

Memorandum September 9, 2021

TO: Planning and Zoning Commission

Julie Couch, Town Manager

FROM: Israel Roberts, AICP

Planning Manager

SUBJECT: REGULATING PLAN WITH A MAJOR WARRANT FOR A TOWNHOME

DEVELOPMENT

BACKGROUND: This is a request for approval of a major warrant on a regulating plan (concept plan) for the potential development of a townhome project. The 15.2-acre sites are generally located on both sides of Fairview Parkway, north of the Fairview Village Road/Latham Drive intersection and is zoned for the (CPDD) Commercial Planned Development District with the Urban Village Sub-district. Applicant: Justin Cooley, Range Water Development LLC representing Travis Parker Associates, LTD.

The purpose of this application is to request a major warrant regarding the built-to-zone (BTZ) requirements of the Urban Village sub-district as outlined by the (CPDD) Commercial Planned Development District along Fairview Parkway. Within the Urban Village sub-district, the built-to-zones are measured from the back-of-curb. Per code, the Townhome 2 design standards require that the front facade of each townhome be within 18-26 feet of the back-of-curb of Fairview Parkway.

STATUS OF ISSUE: In this case, Fairview Parkway was designed and constructed by the town, before the adoption of this version of the CPDD. Within the CPDD, each street has an adopted street section. The adopted cross section for Fairview Parkway features 117 feet of right-of-way (ROW) with four (4) travel lanes and a center median. Due to this design, the section reflects approximately 26-27.5 feet of parkway area (portion of the street located from the back of curb to the edge of the ROW). Additionally, the existing ROW width for this portion of Fairview Park is 120 feet wide, three (3) more feet than what is prescribed by the code. The compounded effect of the wider ROW width and the expanded designed parkway area directly conflicts with the BTZ requirements of the Urban Village Sub-district. Therefore, the proposed townhomes cannot meet the BTZ requirements of the code.

To accommodate for this conflict within the code and the existing design of Fairview Parkway, the Regulating Plan requests a revised BTZ of 0-15.5 feet along Fairview Parkway only. The geometry of the requested maximum 15.5' Build-to-line aligns with the code, if the BTZ were measured from the front property line. The requested minimum zero minimum built-to-line gives the design flexibility on the placement of the front facades of the townhome buildings, especially along this portion of Fairview Parkway that is curved (exclusive of any easements and/or infrastructure conflicts).

Consistent with the requirements of the updated CPDD code, the applicant has submitted a regulating plan (concept) for the proposed development. With this application, the applicant is entitled to administrative review for components of the application that conform to the preapproved standards that were adopted with the CPDD.

In instances where the applicant wishes to request a deviation from the pre-approved standards the applicant may do so through the warrant process. The warrant process allows applicants to request Minor Warrants and Major Warrants for deviations from the CPDD standards. Minor Warrants – which are deviations that are deemed to still meet the CPDD vision/intent and are specifically identified in the code – are reviewed administratively by the Staff and Town Manager. Major Warrants – which are deviations that may be perceived as not meeting the CPDD vision/intent – are considered in a similar manner as a zoning change, and as such, public hearings are required before the Planning & Zoning Commission and Town Council.

Major Warrant Requests and Staff Analysis

The applicant's Major Warrant to the BTZ is outline below:

| Item | Requirements | Proposed | Comments |
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| BTZ along | 18-26 feet | 0-15.5' feet | Applicant: The Town of Fairview evaluates the |
| Fairview | back from | from front | build to zone from the back of curb. The |
| Parkway | back-of-curb | property line | existing condition of Fairview Parkway create a condition in which it is impossible to achieve the required build to zone for townhome 2. In order to remedy this, we propose converting the BTZ to a front yard setback for these lots. Dimension has been adjusted to maintain similar lot geometry based on an adjusted baseline. Staff: As noted, Fairview Parkway was constructed by the town without the design standards associated with the CPDD code. The current design (expanded ROW and street |
| | | | section) makes it impossible for any |
| | | | development along this section of Fairview |
| | | | Parkway to meet the BTZ requirements as |
| | | | outlined by the code. |

Public Input

Staff notified 94 adjacent property owners within 500' of the subject properties in accordance with town and state requirements and, thus far, have not received any written feedback.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends **APPROVAL** of the subject major warrants subject to the following conditions:

1. Site shall be development generally in accordance with the attached regulating plan exhibits

ATTACHMENTS:

- Locator
- Exhibits
 - o Regulating Plan



