







Planning and Development Services

PB-10-22 TCH Electric Golf Cart Sales in BUS District by SUP

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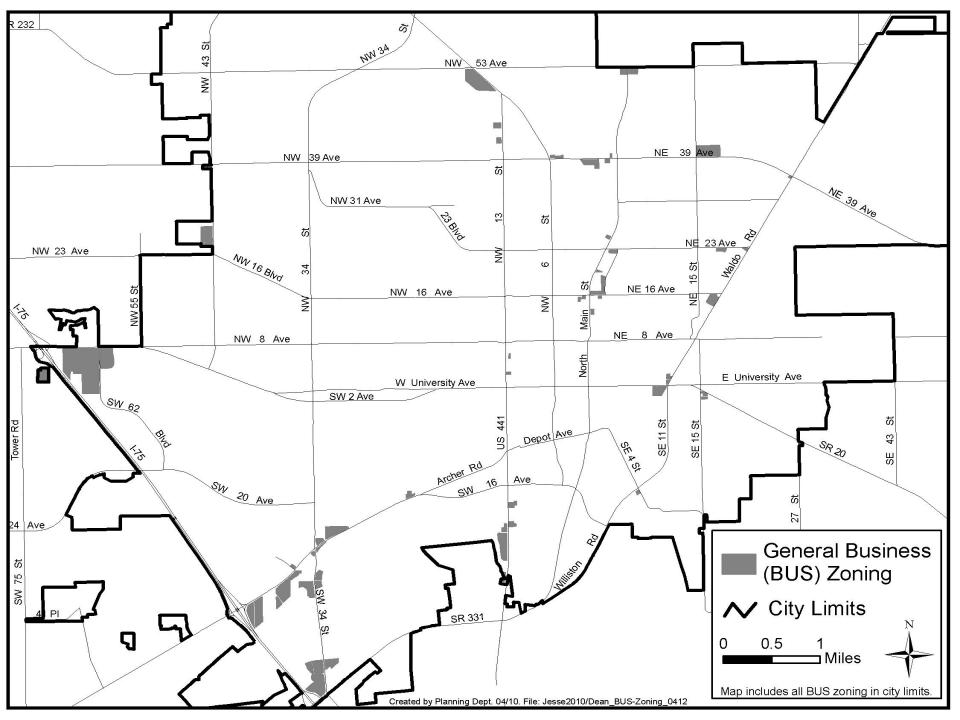
(City Legistar No. 100023)



- Petitioner seeks LDC change so that retail battery store in BUS district can sell limited no. electric golf carts
- Petitioner requests limiting proposed vehicle sales to elec. golf carts



 BUS (General business) district approx. 385 acres (0.6 sq miles, < 1% of city's 64 sq mile area)





- Golf carts per FL Statutes:
- Designed for operation on golf course for sporting or recreational purposes
- <= 20 MPH</p>
- Are NOT "Low-speed vehicles" (which, per F.S. can operate on streets posted up to 35 MPH, and require lights, mirror, windshield, etc., registration & insurance)



- Electric Vehicle (def'd by F.S. to be motor vehicle powered by electric motor that draws current from batteries, fuel cells, etc.)
- Staff combined F.S. definitions of Golf Cart and Electric Vehicle for proposed definition



Definition (proposed)

 Golf cart, electric means a motor vehicle that is designed and manufactured for operation on a golf course for sporting or recreational purposes and that is not capable of exceeding speeds of 20 miles per hour, and that is powered by an electric motor that draws current from rechargeable storage batteries, fuel cells, or other sources of electrical current. This definition does not include low-speed vehicles as defined by Sub-section 320.01(42), Florida **Statutes**



Specially Regulated Use

- Helps limit expansion of motor vehicle sales beyond BA, BI and I-1 districts (where motor vehicle sales permitted by right).
- Special Use Permit required in BUS



Outdoor storage & display (proposed conditions)

- Services/repairs in enclosed buildings
- No outdoor storage between bldg & ROW, and only in rear or side yard
- Max. total 5 elec. golf carts outdoor displayed
- Add'l landscaping required where abutting residential



Recommendation – Petition

Plan Bd to City Commission:

Approve Petition - Plan Board vote: 6-0

Staff to City Commission: Approve Petition as recommended by Plan Bd & subsequently modified to include minor clarifications of landscaping requirements pertaining to outdoor storage & display



Recommendation – Ordinance

Staff recommends Approval