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Council OKs zoning change for Oak Street

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ROANOKE - The city cleared a major hurdle Tuesday for the redevelopment of Oak Street with the approval of a zoning change.

The City Council voted unanimously to change the zoning along Oak Street from single-family, local business and retail zoning to the recently created Oak Street Corridor zoning.

Officials hope that the new zoning will spur development along the downtown street.

"I think this is going to be the catalyst for an exciting redevelopment project," City Manager Jimmy Stathatos said.

"It's going to be a long time, but I think it's going to be a legacy."

The zoning is designed to take Oak Street in an eclectic direction from its current, mostly commercial use.

The plan calls for the street to be rebuilt from Byron Nelson Boulevard to U.S. 377 with the addition of pedestrian areas, landscaping, curbs, gutters and other amenities.

The city wants to hold on to existing businesses, but officials hope to attract chic new businesses and lofts. The city will next apply for a grant from the North Central Texas Council of Governments for an undetermined amount of money to help pay for the \$3.5 million project.

Mayor Carl Gierisch Jr. said the city's chances for the grant are good. If the grant doesn't come through, it will hinder some portions of the project but not stop it.

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