
MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 1, 2002

TO: Council Members

FROM: Janice Jardine
Land Use and Policy Analyst

SUBJECT: Petition No. 400-01-28 – Jewish Community Center request to rezone property at 668 South 1300 East (formerly Douglas Elementary School) from Public Lands to Institutional

CC: Rocky Fluhart, David Nimkin, Roger Cutler, Lynn Pace, Alison Weyher, David Dobbins, Brent Wilde, Cheri Coffey, Joel Paterson, Sylvia Jones, Gwen Springmeyer

OPTIONS AND MOTIONS:

1. ["I move that the Council"] Adopt an ordinance rezone property at 668 South 1300 East (formerly Douglas Elementary School) from Public Lands to Institutional.
2. ["I move that the Council"] Not adopt an ordinance rezone property at 668 South 1300 East (formerly Douglas Elementary School) from Public Lands to Institutional.

KEY ELEMENTS:

- A. This is a request from the Jewish Community Center to rezone property at 668 South 1300 East (formerly Douglas Elementary School) from Public Lands to Institutional. The Public Lands zoning district does not allow privately owned institutional facilities. Please see the attached Council staff report for details. The proposed rezoning would facilitate:
 1. Sale of the property by the Salt Lake City School District.
 2. Redevelopment and reuse of the site for a private school.
- B. On October 24, 2002, the Council office received a letter from Ms. Denise Goldsmith, President of the McGillis School, indicating that on October 22, 2002 the Salt Lake City School Board voted to sell the Douglas School property to the McGillis School.
- C. By way of background, on March 5, and July 2, 2002, the Council continued action on the proposed rezoning for 120 days in order to allow the Jewish Community Center and the McGillis School the opportunity to finalize financial details relating to the purchase of the property from the School District. Representatives from the Jewish Community Center, the Salt Lake City School District and the McGillis School indicated that:
 1. The Jewish Community Center decided not to exercise its option to purchase the Douglas School property.

2. The McGillis School, which has always functioned as a program of the Jewish Community Center, determined in consultation with the JCC to pursue the purchase of the Douglas School for educational purposes.
3. The School District is currently considering other possible in-district uses for the property including purchase by the McGillis School.
4. The School District indicated that evaluation of possible options and a decision is intended to be completed by the end of this year.