

P-17-12 Genghis Grill

Staff Report for Board of Supervisors Public Hearing *Prepared November 19, 2012*

This report is prepared by the Henrico County Planning Staff to provide information to the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors to assist them in making a decision on this application. It may also be useful to others interested in this zoning matter.

I. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Planning Commission:	November 8, 2012	Recommend for Approval
Board of Supervisors:	December 11, 2012	Pending

II. IDENTIFICATION AND LOCATIONAL INFORMATION:

Request:	Outdoor dining for Genghis Grill located at The Corner at Short Pump shopping center	
Existing Zoning:	B-2C*, Business District (Conditional)	
Acreage:	15.59 acre parcel – part of shopping center 500 square feet – outdoor dining area	
Location:	South line of W. Broad Street (U.S. Route 250) approximately 640' west of its intersection with Lauderdale Drive	
Magisterial District:	Three Chopt	
2026 Comprehensive Plan Recommendation:	Commercial Arterial	
Parcel No:	Part of Parcel 736-762-7338	
Zoning of Surrounding Property:	North: B-3C* Business District (Conditional) South: RTHC* Residential Townhouse District (Conditional) B-2C* Business District (Conditional) East: B-2C* Business District (Conditional) West: B-2C* Business District (Conditional) A-1* Agricultural District	

*West Broad Street Overlay District

III. SUMMARY OF STAFF REPORT COMMENTS:

This is a request for a Provisional Use Permit (PUP) to allow a restaurant (Genghis Grill) located within The Corner at Short Pump shopping center to operate an outdoor dining area. The outdoor dining area would be located on a concrete patio along the western exterior wall of the restaurant. The 2026 Comprehensive Plan recommends Commercial Arterial for the property, which is zoned B-2C Business District (Conditional) and is located within the West Broad Street Overlay District. Properly regulated this request would be compatible with surrounding uses and would be a reasonable extension of the restaurant's operation. Staff believes outdoor dining is an appropriate use at this commercial location and supports this request subject to the recommended conditions outlined in Section IV of this staff report.

At its November 8, 2012 public hearing, the Planning Commission recommended approval of this request.

IV. LAND USE ANALYSIS AND IMPLICATIONS:

Genghis Grill is a new restaurant located at The Corner at Short Pump. The restaurant occupies 3,805 square feet of Building 1 in The Corner at Short Pump shopping center. The building is located on the south line of West Broad Street (U.S. Route 250), approximately 640 feet west of its intersection with Lauderdale Drive and is located within the West Broad Street Overlay District. The shopping center was rezoned via C-57C-06, amended with case C-65C-07, and was approved and constructed via POD-025-08. An outdoor dining area would not be in conflict with accepted proffers.

The outdoor dining area at Genghis Grill was originally intended as convenience seating approved and constructed via POD-025-08. A Provisional Use Permit (PUP) is required before the restaurant can provide table service and serve alcohol in the dining area outside the restaurant. The outdoor dining would be 500 square feet and capable of accommodating approximately 30 restaurant patrons. It would be located along the western exterior wall of the restaurant. The area would be enclosed by a 48-inch high aluminum patio fence with a gate for emergency use. Public access to the dining area would be from the interior of the restaurant. Staff has included Condition #6 regarding access to the outdoor dining area. To regulate outdoor speakers, staff also recommends Condition #2 which prohibits such speakers from being audible beyond the property lines of the development.

The 2026 Comprehensive Plan designates this area as Commercial Arterial. The proposed outdoor dining area is consistent with this designation and the site's B-2C Business District (Conditional) zoning. Properly regulated, the outdoor dining use would be compatible with surrounding uses. Staff recommends approval of this request subject to the following recommended conditions:

- 1. The outdoor dining area shall not be in operation between 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.
- 2. Any outside speakers or sound system shall comply with the following standards:
 - a. Sound systems shall be equipped with controls permitting full volume adjustment.
 - b. Sound from the system shall not be audible beyond the property lines of the development.
 - c. Sound systems may be used only when outside dining is permitted.
- 3. The operator shall not permit food preparation outside the enclosed building.
- 4. The fence enclosing the outdoor dining area shall be limited in height to 48 inches.

- 5. Outdoor lighting fixtures shall complement the style of the building. Lighting fixtures shall not produce glare for motorists or pedestrians on the adjacent rights-of-way and parking areas and shall illuminate only the outdoor dining area.
- 6. Access to the outdoor dining area shall be available only through the interior of the restaurant, except during an emergency when the patio fence exit gate may be utilized.
- 7. This permit shall apply only to Genghis Grill and shall not apply to any other business in The Corner at Short Pump.
- 8. The outdoor dining area shall comply with proffered conditions of rezoning case C-65C-07.
- 9. Trash receptacles shall be provided and properly serviced to control litter generated by this use.
- 10. Outdoor dining furniture, fencing, and canopies shall be of durable material and complementary to exterior features of the building.
- 11. The outdoor dining area shall be constructed in general conformance with the elevations and layout depicted in "Exhibit A" and "Exhibit B."
- 12. Televisions and other video display devices shall not be allowed in the outdoor dining area.
- 13. Prior to operation, the applicant shall consult with the Special Services Unit within the Division of Police to discuss crime prevention recommendations and conduct a security survey of the property and restaurant operations. The applicant shall implement mutually agreed upon security recommendations.

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V. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ANALYSIS:

2026 Comprehensive Plan Recommendation:

The 2026 Comprehensive Plan recommends Commercial Arterial for this site. The proposed outdoor dining area would be consistent with this designation.

Goals, Objectives and Policies:

With adherence to the conditions recommended in Section IV of this report, this request is most consistent with the following Goals, Objectives, and Policies of the 2026 Comprehensive Plan:

- Land Use and Community Character Objective 4: Promote developments with facilities that provide a safe pedestrian environment.
- Land Use and Community Character Objectives 41: Promote public safety through the use of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) methods.
- Retail/Commercial Keystone Policies 1: Strongly encourage all Retail/Commercial development to meet quality standards related to site layout; building configuration, materials, massing, shape and height; landscaping; signage; parking lot aesthetics and functional design; vehicular and pedestrian circulation; lighting; stormwater management; environmental protection; mass transit access; and others.

VI. PUBLIC SERVICE AND SITE CONSIDERATIONS:

Major Thoroughfare and Transportation:

The Department of Public Works has no objections for a Provisional Use Permit to allow outside dining for an existing restaurant (Genghis Grill).

Drainage:

No comments.

Public Utilities Services:

The restaurant is currently served with County water and sewer. The Department of Public Utilities has no objections to the applicant's request for outdoor dining.

Schools:

This case does not have adverse educational impacts.

Division of Police:

The Henrico Police Division supports and implements Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED), which is the theory that the proper design and effective use of the built environment can lead to a reduction in the incidence and fear of crime and an improvement in the quality of life. The following crime prevention measures should be considered:

- Access into the outdoor dining area should only be gained from inside the restaurant.
- Visibility should be provided from the interior of the restaurant to the outdoor dining area. At a minimum the door into the outdoor dining area should be mostly glass with no tinting.

Fire:

No comments.

Libraries: No comments.

Recreation and Parks:

No park or recreation facilities, historical, archeological or battlefield impact.

Community Revitalization:

No comments.

Topography and Land Characteristics Adaptability:

There are no known topographical constraints affecting this request.









