. Further, Rick VanDyke in the El Paso County GIS Department confirmed that there is no record of a boundary change at this location, and that the property line should remain as shown on the original rezoning map.

Thank you,



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MAP AMENDMENT - REZONE (RECOMMEND APPROVAL)

_____ moved that the following Resolution be adopted:

BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION

OF THE COUNTY OF EL PASO

STATE OF COLORADO

RESOLUTION NO. CS-21-002
FUEL STATION REZONING

WHEREAS, Baseline Engineering Corporation did file an application with the El Paso County Planning and Community Development Department for an amendment of the El Paso County Zoning Map to rezone property in the unincorporated area of El Paso County as described in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, from the A-35 (Agricultural) zoning district to the CS (Commercial Service) zoning district; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held by this Commission on November 17, 2022; and

WHEREAS, based on the evidence, testimony, exhibits, consideration of the Master Plan for the unincorporated area of the County, presentation and comments of the El Paso County Planning and Community Development Department and other County representatives, comments of public officials and agencies, comments from all interested persons, comments by the general public, and comments by the El Paso County Planning Commission Members during the hearing, this Commission finds as follows:

1. The application was properly submitted for consideration by the Planning Commission;
2. Proper posting, publication, and public notice were provided as required by law for the hearing before the Planning Commission;
3. The hearing before the Planning Commission was extensive and complete, that all pertinent facts, matters, and issues were submitted and that all interested persons and the general public were heard at that hearing;
4. All exhibits were received into evidence;
5. The proposed land use does not permit the use of an area containing a commercial mineral deposit in a manner which would interfere with the present or future extraction of such deposit by an extractor;
6. All data, surveys, analyses, studies, plans, and designs as are required by the State of Colorado and El Paso County have been submitted, reviewed, and found to meet all sound planning and engineering requirements of the El Paso County Subdivision Regulations; and

7. For the above-stated and other reasons, the proposed amendment of the El Paso County Zoning Map is in the best interest of the health, safety, morals, convenience, order, prosperity, and welfare of the citizens of El Paso County.

WHEREAS, in approving a map amendment (rezoning), the Planning Commission and the Board of County Commissioners shall find that the request meets the criteria for approval outlined in Section 5.3.5 (Map Amendment, Rezoning) of the El Paso County Land Development Code (2022):

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the El Paso County Planning Commission recommends that the petition of Baseline Engineering Corporation for an amendment to the El Paso County Zoning Map to rezone property located in the unincorporated area of El Paso County from the A-35 (Agricultural) zoning district to the CS (Commercial Service) zoning district be approved by the Board of County Commissioners with the following conditions and notations:

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1. The developer shall comply with federal and state laws, regulations, ordinances, review and permit requirements, and other agency requirements. Applicable agencies include but are not limited to: the Colorado Parks and Wildlife, Colorado Department of Transportation, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service regarding the Endangered Species Act, particularly as it relates to the Preble's Meadow Jumping Mouse as a listed threatened species.
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1. If a zone or rezone petition has been disapproved by the Board of County Commissioners, resubmittal of the previously denied petition will not be accepted for a period of one (1) year

if it pertains to the same parcel of land and is a petition for a change to the same zone that was previously denied. However, if evidence is presented showing that there has been a substantial change in physical conditions or circumstances, the Planning Commission may reconsider said petition. The time limitation of one (1) year shall be computed from the date of final determination by the Board of County Commissioners or, in the event of court litigation, from the date of the entry of final judgment of any court of record.

2. Rezoning requests not forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners for consideration within 180 days of Planning Commission action will be deemed withdrawn and will have to be resubmitted in their entirety.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution and the recommendations contained herein be forwarded to the El Paso County Board of County Commissioners for its consideration.

_____ seconded the adoption of the foregoing Resolution.

The roll having been called, the vote was as follows: circle one

Brian Risley	aye / no / abstain / absent
Thomas Bailey	aye / no / abstain / absent
Tim Trowbridge	aye / no / abstain / absent
Joan Lucia-Treese	aye / no / abstain / absent
Becky Fuller	aye / no / abstain / absent
Sarah Brittain Jack	aye / no / abstain / absent
Jay Carlson	aye / no / abstain / absent
Eric Moraes	aye / no / abstain / absent
Joshua Patterson	aye / no / abstain / absent
Bryce Schuettpeiz	aye / no / abstain / absent
Christopher Whitney	aye / no / abstain / absent
Brandy Merriam	aye / no / abstain / absent

The Resolution was adopted by a vote of ___to___ by the Planning Commission of the County of El Paso, State of Colorado.

DONE THIS 17th day of November 2022, at Colorado Springs, Colorado.

EL PASO COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

By: _____
Brian Risley, Chair

DATED: November 17, 2022

EXHIBIT A

Legal Description – 23580 Highway 94, Calhan, CO 80808

THAT PART OF SE4SE4 OF SEC 12-14-63 DESC AS FOLS, BEG AT SW COR OF THAT ONE ACRE TRACT DESC IN BK 854-261, TH N 28.28 RODS (466.62 FT), TH W 28.28 RODS (466.62 FT), TH S 28.28 RODS (466.62 FT), TO S LN OF SE4, TH E ON SD S LN 28.28 RODS (466.62 FT) TO POB, EX THAT PORTION BK 3594-598, EX PT CONV TO HWY BY BK 978-99