

# REPORT TO CITY PLAN COMMISSION

**Plan Commission Meeting Date:** June 13, 2017

**Common Council Meeting Date:** July 19, 2017

**Item:** Preliminary Plat – Fourth Addition to Emerald Valley

Case Manager: Don Harp

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Owner/Applicant: Robert DeBruin, Emerald Valley Estates, LLC – owner/applicant

Address/Parcel #: Providence Avenue / Part of 31-1-7600-00

**Petitioner's Request:** The owner/applicant is proposing to subdivide property under a multi-phased approach.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Final Plat for the Third Addition to Emerald Valley consisting of 11 residential lots was approved by the Common Council on May 3, 2017.

The Final Plat for the Second Addition to Emerald Valley consisting of 28 residential lots was approved by the Common Council on September 17, 2014.

The Final Plat for the First Addition to Emerald Valley consisting of 3 residential lots was approved by the Common Council on June 2, 2010.

The Final Plat for Emerald Valley consisting of 50 residential lots was approved by the Common Council on June 6, 2007.

The subject property was annexed to the City in 2004 as part of the French Road Annexation, and a zoning classification of AG Agricultural District was assigned at that time. In 2005, a preliminary plat had been submitted for the overall property, which called for the creation of a total of 252 residential lots.

## **STAFF ANALYSIS**

**Existing Conditions:** The portion of the lot to be subdivided is currently undeveloped and zoned AG Agricultural District. Rezoning #3-17 for subject site is also being presented at this June 13, 2017 Plan Commission meeting to rezone the site from AG to R-1B. The 5.416 acre area will be divided into fifteen (15) single family lots.

**Zoning Ordinance Review Criteria:** R-1B lot development standards (Section 23-93) are as follows:

• Minimum lot area: Six thousand (6,000) square feet.

- o The proposed average lots size is 13,000 square feet. All lots exceed this requirement.
- Minimum lot width: Fifty (50) feet.
  - The proposed lots average lot width is 98 feet. All lots exceed this requirement.
- Minimum front, side and rear yard setbacks: Twenty (20) foot front yard, Six (6) foot side yard, and Twenty-five (25) foot rear yard.
  - Required front yard setback had been shown on the Preliminary Plat. Required setbacks will be reviewed through the building permit review process.
- Maximum building height: Thirty-five (35) feet.
  - o This will be reviewed through the building permit review process.
- Maximum lot coverage. Fifty percent (50%).
  - This will be reviewed through the building permit review process.

**Compliance with the Appleton Subdivision Regulations:** This subdivision complies with the Appleton Subdivision Regulations, and no variances have been requested.

**Access and Traffic:** The primary vehicular access to this phase is via French Road and Providence Avenue, which connects Aquamarine Avenue to Amethyst Drive and Bluetopaz Drive to Amethyst Drive. The full 60 foot road right-of-way for width of Amethyst Drive will be dedicated to the City with the Final Plat.

**Surrounding Zoning and Land Uses:** The surrounding area is under the jurisdiction of the City of Appleton (north, south, east and west). The uses are generally residential and agricultural in nature.

**2010-2030** Comprehensive Plan: Community Development staff has reviewed this proposed subdivision and determined it is compatible with the One and Two-Family Residential uses shown on the City's 2010-2030 Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map.

**Parks and Open Space:** The Appleton Subdivision Regulations do require parkland dedication or fee in lieu for residential subdivisions. The parkland fees pursuant to Chapter 17 of the Appleton Municipal Code have been waived in exchange for parkland as illustrated in the current Emerald Valley Development Agreement.

**Technical Review Group Report (TRG):** This item was discussed at the May 23, 2017 Technical Review Group Report meeting.

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## **Department of Public Works Comments:**

• A Development Agreement will be required as part of the Final Platting process.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Fourth Addition to Emerald Valley Preliminary Plat, **BE APPROVED** subject to the following conditions and as shown on the attached maps:

- 1. The owner/applicant shall submit to the City the Final Plat within 36 months after the last required approval of the Preliminary Plat. If the Final Plat is not submitted within said 36 months, the City (and any other approving authority) may refuse to approve the Final Plat and shall recommence the procedure for Preliminary Plat approval or may extend the time for submission of the Final Plat.
- 2. The owner/applicant shall submit to the City Engineering Division for review and approval information showing how storm sewer/drainage will be developed to accommodate the proposed phasing, prior to City signatures being affixed to the Final Plat.
- 3. All easements, including but not limited to, storm sewers, utility, and drainage shall be shown on the Final Plat to the satisfaction of the City Engineer.
- 4. All easements, including but not limited to, storm sewers, utility, and drainage that are required by separate document outside of the boundaries of the Final Plat shall be reviewed and approved by the City Engineer prior to City signatures being affixed by the Final Plat.
- 5. A Development Agreement being made and entered into by and between the City of Appleton and the applicant/owner, and any amendments related thereto, prior to the issuance of any permit to commence construction of any public improvement.
- 6. The Preliminary Plat and Rezoning #3-17 being acted on at the same Common Council meeting.







