# **El Paso County Parks**

# Agenda Item Summary Form

Agenda Item Title: Skyline at Lorson Ranch PUD Development Plan and

Preliminary Plan

Agenda Date: March 10, 2021

Agenda Item Number:

**Presenter:** Ross Williams, Park Planner

Information: Endorsement: X

## **Background Information:**

Request by Lorson, LLC for approval of Skyline at Lorson Ranch PUD Development Plan and Preliminary Plan. The project site is located along the northern edge of the larger Lorson Ranch development and next to the overhead power line corridor.

The site consists of 15.76 acres and includes 85 single-family residential lots on 7.72 acres, open space tracts totaling 3.75 acres, and public rights-of-way totaling 3.58 acres. This site is currently zoned RLM (Residential Low/Medium 4-6 DU/Acre) as illustrated on the Lorson Ranch Minor Sketch Plan Amendment which was approved on April 21, 2016.

Open Space dedications total 3.75 acres, or 23.8% of the project sire which meets the minimum 10% dedication for PUD zoning. This includes tracts along the overhead power line corridor, tracts along Grayling Drive, tracts for site detention, and tract for a proposed neighborhood park along Sora Street.

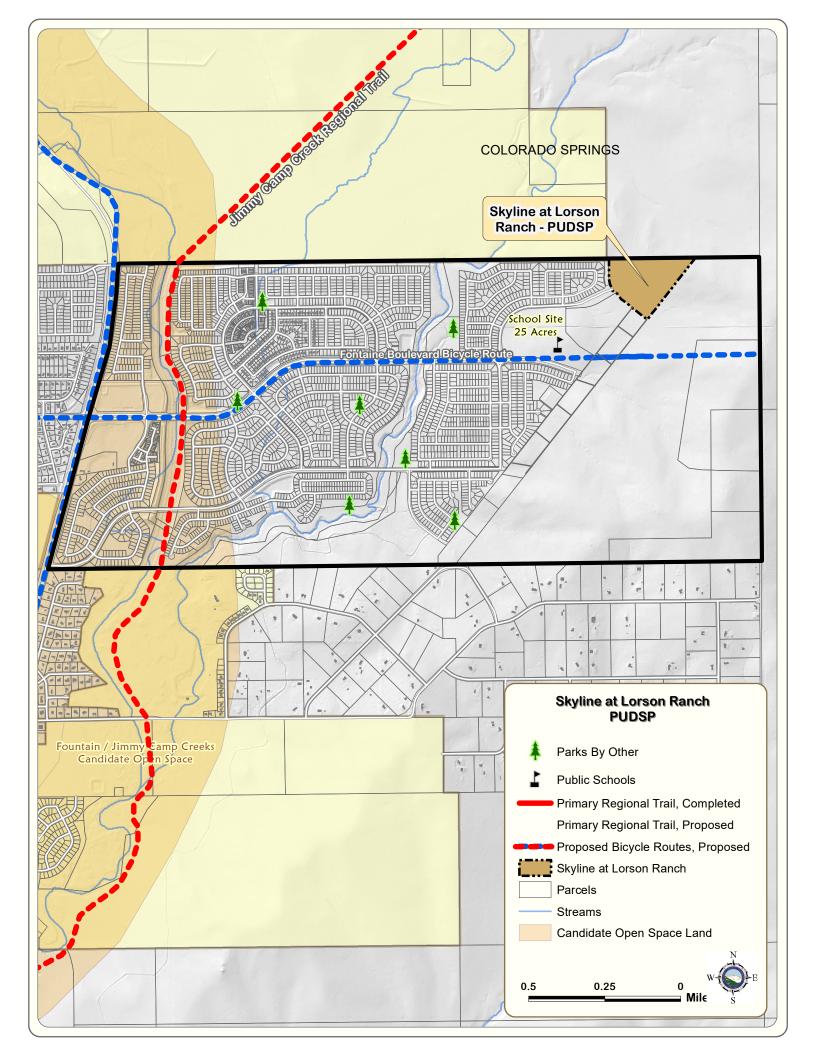
The El Paso County Parks Master Plan shows no County regional trails or bicycle routes within the project area. The Fontaine Blvd Bicycle Route is located 0.38 miles south of the project area and the Jimmy Camp Creek Regional Trail is 1.50 miles west. A non-county trail is located along the adjoining overhead power line corridor which connects to the larger trail network with the Lorson Ranch development.

As no trail easement or park land dedications are required for this application, staff recommends regional and urban park fees in lieu of land dedication for regional or urban park purposes. A park lands agreement may be an acceptable alternative to urban park fees provided the agreement is approved by the County and executed prior to recording of the forthcoming final plat(s).

### **Recommended Motion:**

The Park Advisory Board recommends that the Planning Commission and the Board of County Commissioners include the following conditions when considering and/or

approving Skyline at Lorson Ranch PUD Development Plan and Preliminary Plan: Require fees in lieu of land dedication for regional park purposes in the amount of \$39,100 and urban park purposes in the amount of \$24,650 will be required upon recording of the forthcoming final plat(s). A park lands agreement may be an acceptable alternative to urban park fees provided the agreement is approved by the County and executed prior to recording of the forthcoming final plat(s).



# Development Application Permit Review



#### **COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

Park Operations - Community Outreach - Environmental Services Veterans Services - Recreation / Cultural Services

February 18, 2021

Subdivision requirements referenced in Section 8.5.2 of the El Paso County Land Development Code. Fees are based on average land values within designated areas. See El Paso County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) Resolution for fees established on an annual basis. The Park Advisory Board meets the second Wednesday of each month, 1:30 p.m., BoCC Auditorium, second floor of Centennial Hall, 200 South Cascade Avenue, Colorado Springs.

Name: Skyline at Lorson Ranch - PUDSP Application Type: PUDSP

PCD Reference #: PUDSP212 Total Acreage: 15.76

Total # of Dwelling Units: 85

Applicant / Owner: Owner's Representative: Dwelling Units Per 2.5 Acres: 13.48

Lorson, LLC Matrix Design Group Regional Park Area: 4
212 N. Wahsatch Ave 2435 Research Parkway Urban Park Area: 4
Colorado Springs, CO 80903 Colorado Springs, CO 80920 Existing Zoning Code: PUD

Proposed Zoning Code: PUD

### **REGIONAL AND URBAN PARK DEDICATION AND FEE REQUIREMENTS**

Regional Park land dedication shall be 7.76 acres of park land per 1,000 projected residents, while Urban Park land dedication shall be 4 acres of park land per 1,000 projected residents. The number of projected residents shall be based on 2.5 residents per dwelling unit.

The EPC Land Development Code defines urban density as land development of higher density and intensity which is characteristically provided with services of an urban nature. This category of development includes residential uses with densities of more than one dwelling

be based on 2.5 residents per dwelling unit. unit per 2.5 acres.

LAND REQUIREMENTS Urban Density (> 1 Dwelling Unit Per 2.5 Acres): YES

Regional Park Area: 4 Urban Park Area: 4

Neighborhood: 0.00375 Acres x 85 Dwelling Units = 0.32

0.0194 Acres x 85 Dwelling Units = 1.649 Community: 0.00625 Acres x 85 Dwelling Units = 0.53

Total Regional Park Acres: 1.649 Total Urban Park Acres: 0.85

**FEE REQUIREMENTS** 

Regional Park Area: 4 Urban Park Area: 4

Neighborhood: \$114 / Dwelling Unit x 85 Dwelling Units = \$9,690 \$460 / Dwelling Unit x 85 Dwelling Units = \$39,100 Community: \$176 / Dwelling Unit x 85 Dwelling Units = \$14,960

Total Regional Park Fees: \$39,100

Total Urban Park Fees: \$24,650

## ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS

## **Staff Recommendation:**

The Park Advisory Board recommends that the Planning Commission and the Board of County Commissioners include the following conditions when considering and/or approving Skyline at Lorson Ranch PUDSP: Require fees in lieu of land dedication for regional park purposes in the amount of \$39,100 and urban park purposes in the amount of \$24,650. A park lands agreement may be an acceptable alternative to urban park fees provided the agreement is approved by the County and executed prior to recording the forthcoming final plats.

**Park Advisory Board Recommendation:** 

PAB Endorsed 03/10/2021