

PRELIMINARY PLAN (RECOMMEND APPROVAL)

Commissioner Carlson moved that the following Resolution be adopted:

**BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION**

**OF THE COUNTY OF EL PASO**

**STATE OF COLORADO**

**RESOLUTION NO. SP-19-006  
Saddlehorn Ranch Preliminary Plan**

WHEREAS, Gorilla Capital Co., did file an application with the El Paso County Planning and Community Development Department for the approval of a preliminary plan for the proposed Saddlehorn Ranch Subdivision for property in the unincorporated area of El Paso County as described in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held by this Commission on March 4, 2021; 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 subdivision is in general conformance with the goals, objectives, and policies of the Master Plan.
6. The subdivision is consistent with the purposes of the Land Development Code.
7. The subdivision is in conformance with the subdivision design standards and any approved sketch plan.

8. Sufficiency: A sufficient water supply has been acquired in terms of quantity, quality, and dependability for the type of subdivision proposed, as determined in accordance with the standards set forth in the water supply standards [C.R.S. §30-28-133(6)(a)] and the requirements of Chapter 8 of the Land Development Code.
9. A public sewage disposal system has been established and, if other methods of sewage disposal are proposed, the system complies with State and local laws and regulations [C.R.S. §30-28-133(6)(b)] and the requirements of Chapter 8 of the Land Development Code.
10. All areas of the proposed subdivision, which may involve soil or topographical conditions presenting hazards or requiring special precautions, have been identified and the proposed subdivision is compatible with such conditions [C.R.W. §30-28-133(6)(c)].
11. Adequate drainage improvements complying with State law [C.R.S. §30-28-133(3)(c)(VIII)] and the requirements of the Land Development Code and the Engineering Criteria Manual are provided by the design.
12. Legal and physical access is or will be provided to all parcels by public rights-of-way or recorded easement, acceptable to the County in compliance with the Land Development Code and the Engineering Criteria Manual.
13. The proposed subdivision has established an adequate level of compatibility by (1) incorporating natural physical features into the design and providing sufficient open spaces considering the type and intensity of the subdivision; (2) incorporating site planning techniques to foster the implementation of the County's plans, and encouraging a land use pattern to support a balanced transportation system, including auto, bike and pedestrian traffic, public or mass transit if appropriate, and the cost effective delivery of other services consistent with adopted plans, policies and regulations of the County; (3) incorporating physical design features in the subdivision to provide a transition between the subdivision and adjacent land uses; (4) incorporating identified environmentally sensitive areas, including but not limited to, wetlands and wildlife corridors, into the design; and (5) incorporating public facilities or infrastructure, or provisions therefor, reasonably related to the proposed subdivision so the proposed subdivision will not negatively impact the levels of service of County services and facilities.
14. Necessary services, including police and fire protection, recreation, utilities, open space and transportation system, are or will be available to serve the proposed subdivision.
15. The subdivision provides evidence to show that the proposed methods for fire protection comply with Chapter 6 of the Land Development Code.
16. The proposed subdivision meets other applicable sections of Chapters 6 and 8 of the Land Development Code.

17. 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.
18. That the proposed subdivision of land conforms to the El Paso County Zoning Resolutions.
19. That for the above-stated and other reasons, the proposed subdivision is in the best interest of the health, safety, morals, convenience, order, prosperity and welfare of the citizens of El Paso County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Planning Commission recommends approval of the application for a preliminary plan of the Saddlehorn Ranch Subdivision.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Planning Commission recommends the following conditions and notation(s) be placed upon this approval:

**CONDITIONS**

1. Applicable traffic, drainage and bridge fees shall be paid with each final plat.
2. Applicable school and park fees shall be paid with each final plat.
3. Developer shall comply with federal and state laws, regulations, ordinances, review and permit requirements, and other agency requirements, if any, of applicable agencies including, but not limited to, 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 species.
4. The Subdivider(s) agrees on behalf of him/herself and any developer or builder successors and assigns that Subdivider and/or said successors and assigns shall be required to pay traffic impact fees in accordance with the Countywide Transportation Improvement Fee Resolution (Resolution 18-471), as amended, at or prior to the time of building permit submittals. The fee obligation, if not paid at final plat recording, shall be documented on all sales documents and on plat notes to ensure that a title search would find the fee obligation before sale of the property.
5. The County Attorney's Conditions of Compliance shall be adhered to at the appropriate time.
6. Developer shall participate in a fair and equitable manner in offsite transportation improvements, including but not limited to the items listed in Table 10 of the Saddlehorn Ranch Traffic Impact Analysis, to be verified and approved with an updated traffic

impact analysis or memorandum provided with each final plat in the Saddlehorn Ranch development.

7. The adjacent portions of Curtis Road shall be improved to meet the minimum standards of an arterial roadway per the Engineering Criteria Manual. Improvements will be made as part of the Curtis Road access permitting. The necessary improvements and phasing will be clarified with future final plat applications. This work may be subject to any reimbursement as outlined in the El Paso County Road Impact Fee Program.
8. A site development plan shall be submitted, reviewed, and approved for the proposed water treatment plant prior to initiation of construction of the water treatment plant. The water treatment plant shall be limited to serving less than 250 dwelling units until and unless a 1041 permit is submitted, reviewed, and approved.
9. The applicant is proposing to add a condition of approval that an additional plat note be added to all subsequent final plats providing notification of the proximity of the of the property to the Meadow lake Airport as follows:
  - a. Notice of Airport in Vicinity- This property is presently located in the vicinity of an airport, within what is known as an airport influence area. For that reason, the property may be subject to some of the annoyances or inconveniences associated with proximity to airport operations (for example: noise, vibration, or odors), individual sensitivities to those annoyances can vary from person to person. You may wish to consider what airport annoyances, if any, are associated with the property before you complete your purchase and determine whether they are acceptable to you.

## **NOTATIONS**

1. Subsequent final plat filings may be approved administratively by the Planning and Community Development Director.
2. Approval of the Preliminary Plan will expire after twenty-four (24) months unless a final plat has been approved and recorded or a time extension has been granted.
3. Preliminary plans not forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners for consideration within 180 days of Planning Commission action will be deemed to be withdrawn and will have to be resubmitted in their entirety.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Resolution and recommendations be forwarded to the El Paso County Board of County Commissioners.

Commissioner Trowbridge seconded the adoption of the foregoing Resolution.

The roll having been called, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Risley	aye
Commissioner Bailey	aye
Commissioner Trowbridge	aye
Commissioner Carlson	aye
Commissioner Brittain Jack	aye
Commissioner Moraes	aye
Commissioner Greer	aye
Commissioner Blea-Nunez	aye

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

DATED: March 4, 2021



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Brian Risley, Chair

## EXHIBIT A

### PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:

#### PARCEL A:

A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 64 WEST OF THE 6TH P.M., EL PASO COUNTY, COLORADO MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 3; THENCE S 89 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 33 SECONDS E, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 3, 5275.27 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER THEREOF; THENCE S 00 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 45 SECONDS E, ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION 3, 1841.19 FEET; THENCE N 89 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 04 SECONDS W, 5280.38 FEET TO A POINT ON THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 3; THENCE N 00 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 14 SECONDS E, ALONG SAID WEST LINE, 1883.39 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

EXCEPT THOSE PORTIONS CONVEYED TO EL PASO COUNTY BY AND THROUGH THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF EL PASO COUNTY, COLORADO, IN SPECIAL WARRANTY DEEDS RECORDED JANUARY 29, 2015 AT RECEPTION NO. 215008985 AND RECEPTION NO. 215008986.

#### PARCEL B:

A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 64 WEST OF THE 6TH P.M., EL PASO COUNTY, COLORADO MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 3; THENCE N 00 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 14 SECONDS E, ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 3, 1974.75 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUING ALONG SAID WEST LINE, N 00 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 14 SECONDS E, 1649.14 FEET; THENCE S 89 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 04 SECONDS E, 5280.38 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION 3; THENCE S 00 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 45 SECONDS E, ALONG SAID EAST LINE, 1649.15 FEET; THENCE N 89 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 04 SECONDS W, 5285.17 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

#### PARCEL C:

A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN SECTION 3 AND SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 64 WEST, OF THE 6TH P.M., EL PASO COUNTY, COLORADO, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 3; THENCE N 00 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 14 SECONDS E, ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 3, 327.11 FEET; THENCE S 89 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 04 SECONDS E, 5289.95 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION 3; THENCE S 00 DEGREES 04 MINUTES

45 SECONDS E, ALONG SAID EAST LINE, 327.11 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 3; THENCE S 00 DEGREES 57 MINUTES 38 SECONDS W, ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION 10, 1320.52 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE NORTH HALF OF THE NORTH HALF OF SAID SECTION 10; THENCE N 89 DEGREES 48 MINUTES 49 SECONDS W, ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID NORTH HALF OF THE NORTH HALF OF SAID SECTION 10, 5285.51 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER THEREOF; THENCE N 00 DEGREES 43 MINUTES 38" SECONDS E, ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 10, 1320.06 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

Per the Commitment for Title Insurance, issued by Westcor Land Title Insurance Company, Commitment No. 56676ECS, dated August 2, 2018.

PARCEL 21:

A PORTION OF THE SOUTH HALF OF SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 64 WEST OF THE 6TH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, COUNTY OF EL PASO, STATE OF COLORADO, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 3; THENCE ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION 3, S00°42'25"E (BEARINGS ARE RELATIVE TO THE NORTH LINE OF SECTION 3, BEING MONUMENTED AT THE WESTERLY END BY A FOUND NO.6 REBAR WITH A 3-1/4" ALUMINUM CAP IN A VAULT, STAMPED "PLS 17496", AND AT THE EASTERLY END BY A FOUND NO. 6 REBAR WITH 3-1/2" ALUMINUM CAP IN A VAULT, STAMPED "LS 17496", AND MEASURED TO BEAR S89°59'26"E, A DISTANCE OF 5275.03 FEET), A DISTANCE OF 3490.37 FEET, TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THAT PARCEL DESCRIBED IN THE QUIT CLAIM DEED RECORDED AT RECEPTION NO. 213021177, IN THE OFFICIAL RECORDS OF EL PASO COUNTY; SAID CORNER ALSO BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE S00°42'25"E, CONTINUING ALONG THE WEST LINE OF THAT PARCEL DESCRIBED IN THE QUIT CLAIM DEED RECORDED AT RECEPTION NO. 213113100, IN SAID OFFICIAL RECORDS, A DISTANCE OF 1647.65 FEET, TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THAT PARCEL DESCRIBED IN THE QUIT CLAIM DEED RECORDED AT RECEPTION NO. 213043391, IN SAID OFFICIAL RECORDS; THENCE S89°33'10"W, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID PARCEL, A DISTANCE OF 5289.71 FEET, TO A POINT LYING ON THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 3; THENCE ALONG SAID WEST LINE, N00°32'28"W, A DISTANCE OF 1645.40 FEET, TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID PARCEL, RECORDED AT RECEPTION NO. 213021177, IN SAID OFFICIAL RECORDS; THENCE N89°31'43"E, ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID PARCEL, A DISTANCE OF 5284.95 FEET, TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

Per the Commitment for Title Insurance, issued by Land Title Guarantee Company, Order No. SC55073032, dated October 1, 2018.

Being more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows:

**COMMENCING** at the Northeast Corner of Section 3, Township 13 South, Range 64 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> Principal Meridian; thence along the east line of said Section 3, S00°42'27"E ( Basis of bearings is the North line of Section 3, Township 13 South, Range 64 West of the 6<sup>th</sup>

Principal Meridian, monumented at the West end by a No. 6 Rebar with a 3-1/4" aluminum cap, properly marked, in a monument box, "PLS 17496" and at the East end by a No. 6 rebar with a 3-1/2" aluminum cap, properly marked, in a monument box, "PLS 17496", having a measured bearing and distance of S89°59'23"E, 5275.26'. Bearings are relative to Colorado State Plane Central Zone (0502)), a distance of 30.00 feet, to the **POINT OF BEGINNING**; thence continuing along said east line, S00°42'27"E, a distance of 5,435.28 feet, to the Southeast Corner of said Section 3, said point also being the Northeast Corner of Section 10, Township 13 South, Range 64 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> Principal Meridian; thence along the east line of the North 1/2 of the North 1/2 of said Section 10, S00°19'54"W, a distance of 1,320.51 feet, to the North 1/16<sup>th</sup> Corner of said Section 10; thence leaving said east line and along the south line of the North 1/2 of the North 1/2 of said Section 10, S89°34'02"W, a distance of 2,642.78 feet, to the North-Center-Center 1/16<sup>th</sup> Corner of said Section 10; thence continuing along said south line, S89°34'07"W, a distance of 2,612.73 feet, to a point that is 30.00 feet distant from the North 1/16<sup>th</sup> Corner of said Section 10, said point also being a point on the east right-of-way line of Curtis Road; thence along said east right-of-way line and 30.00 feet parallel to the west line of said North 1/2 of the North 1/2 of said Section 10, N00°05'54"E, a distance of 1,319.14 feet, to a point that is 30.00 distant to the Northwest Corner of said Section 10, also being the Southwest corner of said Section 3; thence continuing along said east right-of-way line, along the following four (4) courses:

1. N00°32'28"W, a distance of 4,608.42 feet;
2. N89°27'32"E, a distance of 19.98 feet;
3. N00°32'28"W, a distance of 820.00 feet;
4. N44°46'13"E, a distance of 40.00 feet,

to a point on the south right-of-way line of Judge Orr Road, thence along said south right-of-way line, along the following three (3) courses:

1. S89°59'23"E, a distance of 822.24 feet;
2. N00°00'37"E, a distance of 20.00 feet;
3. S89°59'23"E, a distance of 4,374.49 feet,

to the **POINT OF BEGINNING**.

Containing 35,565,654 S.F. or 816.475 acres, more or less.