

MAP AMENDMENT - REZONE (RECOMMEND APPROVAL)

FULLER moved that the following Resolution be adopted:

BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION

OF THE COUNTY OF EL PASO

STATE OF COLORADO

RESOLUTION NO. P-22-010

ROMENS REZONE

WHEREAS, Romens Living Trust did file an application with the El Paso County Planning and Community Development Department for an amendment of the El Paso County Zoning Map to rezone property in the unincorporated area of El Paso County as described in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, from the A-35 (Agricultural) zoning district to the RR-5 (Residential Rural) zoning district; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held by this Commission on March 16, 2023; and

WHEREAS, based on the evidence, testimony, exhibits, consideration of the Master Plan for the unincorporated area of the County, presentation and comments of the El Paso County Planning and Community Development Department and other County representatives, comments of public officials and agencies, comments from all interested persons, comments by the general public, and comments by the El Paso County Planning Commission Members during the hearing, this Commission finds as follows:

1. The application was properly submitted for consideration by the Planning Commission;
2. Proper posting, publication, and public notice were provided as required by law for the hearing before the Planning Commission;
3. The hearing before the Planning Commission was extensive and complete, that all pertinent facts, matters, and issues were submitted and that all interested persons and the general public were heard at that hearing;
4. All exhibits were received into evidence;

5. The proposed land use does not permit the use of an area containing a commercial mineral deposit in a manner which would interfere with the present or future extraction of such deposit by an extractor;
6. All data, surveys, analyses, studies, plans, and designs as are required by the State of Colorado and El Paso County have been submitted, reviewed, and found to meet all sound planning and engineering requirements of the El Paso County Subdivision Regulations; and
7. For the above-stated and other reasons, the proposed amendment of the El Paso County Zoning Map is in the best interest of the health, safety, morals, convenience, order, prosperity, and welfare of the citizens of El Paso County.

WHEREAS, when approving a map amendment, the Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioners shall find that the request meets the criteria for approval outlined in Section 5.3.5.B (Map Amendment, Rezoning) of the El Paso County Land Development Code (2022):

1. The application is in general conformance with the El Paso County Master Plan including applicable Small Area Plans or there has been a substantial change in the character of the neighborhood since the land was last zoned;
2. The rezoning is in compliance with all applicable statutory provisions, including but not limited to C.R.S. § 30-28-111 § 30-28-113, and § 30-28-116;
3. The proposed land use or zone district is compatible with the existing and permitted land uses and zone districts in all directions; and
4. The site is suitable for the intended use, including the ability to meet the standards as described in Chapter 5 of the Land Development Code, for the intended zone district.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the El Paso County Planning Commission recommends that the petition of Romens Living Trust for an amendment to the El Paso County Zoning Map to rezone property located in the unincorporated area of El Paso County from the A-35 (Agricultural) zoning district to the RR-5 (Residential Rural) zoning district be approved by the Board of County Commissioners with the following conditions and notations:

CONDITIONS

1. The developer shall comply with federal and state laws, regulations, ordinances, review and permit requirements, and other agency requirements. Applicable agencies include but are not limited to: the Colorado Parks and Wildlife, Colorado Department of Transportation, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service regarding the Endangered Species Act, particularly as it relates to the Preble's Meadow Jumping Mouse as a listed threatened species.
2. Any future or subsequent development and/or use of the property shall be in accordance with the use, density, and dimensional standards of the RR-5 (Residential Rural) zoning district and with the applicable sections of the Land Development Code and Engineering Criteria Manual.

NOTATIONS

1. If a zone or rezone petition has been disapproved by the Board of County Commissioners, resubmittal of the previously denied petition will not be accepted for a period of one (1) year if it pertains to the same parcel of land and is a petition for a change to the same zone that was previously denied. However, if evidence is presented showing that there has been a substantial change in physical conditions or circumstances, the Planning Commission may reconsider said petition. The time limitation of one (1) year shall be computed from the date of final determination by the Board of County Commissioners or, in the event of court litigation, from the date of the entry of final judgment of any court of record.
2. Rezoning requests not forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners for consideration within 180 days of Planning Commission action will be deemed withdrawn and will have to be resubmitted in their entirety.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution and the recommendations contained herein be forwarded to the El Paso County Board of County Commissioners for its consideration.

SCHUETTPELZ seconded the adoption of the foregoing Resolution.

The roll having been called, the vote was as follows: (circle one)

Brian Risley	aye / no / abstain / absent
Thomas Bailey	aye / no / abstain / absent
Tim Trowbridge	aye / no / abstain / absent
Becky Fuller	aye / no / abstain / absent

Sarah Brittain Jack	aye / no / abstain / absent
Jay Carlson	aye / no / abstain / absent
Eric Moraes	aye / no / abstain / absent
Joshua Patterson	aye / no / abstain / absent
Bryce Schuettpelz	aye / no / abstain / absent
Christopher Whitney	aye / no / abstain / absent
Brandy Merriam	aye / no / abstain / absent

The Resolution was adopted by a vote of 9 to 0 by the Planning Commission of the County of El Paso, State of Colorado.

DONE THIS 16th day of March 2023, at Colorado Springs, Colorado.

EL PASO COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

By: Brian Risley
BRIAN RISLEY, Chair

DATED: March 16, 2023

EXHIBIT A

The Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Township 11 South, Range 64 West, 6th Principal Meridian, County of El Paso, State of Colorado.

Containing a calculated area of 1,591,627 square feet (36.539 acres) of land, more or less.

