SEPTEMBER 9, 2019 OLATHE PLANNING COMMISSION CASE LOCATIONS


City of Olathe Planning Commission
100 E. Santa Fe | Council Chamber
Monday | September 9, 2019|7:00 PM
Final Agenda

## CALL TO ORDER

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## QUORUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

## CONSENT AGENDA

A. MN19-0826: Standing approval of the minutes as written from the August 26, 2019

Planning Commission meeting.

## REGULAR AGENDA-NEW BUSINESS

A. PUBLIC HEARING

RZ19-0012: Request approval for a rezoning from R-1, RP-1, RP-4, and CTY A Districts to R-1 District, and preliminary plat for Prairie Canyon on $73.19 \pm$ acres; located in the vicinity of the southwest corner of the intersection of College Boulevard and K-7 Highway.

Owner: Trust of Sandra G. Mitchell
Applicant: Frank Dean; Prime Development Land Company Engineer: David Rinne; Schlagel \& Associates, P.A.
B. PUBLIC HEARING

RZ19-0014: Request approval for a rezoning from R-1, RP-4, and CTY A Districts to R-2 District and preliminary site development plan for Prairie Canyon on $18.20 \pm$ acres; located in the vicinity of the southwest corner of the intersection of College Boulevard and K-7 Highway.
Owner: Trust of Sandra G. Mitchell
Applicant: Frank Dean; Prime Development Land Company
Engineer: David Rinne; Schlagel \& Associates, P.A.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ADJOURNMENT

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## MINUTES - Opening Remarks

## Planning Commission Meeting: August 26, 2019

The Planning Commission convened at 7:00 p.m. to meet in regular session with Chairman Dean Vakas presiding. Vice Chair Rinke and Commissioners Ryan Freeman, Jeremy Fry and Chip Corcoran were present. Commissioners Barry Sutherland, Ryan Nelson, Jose Munoz and Shirley Allenbrand were absent.

Recited Pledge of Allegiance.
The Chair made introductory comments. Regarding ex parte communication, the Chair requested that if a commissioner had something to report, they specify the nature of the ex parte communication when item is reached in the agenda.

A motion to approve MN19-0812, the meeting minutes from August 12, 2019, was made by Vice Chair Rinke and seconded by Comm. Corcoran and passed with a vote of 5-0.

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## MINUTES

## Planning Commission Meeting: August 26, 2019

| Application: | PR19-0014 | Revised preliminary site development plan for Center <br> of Grace Church, located at 520 S. Harrison Street. |
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A motion to approve PR19-0014 on the Consent Agenda was made by Vice Comm. Rinke and seconded by Comm. Corcoran and passed with a vote of 5 to 0 , with the following staff stipulations:

1. A final site development plan shall be approved prior to issuance of a building permit.
2. Vertical articulation shall be modified in the final site development plan to include a twofoot ( 2 ft .) vertical parapet to the entry element located on the primary façade.
3. Curbing along the easternmost portion of the existing parking areas shall be included on a final site development plan for the Future Phase Building Expansion.
4. As proposed, the Future Phase Building Expansion will exceed stormwater requirements and shall be addressed at the time of submittal for a final site development plan for the Future Phase Building Expansion.
5. A third landscape island shall be added to the north parking pod, adjacent to the new building addition, and shall be included on a final site development plan for the Future Phase Building Expansion, per UDO 18.30.130.
6. Landscaping buffers will be added to screen parking from all adjacent streets and residential lots with a final site development plan for the Future Phase Building Expansion, per UDO 18.30.130.
7. As required by the UDO, all exterior ground or building mounted equipment, including but not limited to mechanical equipment, utility meter banks and coolers, shall be screened from public view with landscaping or an architectural treatment compatible with the building architecture.
8. Dead end water mains with fire hydrants are not permitted unless water supply calculations can be provided that demonstrate an adequate water supply provides the required fire flow or sprinkler demand, whichever is greater; otherwise, the water supply for hydrants is required to be looped to existing mains.
9. All new on-site wiring and cables shall be placed underground per UDO 18.30.250.

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10. A photometric plan shall be submitted with the final site development plan per UDO 18.30.135.

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## MINUTES

## Planning Commission Meeting: August 26, 2019

| Application: | PR19-0015 | Preliminary site development for Mahaffie Self- <br> Storage located along west side of S. Mahaffie <br> Street, north of $153^{\text {rd }}$ Court. |
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A motion to approve PR19-0015 on the Consent Agenda was made by Vice Comm. Rinke and seconded by Comm. Corcoran and passed with a vote of 5 to 0 , with the following staff stipulations:
a. A final site development plan shall be approved prior to issuance of a building permit.
b. Metal paneling utilized on all secondary facades shall consist of architectural metal.
c. Downspouts located on the north and south elevations of the three-story building shall be enclosed.
d. All landscaping along east property line shall be located outside of the overhead powerline easement.
e. A photometric plan and detailed cut sheets of all pole and building lighting shall be submitted with the final site development plan per UDO Section 18.30.135.
f. A note shall be included on the final site plan and elevations "As required by the UDO, all exterior ground or building mounted equipment, including but not limited to mechanical equipment, utility meter banks and coolers, shall be screened from public view with landscaping or an architectural treatment compatible with the building architecture."
g. Sign permits are required for all wall and monument signs in accordance with UDO Section 18.50.190.

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Planning Commission Meeting: August 26, 2019
Application: $\quad$ MP19-0012: Minor plat for Greystone Lake 2nd Plat

A motion to approve MP19-0012 on the Consent Agenda was made by Vice Comm. Rinke and seconded by Comm. Corcoran and passed with a vote of 5 to 0 , with the following staff stipulations:
a. Prior to recording the plat revise the signature name for the Planning Commission Chairman to "C.S. Vakas".
b. Prior to recording revise the plat name to "Greystone Lake 2nd Plat.
c. Prior to recording the plat, a digital file of the final plat (pdf format) shall be submitted to the Planning Division.

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## MINUTES

## Planning Commission Meeting: August 26, 2019

Application: $\quad$ MP19-0013: Minor plat for Ranch Villas at Prairie Haven, Lot 21

A motion to approve MP19-0013 on the Consent Agenda was made by Vice Comm. Rinke and seconded by Comm. Corcoran and passed with a vote of 5 to 0 , with the following staff stipulations:
a. Prior to recording the plat, a digital file of the final plat (pdf format) shall be submitted to the Planning Division.
b. All above ground electrical and/or telephone cabinets shall be placed within the interior side or rear building setback yards. However, such utility cabinets may be permitted within front or corner side yards adjacent to street right-of-way if cabinets are screened with landscape materials, subject to UDO 18.30.130.I.
c. A note shall be included on the building permit stating that all above ground mechanical equipment shall be screened according to UDO 18.30.130.I.
d. Developer shall fill in sidewalk gaps and replace non-ADA compliant asphalt sidewalk/ramps in this area when buildings are completed.

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## MINUTES

## Planning Commission Meeting: August 26, 2019

| Application: | MP19-0014: | Minor plat for Townhome at Fairfield Village, Forty- <br> Seventh Plat |
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A motion to approve MP19-0014 on the Consent Agenda was made by Vice Comm. Rinke and seconded by Comm. Corcoran and passed with a vote of 5 to 0 , with the following staff stipulations:

1. Sidewalks shall be constructed on both sides of all public and private streets and drives as required by the RP-3 zoning ordinance.
2. The developer is responsible for planting street trees, subject to UDO 18.30.130 G. Such trees shall be planted at the completion of each phase of development.
3. All above ground electrical and/or telephone cabinets shall be placed within the interior side or rear building setback yards. However, such utility cabinets may be permitted within front or corner side yards adjacent to street right-of way if cabinets are screened with landscape materials.
4. Prior to recording the plat, a digital file of the final plat (pdf format) shall be submitted to the Planning Division.

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| Application: | $\frac{\text { RZ19-0012: Request approval for a rezoning from R-1, RP-1, CTY A, }}{\text { and RP-4 Districts to R-1 District, and preliminary plat for Prairie }}$ <br> Canyon on 73.19 acres; located in the vicinity of the southwest <br> corner of the intersection of College Boulevard and K-7 Highway. |
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A motion to continue RZ19-0012 to a future Planning Commission meeting was made by ViceChairman Rinke and seconded by Comm. Fry and passed with a vote of 5 to 0 .

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| Application: | $\frac{\text { RZ19-0014: Request approval for a rezoning from R-1, RP-1, CTY A, }}{\text { and RP-4 Districts to R-2 District and preliminary site development }}$plan for Prairie Canyon on 18.20 acres; located in the vicinity of <br> the southwest corner of the intersection of College Boulevard and <br> K-7 Highway. |
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A motion to continue RZ19-0014 to a future Planning Commission meeting was made by ViceChairman Rinke and seconded by Comm. Fry and passed with a vote of 5 to 0 .

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## MINUTES

## Planning Commission Meeting: August 26, 2019

## Application:

## RZ19-0013 Rezoning from CP-2 to R-1 District and preliminary plat for Enclave at Boulder Hills

Dan Fernandez, Planner II, presented this request for rezoning and preliminary plat for the Enclave of Boulder Hills, rezoning from CP-2 Planned General Business District to R-1 Residential Single-Family District. The proposed preliminary plat includes 91 single-family lots in the vicinity of $175^{\text {th }}$ Street and Black Bob Road. The site is vacant and undeveloped. The surrounding area consists of R-1 to the north, RP-3 to the west, and County to the east and south. Upon review of the Future Land Use Map, staff believes single-family housing would be appropriate at this location.

Mr. Fernandez reported that the site was rezoned from County Rural to CP-2 in 2007. The associated preliminary site development plan included approximately 400,000 square feet of commercial uses. The applicant is proposing rezoning approximately 27 acres to $\mathrm{R}-1$ with this submittal. The remaining commercial will require a revised site preliminary development plan prior to any development taking place.

Mr. Fernandez presented the proposed preliminary plat with 91 lots and the required 15 percent common space. The applicant also meets the requirement for 50 percent active open space per the UDO, providing a clubhouse with interior amenities, outdoor gathering spaces, and walking trails. Mr. Fernandez reported that some lots are less than 7,200 square feet, the minimum in an $\mathrm{R}-1$ zoning. All homes will be required to meet Building Design Category A requirements and Site Design Category 1 requirements. Architectural requirements include front porches, garages set back from the primary façade, and having more than 70 percent Category 1 materials on primary elevations. Mr. Fernandez noted pedestrian connectivity to existing sidewalks and adjacent streets.

Mr. Fernandez presented a landscape plan, illustrating landscaping along the perimeter and required trees. Two waivers are being requested. The first is to reduce the side yard setback from 7 feet to 5 feet. The second is to use a Type 4A buffer instead of the required Type 4B buffer. Staff is supportive of both waiver requests as they meet the criteria for waivers. Also, a 5 foot buffer is appropriate for developments with smaller lot sizes and narrower widths. For the landscape buffer, the proposed plantings and berm will provide better screening than open space. Also, additional landscaping will be put in place when the commercial property develops to the south, and the remaining commercial acreage will consist of a smaller neighborhood commercial development instead of a large retail center.

Mr. Fernandez concluded by saying that staff recommends approval of the rezoning and preliminary plat for reasons including meeting the goals of the Comprehensive Plan, and meeting UDO criteria for rezoning.

Vice Chair Rinke asked for further clarification on the side yard setbacks and increased building design requirements. Mr. Fernandez responded that because of the smaller lot sizes, they are subject to Building Design Category A.

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Mr. Corcoran asked if the road to the west provides the first access into the site and where additional buffer area for Lot 87 will come from. Mr. Fernandez replied that it is and when the commercial development comes in, that will be reviewed.
Chair Vakas opened the public hearing and asked the applicant to come to the podium. Travis Schram, Applicant, 11282 South Belmont Street, Olathe, approached the podium. He believes this plan is a good fit for this site and a nice buffer to future commercial. He further believes that adding more residential will be good for the overall area.

There being no questions of the applicant, Chair Vakas called for a motion to close the public hearing.

Motion by Vice Chair Rinke, seconded by Comm. Freeman, to close the public hearing.
Motion passed 5-0.
Comm. Freeman is unsure about changing planned commercial development to residential, and asked if there is commercial zoning to the west near Mur-Len Road. Kim Hollingsworth, Senior Planner, noted that there is another area zoned CP-2 further west on $175^{\text {th }}$ Street, adding that the Comprehensive Plan is designed to have small neighborhood centers along major arterial roads.

Vice Chair Rinke asked if there are any other areas along $175^{\text {th }}$ Street that would be available for big-box commercial/retail development. Ms. Hollingsworth said there is another community commercial center in the $175^{\text {th }}$ and Mur-Len vicinity reflected on the Comprehensive Plan.

Comm. Corcoran expressed concern about the setbacks and buffers and believes those issues should be addressed before this plan is approved. Ms. Hollingsworth stated that staff will be very cognizant of the buffer and access alignment on the revised preliminary development plan for the commercial development.

Motion to recommend RZ19-0013 for approval was made by Comm. Fry and seconded by Vice Chair Rinke, for the following reasons:
(1) The proposed development complies with the policies and goals of the Comprehensive Plan for Housing and Neighborhoods (Principles HN-3.1, LUCC-7.1 and LUCC-8.1).
(2) The requested rezoning to the R-1 district meets the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) criteria for considering zoning applications, with exceptions to certain UDO requirements as noted in the waiver requests.
(3) The proposed development as stipulated meets composite design standards for Site Design Category 1 (UDO 18.15.105) and Building Design Category A (UDO 18.15.025).

Comm. Fry's motion included recommending that the following stipulations be included in the ordinance:
(1) A waiver shall be granted to permit minimum five (5) foot side yard setbacks.
(2) A waiver shall be granted to permit a landscape buffer Type 4A adjacent to the commercial zoned property to the south with a minimum 6-foot berm used towards the 9 -foot berm/fencing requirement.

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(3) All lots shall be subject to Building Design Category A standards per UDO Section 18.15.025.

Comm. Fry's motion included recommending that the following stipulations be addressed with the final plat:
(1) A note shall be included on the final plat stating that all mechanical equipment shall be screened per UDO requirements.
(2) A note shall be added to the final plat stating that all homes built within this development are subject to Building Design Category A requirements.
(3) A master landscape and street tree plan in accordance with Section 18.30.130 of the UDO shall be submitted with the final plat.
(4) A final plat shall be approved and recorded, and all excise fees paid prior to issuance of a building permit.

Aye: Rinke, Fry, Vakas (3)
No: $\quad$ Freeman and Corcoran (2)
Motion was approved 3-2.

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## MINUTES - Other Matters

Planning Commission Meeting: August 26, 2019

Chair Vakas announced that tonight is Vice Chair Mike Rinke's last meeting, having served on the Planning Commission for 10 years. Chair Vakas thanked him for his service.

The next Planning Commission is scheduled for Monday, September 9, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.
There were no other announcements.
Meeting adjourned.

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## STAFF REPORT

Planning Commission Meeting: September 9, 2019

| Application: |  | RZ19-0012: Rezoning from R-1, RP-1, RP-4, and CTY A to R-1 District and preliminary plat for Prairie Canyon |  |  |  |  |
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| Location: |  | Southwest of the intersection of College Boulevard and K-7 |  |  |  |  |
| Owner: |  | Trust of Sandra G. Mitchell; West Olathe, LLC |  |  |  |  |
| Applicant: |  | Frank Dean, Prime Land Development Company |  |  |  |  |
| Engineer: |  | David Rinne, PS; Schlagel \& Associates, P.A. |  |  |  |  |
| Staff Contact: |  | Sean Pendley, Senior Planner |  |  |  |  |
| Site Area: |  | 73.19 $\pm$ acres $\quad$ P |  | osed Use: | Single-Family Residential |  |
| Lots: |  | 142 P |  |  | Unplatted |  |
| Density: |  | 1.94 units per acre $\quad$ P |  | osed Zoning: | R-1 |  |
| Tracts: |  | $\underline{9}$ |  | ent Zoning: | R-1, RP-1, RP-4, CTY A |  |
| Plan Olathe Land Use Category |  |  | Existing Use | Current Zoning | Site Design Category | Building Design Category |
| Site | Primary Greenway/Urban Mixed Use Center |  | Vacant | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{R}-1, \mathrm{RP}-1 \\ & \mathrm{RP}-4, \mathrm{CTY} \text { A } \end{aligned}$ | 1 | N/A |
| North | Primary Greenway/ Urban Mixed Use Center |  | Vacant | RP-3 | - | - |
| South | Primary Greenway/ Urban Mixed Use Center |  | Single Family (Timberstone Ridge) | R-1 | - | - |
| East | Urban Mixed Use Center |  | Vacant | R-1, RP-3, R-3 | - | - |
| West | Conventional Neighborhood |  | Single Family (Southglen) | RP-1 | - | - |

## 1. Proposal:

The applicant is requesting a rezoning from $\mathrm{R}-1, \mathrm{RP}-1, \mathrm{RP}-4$, and CTY A to the $\mathrm{R}-1$ (Residential Single Family) District and a preliminary plat for Prairie Canyon. The subject property is located south and west of the intersection College Boulevard and K-7 Highway. The proposed rezoning to $\mathrm{R}-1$ district will combine various residential zoning districts that were never developed and include property currently zoned County A (Agricultural). According to the applicant, the estimated value for the new single-family homes is estimated to be in the range of $\$ 500,000$ to $\$ 600,000$.

The proposed development consists of a single-family residential subdivision on 142 lots with 9 common tracts. The developer has also submitted a companion development for twin villas immediately to the east identified as RZ19-0014 which is also on this agenda for consideration.

## 2. History:

Approximately 31 acres of the southern portion of the property was zoned RP-1 district in 2003. This rezoning (RZ-16-02) included a conceptual neighborhood design for Southglen of Cedar Creek, Phase 2, which was comprised of single family lots. The majority of the remaining property were zoned R-1 in 1990 (RZ-08-90) and a conceptual plan was submitted with this rezoning showing single-family lots in this area.


Current Zoning Map
Approximately $2.31 \pm$ acres of the subject property were rezoned to RP-4 in 2003 (RZ-1403) and included a preliminary site development plan for College West Apartments. Just
under 4 acres of the subject property remained under County zoning since annexation in 1989.

## 3. Existing Conditions/ Site Photos:

The site is currently undeveloped and consists of rolling terrain with native trees throughout the property. Cedar Creek is located along the south plat boundary.


Aerial view of subject property

## 4. Neighborhood Meeting/Public Notice:

The applicant held a neighborhood meeting on July 30, 2019 (see attached minutes) and twenty-seven (27) residents attended. Main topics of discussion included proposed greenspaces and trails, street connectivity, project timeline, and future uses along College Boulevard. The neighborhood meeting minutes are included in the Planning Commission packet.

The applicant mailed the required public notification letters to surrounding properties within 200 feet and posted signs on the subject property per Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) requirements. Since the application was continued from the August $26^{\text {th }}$ Planning Commission meeting at the applicant's request, new signs have been posted on the site and letters notifying citizens within 200 feet of the new Planning Commission meeting date have been mailed, per UDO requirements.


View of site looking east from W. 113 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ Terrace

Staff has received one letter, which is included within this packet, from neighboring residents. These citizens have expressed concern with the proposed single-family neighborhood connecting to the Southglen neighborhood in three locations, despite the neighborhoods not being affiliated. The citizens expressed additional concerns regarding traffic and construction from the proposed neighborhood as well.

Staff has received one phone call from another citizen who wanted to gather more information on how the proposed subdivision would affect his property and the trail on the east side of Southglen and where the proposed lots would be in relation to their lot. Staff provided the citizen with the information requested and the citizen did not express support or opposition of the proposal.

## 5. Zoning Requirements:

a. Lot Dimensions - The minimum lot width in the R-1 district is 60 feet, and the minimum lot size is 7,200 square feet. All lots in the proposed development meet or exceed the minimum 60-foot lot width requirement, and the smallest lot in the proposed development is 7,992 square feet. The average lot size in this proposed subdivision is 10,827 square feet. The proposed lots also comply with the transitional lot standards, by including open space buffers and parcel size matching, per UDO Requirements.
b. Building Height - The maximum building height for residential buildings in R-1 districts are $21 / 2$ stories or 35 feet.
c. Setbacks - Setbacks in the R-1 District are as follows: Front Yard - 30 feet, Side Yards - 7 feet, and Rear Yards - 25 feet. The proposed development is requesting a
waiver to allow a reduction in the front yard setback from 30 feet to 20 feet. Analysis of this waiver request can be found in Section 8 of this report.

## 6. Streets/ Right-of-way:

All lots within the proposed subdivision will have access from new local streets. The road network for the proposed subdivision will have four (4) connections from existing roads: College Boulevard to the north, and $112^{\text {th }}$ Terrace, $113^{\text {th }}$ Terrace and $115^{\text {th }}$ Terrace to the west. The street connections to the existing neighborhood in Southglen of Cedar Creek provide a well connected street network and improve opportunities for access and traffic circulation per Unified Development Ordinance requirements. According to (UDO) 18.30.220, "Local street patterns may discourage through traffic but should also include interconnecting streets with alternative routes throughout the neighborhood to diffuse automobile traffic and shorten walking distances". The streets in the Southglen neighborhood were constructed with the intent that they would one day be extended, which is why they are currently street stubs rather than cul-de-sacs.

Each cul-de-sac in the proposed subdivision will have a landscape tract in it that will have a street easement. The proposed development meets UDO requirements for public right-of-way and cul-de-sac size.

## 7. Sidewalks/Trails:

The preliminary plat identifies private trails within Tract C. The City of Olathe also has plans for a future public trail in the stream corridor along the south plat boundary. The final plat will include a Public Recreation Easement (PR/E) to allow construction of the future public trail. The exact location of the trail and specific easements will be determined at the time of construction for the trail.

## 8. Landscaping/ Tree Preservation:

The applicant has provided a preliminary landscape plan depicting the location of street trees along the residential streets. Street trees are required with an average spacing of 40 linear feet, with at least one tree per lot in residential districts. Single family homes require a minimum of three (3) trees on each lot.

A landscape buffer is not required adjacent to the existing residential properties, however, staff recommends that the required interior lot trees for some of the proposed single family lots be located in the rear yard to provide landscaping in the rear yards where existing trees will be removed or there is no existing vegetation.

There are existing trees throughout the southern area of the site. The applicant is showing tree preservation in Tract C, adjacent to the Southglen subdivision, and within the stream corridor for Cedar Creek.
9. Waivers:

The applicant is requesting a waiver from Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) requirements to reduce the front yard setback in the R-1 District from 30 feet to 20 feet. The primary reason for the waiver request is to provide additional tree preservation areas in the rear yards and open space tracts with steep grades and along existing residential properties. The applicant's waiver request letter is included within this packet.

## Staff Analysis:

Staff has reviewed the request and is supportive due to the proposal meeting criteria for waivers found in UDO Section 18.40.240.E for the following reasons:

The proposed 20 -foot front yard setback is appropriate for the proposed single family subdivision since the development will provide a higher quality site design with additional tree preservation areas and natural buffers along adjacent residential properties. Similar reduced side yard setbacks have been approved for other single-family developments within Cedar Creek. The 20 -foot front yard setback does not create any negative impacts for the lots or streets and is consistent with other single family plats in Cedar Creek.

## 10. Zoning/ Land Use Analysis:

The future land use map of the Comprehensive Plan identifies the subject property as "Primary Greenway" and "Urban Mixed Use Center". The intent for the Urban Mixed Use Center is to allow a variety of residential and non-residential development in areas close to regional traffic networks. Primary Greenways are designated in areas with streams, floodways and open space that are appropriate for expansion of regional trail systems.

The following are criteria for considering rezoning applications as listed in Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) Section 18.40.090.G.

## A. The conformance of the proposed use to the Comprehensive Plan and other adopted planning policies.

The proposed R-1 zoning and single family residential development is appropriate for the subject property since it will allow a good transitional land use from the existing single family neighborhoods to the west, multi-family zoning districts to the east, and commercial zoning to the north along College Boulevard. In addition, a public recreation easement is provided within the open space tracts to allow a future public trail within the Primary Greenway. The residential development complies with other goals and principles of the Comprehensive Plan.

- Principle ESR-1: "Protect and preserve significant natural ecological systems".
- Principle LUCC-6: Discourage Sprawl. "Discourage "leap-frog" or sprawling land use patterns by encouraging growth in serviceable areas. Promote the infill of vacant parcels and reinvestment in buildable areas."

The proposed development plan includes tree preservation, stormwater quality and landscape buffers to preserve natural features and minimize negative impacts with new development.
B. The character of the neighborhood including but not limited to: land use, zoning, density (residential), architectural style, building materials, height, structural mass, siting, open space and floor-to-area ratio (commercial and industrial).

The properties adjacent to the west is developed with an existing single-family residential neighborhood (Southglen of Cedar Creek). The adjacent property to the south was rezoned and platted in 2017 to allow single-family residential development. Staff finds the proposal to be compatible with the character of the existing neighborhood. The proposed use for single family residential with a density below 2
units per acre is consistent with the adjacent neighborhoods and follows the transitional lot standards per UDO requirements.
C. The zoning and uses of nearby properties, and the extent to which the proposed use would be in harmony with such zoning and uses.

The zoning of surrounding properties includes a mix of several residential districts including R-1, RP-1, and RP-4. The proposed R-1 zoning and single-family residential development is compatible with surrounding development of a single-family neighborhoods to the south and west. Single family lots are the most appropriate land use in this location and the proposed lot sizes meet the required transitional lot standards.

## D. The suitability of the property for the uses to which it has been restricted under the applicable zoning district regulations.

The portion of the site that retains R-1 and RP-1 zoning would currently allow for the development of single-family homes and the RP-4 zoning would allow for multifamily or single family homes at a higher density than what is proposed with this rezoning. The applicant is proposing a development with 142 lots, thus lessening the impact on the local road network and the existing surrounding neighborhood.

Development of single family homes on the subject property is the most appropriate use for the subject property due to its location adjacent to existing single-family residential development. The general pattern of development in this area is conventional neighborhoods with single family homes. The location of the proposed single family homes will provide a transition from the existing single family homes to the west and current RP-4 zoning to the east of the subject property.

## E. The length of time the property has been vacant as zoned.

The subject property has never been developed, despite part of the property being rezoned to the R-1 District in 1990 and parts being rezoned to RP-1 and RP-4 in 2003.
F. The extent to which approval of the application would detrimentally affect nearby properties.

The proposed development of a single-family residential neighborhood includes natural buffers to minimize impacts on surrounding properties and there will have no detrimental effects on surrounding properties.

## G. The extent to which the proposed use would adversely affect the capacity or safety of that portion of the road network influenced by the use, or present parking problems in the vicinity of the property.

The proposed subdivision includes a new pubic street connection to College Boulevard and additional trips generated by the proposed single family residential development will not adversely affect capacity or safety of the applicable road network.
H. The extent to which the proposed use would create air pollution, water pollution, noise pollution or other environmental harm.

The proposed development includes one tract to be used for stormwater management, which will include a stormwater management feature. The proposed development will comply with the requirements of Title 17 of the Olathe Municipal Code.
I. The economic impact of the proposed use on the community.

The proposed development would provide an increase in property tax revenues for the City as a result of new homes with high property values.
J. The gain, if any, to the public health, safety and welfare due to the denial of the application as compared to the hardship imposed upon the landowner, if any, as a result of denial of the application.

The proposed rezoning to R-1 does not pose a threat to the public health, safety and welfare. There have been previous proposals for single-family and multifamily residential development on the subject property but the property has never been developed. Denial of this application could be considered a hardship to the property owner.

## 11. Staff Recommendation:

A. Staff recommends approval of RZ19-0012 for the following reasons:

1. The proposed development complies with the policies and goals of the Comprehensive Plan for Environmental Sustainability and Land Use (Principles ESR-1 and LUCC-6).
2. The requested rezoning to R-1 district meets the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) criteria for considering zoning applications.
B. Staff recommends approval of the rezoning to the R-1 district with the following stipulation to be included in the zoning ordinance:
3. A waiver is granted to permit minimum twenty (20) foot front yard setbacks.
C. The following stipulations apply to the preliminary plat for the $\mathrm{R}-1$ district:
4. A final plat must be approved and recorded prior to issuance of building permits.
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August 5, 2019
Zachary Moore
City of Olathe Planning
100 E. Santa Fe
Olathe, KS 66061
Dear Zach:
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We appreciate your review of this waiver request. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,
SCHLAGEL \& ASSOCIATES, P.A.


David A. Rinne, PS
President

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## Prairie Canyon Neighborhood Meeting Minutes

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A. - It was never intended for the ground to forever remain vacant. The market is good, and there is demand for this type of project/product. Yes, there will be substantial grading and earthwork on the site to make ready for new home construction. Goal is to leave as much undisturbed as possible however development does require disturbing the ground to put in improvements.
Q. - When was this first presented to the City?
A. - This was presented to the City last month.
Q. - What is the HOA? Will it be part of Cedar Creek?
A. - No, Prairie Canyon's HOA will not be part of Cedar Creek. It will be it's own Association.
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A. - No. Public hearing is scheduled for next month at Planning Commission. - Adjacent owners will be mailed a certified letter with details of upcoming hearing. If approved at Planning Commission, project will then be presented to City Council for approval.
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A. - If all processes/approvals move forward with minimal delays, we would be lucky to start sewers before the end of 2019. Most likely development would begin early 2020.
Q. - Owner at 23985 W. $112^{\text {th }}$ Terr - Why is there no buffer between his home and Prairie Canyon project, like provided on other abutting properties? Concerns for losing trees/natural barrier. Are there req. for removing trees?
A. - Abutting lot is one of the largest/deepest lots in the development, and trees are marketable. Unlikely that builder would chose to remove, and nearby sewer work is not anticipated to disturb current trees/natural barrier. Trees larger than 6" caliber require developer approvals.
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A. - No walking trails will connect between Prairie Canyon and Southglen. Prairie Canyon trail is planned for interior corridor of project.
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Q. - Does Clay already own the ground where Prairie Canyon is being proposed?
A. - Yes, Clay and a Partner have owned the ground for the past 20 years.


## TO:

 Olathe Planning CommissionFROM: Matt and Angie Wry<br>11485 S Gleason Rd<br>Olathe, KS 66061

## DATE: $\quad$ August 5, 2019

## SUBJECT: Zoning App \# RZ19-0012: Proposed Prairie Canyon New Construction 1) Official Complaint/Appeal of proposed new neighborhood Prairie Canyon 2) Official Complaint/Appeal of proposed $115^{\text {th }}$ Terr. In Woods of Southglen road connection to Prairie Canyon

Since Prairie Canyon is proposed to be stand-alone neighborhood and has no affiliation whatsoever with Cedar Creek, why are 3 roads within Southglen and The Woods of Southglen being extended to connect to the new Prairie Canyon? The developer in the initial meeting on July 30 said this was a "city requirement" and we would like to officially appeal that decision.

Cedar Creek is touted as a luxury, resort-style neighborhood and the addition of smaller, maintenance provided housing directly behind us on proposed connecting streets is a major concern for residents who currently live in Cedar Creek. Personally, we will be greatly affected with this proposed additional neighborhood as our home sits on the corner of $115^{\text {th }}$ Terr and Gleason, which is a road that is proposed to connect to the new addition.

Based on the plans, the proposed Prairie Canyon has only 1 entrance off of College Blvd but has $\underline{3}$ connection streets within Southglen, even though the neighborhoods are not affiliated in any way. This extra traffic and construction bring major concerns to us and fellow neighbors and will negatively impact the quiet lifestyle we have come to love in The Woods of Southglen. We bought our home a year ago since it backed up to woods and is on a cul-de-sac...all of which are at risk as the developer plans to eliminate $70 \%$ of the trees, per his letter provided at the meeting, and the road on the side of our home would be extended into new neighborhood.

Please accept this letter as a formal complaint and appeal request to block the approval of the proposed neighborhood of Prairie -Canyon from being built.

This letter shall also serve as a formal complaint and appeal request to deny the extension of 3 roads within Southglen, specifically $115^{\text {th }}$ Terr., to connect to the proposed new neighborhood, which are not affiliated in any way.

Sincerely,


Matt and Angie Wry
913-957-0374

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## STAFF REPORT

Planning Commission Meeting: September 9, 2019


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The applicant is requesting a rezoning from R-1, RP-4, and CTY A to R-2 (Residential Two Family) District and a related preliminary site development plan for Prairie Canyon. The subject property is located south and west of the intersection College Boulevard and K-7 Highway. The proposed rezoning to R-2 is required to allow the subdivision of land into lots for single-family homes and attached villa units on the subject property. The estimated value for the new twin villas is estimated to be in the range of $\$ 400,000$ to $\$ 450,000$ per unit.

The proposed development consists of a subdivision with 56 dwelling units and 4 common tracts. There is a related rezoning application for R-1 District (RZ19-0012) and preliminary plat for single family lots in Prairie Canyon immediately west of the subject property.

## 2. History:

The subject property is currently zoned under three different zoning categories: the western portion of the property is currently zoned $\mathrm{R}-1$, the center portion of the property is zoned CTY A, and the northern and eastern portions of the property are currently zoned RP-4. The portion of the property that is zoned R-1 was rezoned in 1990 (RZ-08-90) and showed a conceptual plan with single-family homes in this area. The portion of the property that is zoned CTY A was previously proposed to be rezoned to the R-3 District in 1990, to allow for an apartment development at a density of 12.4 units per acre. Lastly, the portion of the property that is zoned RP-4 was included as part of the College West Apartments rezoning in 2003, which included a preliminary site development plan which showed mostly open space in this area.


Current Zoning Map

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## 3. Existing Conditions/ Site Photos:

The site is currently undeveloped and there is native vegetation along the western slope of the property.


View of site looking west from K-7 Highway


Aerial view of subject property

## 4. Neighborhood Meeting/Public Notice:

The applicant held a neighborhood meeting on July 30, 2019 (see attached minutes) and twenty-seven (27) residents attended. Main topics of discussion included proposed greenspaces and trails, street connectivity, project timeline, and future uses along College Boulevard. The neighborhood meeting minutes are included in the Planning Commission packet.

The applicant mailed the required public notification letters to surrounding properties within 200 feet and posted signs on the subject property per Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) requirements. Since the application was continued from the August $26^{\text {th }}$ Planning Commission meeting at the applicant's request, new signs have been posted on the site and letters notifying citizens within 200 feet of the new Planning Commission meeting date have been mailed, per UDO requirements.

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a. Lot Dimensions - The minimum lot width for the R-2 district is 40 feet and minimum lot area is 2,500 square feet. All lots in the proposed development meet or exceed the minimum 40-foot lot width requirement, and the smallest lot in the proposed R-2 development is 6,769 square feet. The average lot size in this proposed subdivision is 8,500 square feet.
b. Building Height - The maximum building height for residential buildings in R-2 districts are $21 / 2$ stories or 35 feet.
c. Setbacks - Setbacks in the R-2 District are as follows: Front Yard - 20 feet, Side Yards - 7 feet, and Rear Yards - 15 feet. The proposed development complies with the minimum yard setbacks for R-2 districts.

## 6. Streets/Right-of-way:

All lots within the proposed subdivision will have access from new local streets. The road network for the proposed subdivision will have access to the west from a proposed extension of Valley Parkway to the west, as it extends south from College Boulevard to the north.

A future collector roadway will be required to be constructed to the east of the subdivision for this twin villa subdivision. An agreement for construction of this roadway must be in place with a copy provided to the City prior to recording the plat for any land adjacent to the collector roadway. Each cul-de-sac in the proposed subdivision will have a landscape tract in it that will have a street easement over it. The proposed development meets UDO requirements for public right-of-way and cul-de-sac size.

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The preliminary plat show sidewalks on one side of the streets which is typical for single family residential development. Sidewalks are required on both sides of streets in R-2 developments per UDO requirements. Since some of the lots have rear yards facing local streets, sidewalks should only be required on both sides of the cul-de-sacs where there are front yards on both sides of the streets.

The City of Olathe also has plans for a future public trail in the stream corridor along the south plat boundary. The final plat will include a Public Recreation Easement (PR/E) to allow construction of the future public trail. The exact location of the trail and specific easements will be determined at the time of construction for the trail.

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The applicant has provided a preliminary landscape plan depicting the location of street trees along Tallgrass Drive. A 15 -foot landscape buffer is provided along the northern property line, adjacent to the right-of-way for W. $124^{\text {th }}$ Street, as required for residential properties adjacent to collector street right-of-way. This landscape buffer will be provided in common tracts so as to not interfere with individual lots.

A landscape buffer is not required adjacent to the existing residential properties, however, staff recommends that the required interior lot trees for the proposed single family lots be located in the rear yard to provide some landscaping in the rear where there are some existing trees and overgrown native vegetation that will be removed during grading and the installation of utilities.

## 9. Building Design Standards:

The single family homes below 7,200 square feet in area and the two-family homes in the R-2 district are subject to Building Design Category A according to UDO 18.15.025.

The villas consist of two building types and both designs have front and side facing garages. The primary building materials consist of stucco, stone and glass on the primary facades and a combination of stucco and "Smart Panel" composite siding and glass on the secondary facades.

The following is an analysis of the building design Category A requirements and proposed design.

| Composite Building <br> Design (Category A) | Proposed Design |
| :--- | :--- |
| Front-Facing Entry on <br> Primary Facade | The single family and two-family homes include front <br> porches or stoops with gable roofs. |
| Garages Subordinate <br> to Primary Facade | The attached villas include front and side facing garages. <br> The garages are also less than 50\% of the width of <br> individual units. |
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Front Entry Element - The buildings include porches on the first floor and covered entries. Additional architectural details are provided including dormer windows, shutters, standing seam metal roofs and decorative wood brackets.

Building Materials - The applicant provided building material percentages for the primary facades (front elevations) as required for Category A Building Design standards. The primary facades exceed the required percentage of Category 1 building materials.

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The future land use map of the Comprehensive Plan identifies the subject property as "Primary Greenway" and "Urban Mixed Use Center". The intent for the Urban Mixed Use Center is to allow a variety of residential and non-residential development in areas close to regional traffic networks. The proposed R-2 zoning and single-family and two-family residential development is appropriate for this area adjacent to surrounding residential neighborhoods and close proximity to multi-family and commercial zoning along College Boulevard and K-7 Highway. The R-2 zoning will provide a transition from existing and proposed single-family development to the west and higher density residential zoning to the east.

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The zoning of surrounding properties includes a mix of several residential districts including R-1, RP-1, and RP-4. The proposed R-2 zoning and attached villas are compatible with adjacent zoning and residential uses.

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The portion of the site that retains R-1 and RP-1 zoning would currently allow for the development of single-family homes and the RP-4 zoning would allow for multifamily or single family homes at a higher density than what is proposed with this rezoning. The applicant is proposing a development with 56 lots with attached and detached single family homes.

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The proposed development of a two-family residential neighborhood will have no detrimental effect on surrounding properties.

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Q. - Will cows stay?
A. - They will be retiring this year.
Q. - Are there any rules/restrictions for removing trees along the hills and/or Property Line adjacent to the Woods of Southglenn?
A. - Typical clearing is 90 ft from back of curb, then builder to determine if more clearing is necessary for home construction. Developer to review additional clearing requests, with typical restrictions of tree
calibers of 6 " or larger needing approval prior to removal. Desire to save as many trees around perimeter and interior as possible - trees are marketable and increase lot/project value and beauty.
Q. - Plan says $30 \%$ of project is reserved for greenspace, so does that mean you will tear up/strip down $70 \%$ of the ground? We bought home ( 11485 S . Gleason Rd.) because of vacant ground and cows - was told no plans for future development. Why develop now?
A. - It was never intended for the ground to forever remain vacant. The market is good, and there is demand for this type of project/product. Yes, there will be substantial grading and earthwork on the site to make ready for new home construction. Goal is to leave as much undisturbed as possible however development does require disturbing the ground to put in improvements.
Q. - When was this first presented to the City?
A. - This was presented to the City last month.
Q. - What is the HOA? Will it be part of Cedar Creek?
A. - No, Prairie Canyon's HOA will not be part of Cedar Creek. It will be it's own Association.
Q. - Is the project approved?
A. - No. Public hearing is scheduled for next month at Planning Commission. - Adjacent owners will be mailed a certified letter with details of upcoming hearing. If approved at Planning Commission, project will then be presented to City Council for approval.
Q. - When could this project realistically get started?
A. - If all processes/approvals move forward with minimal delays, we would be lucky to start sewers before the end of 2019. Most likely development would begin early 2020.
Q. - Owner at 23985 W. $112^{\text {th }}$ Terr - Why is there no buffer between his home and Prairie Canyon project, like provided on other abutting properties? Concerns for losing trees/natural barrier. Are there req. for removing trees?
A. - Abutting lot is one of the largest/deepest lots in the development, and trees are marketable. Unlikely that builder would chose to remove, and nearby sewer work is not anticipated to disturb current trees/natural barrier. Trees larger than 6 " caliber require developer approvals.
Q. - What is the typical size of proposed lots?
A. - Lots are anticipated to average around .25 acres ( $\sim 70-75 \mathrm{ft}$ wide by $\sim 125+\mathrm{ft}$ depth).
Q. - What is the project timeline?
A. - It depends on the market, but anticipating breaking ground in 2020 if market remains. Plan to build in phases - possibly start phase in all 3 types of development (larger SF, detached villas, attached villas) - depends on market.
Q. - Will sewers all be put in at once?
A. - It depends on where the sewer is brought up from and if it makes sense to build out additional areas when bringing sewer to site.
Q. - Will walking trails connect?
A. - No walking trails will connect between Prairie Canyon and Southglen. Prairie Canyon trail is planned for interior corridor of project.
Q. - Will the walking trail above $113^{\text {th }}$ Street stay?
A. - Yes, trail is not ours - belongs to Cedar Creek Association - and is in common area.
Q. - What is the plan for the east stub on College Blvd. and ground?
A. - Collector street is planned to connect from College Blvd. to $119^{\text {th }}$ Street - paralleling K-7. Controversial connection. Apartments are planned for the ground east/southeast of Prairie Canyon project.
Q. - Does Clay already own the ground where Prairie Canyon is being proposed?
A. - Yes, Clay and a Partner have owned the ground for the past 20 years.

