Case 033-17: 1521 Langston Hughes Broadway – A request to rezone from R-2 (Two-Family Residential) to C-3 (Commercial) for constructing a restaurant - Gary Johnson.

Mr. Duncan asked if there was anyone else who would like to speak in favor of this designation.

Mr. Gerald Cole, 826 S Highland, Joplin, MO appeared before the commission. He is originally from Tennessee and has been here in Missouri approximately 90 days. He has spoken to Mr. Gary Johnson about putting a restaurant on this piece of property. He stated the building is 30 x 60 and there are appropriate spaces for parking. He also stated that they met with city officials last week to discuss putting in a restaurant and the details of what needed to be completed. This will provide jobs and bring the neighborhood up. They are trying to buy the property behind where the restaurant is located from the City and the adjacent property.

Mr. Cortez reaffirmed the parking spaces and asked where would the parking spaces be located.

Mr. Cole stated that they would be on the left side of the street. The architect has plans to provide to the City.

Mr. Cortez asked if this restaurant be dinning in or take out.

Mr. Cole said it would be both. It will hold 60 people.

Mr. Duncan asked if there was anyone else who would like to speak in favor of this case. There were none.,

Anyone here to speak in opposition of this case. There were none.

Mr. Duncan Closed the Public Hearing.

MR. RAMSOUR MOVED, SECONDED BY MR. CORTEZ, THAT CASE 033-17 BE FORWARD TO CITY COUNCIL WITH RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL. THE MOTION CARRIED, WITH MR. DUNCAN, MR. CORTEZ, MR. RAMSOUR, MS. BRUECKNER-SEARS MR. DERMOTT, AND MS. STEELE VOTING "AYE". (6 IN FAVOR, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT).