## Zoning panel greenlights local developer's mixed-use project near Lone Star



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A rendering of Bakke Development's planned project in the Lone Star district. ALAMO ARCHITECTS



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A local developer's plans for a mixed-use project in the <u>Lone Star area</u> received approval from the <u>Zoning Commission</u> this week.

Bakke Development Corp. is moving ahead with a <u>riverfront</u> project that is expected to add office and retail to the Lone Star area. The firm has spent the last five years acquiring the five parcels of land at the 2000 block of South St. Mary's Street, 207 Roosevelt Ave. and 303 Mission Road for the development. The last purchase, for parking purposes, was for a right-of-way site owned by a railroad on the eastern edge of the project plan. The company also acquired the bridge that connects the two main parcels running across South St. Mary's Street.

An official project name hasn't been disclosed, though design renderings label the project as "South Star." Those renderings show offices springing up on the eastern portion of the development while the western side shows food trucks and other retail uses.

In a presentation to the commission, Ashley Fairmond, partner at Killen, Griffin & Farrimond, said providing gathering space for the surrounding community is a focal point of the project. The historic buildings on the eastern side of the development would be renovated.

The commission granted the company's request to rezone the land from industrial to commercial use.

The project still requires approvals from City Council and the Historic and Design Review Commission.

Alamo Architects is on the design team. Bakke did not return a request for comment by publication time.