

PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT CRAIG DOSSEY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

- TO: El Paso County Planning Commissioners Jim Egbert, Chair
- FROM: Kari Parsons, PM/Planner II Jeff Rice, PE Engineer III Craig Dossey, Executive Director
- RE: Project File #: P-18-003 Project Name: The Townhomes at Bradley Crossroads Rezone Parcel No.: 65024-07-102

OWNER:	REPRESENTATIVE:
Bradley Investment Group LLC	M.V.E. Inc.
106 Sunbird Cliffs Ln East	1903 Lelaray Street, Suite 200
Colorado Springs, CO 80919	Colorado Springs, CO 80908

Commissioner District: 2

Planning Commission Hearing Date:	08/21/2018
Board of County Commissioners Hearing Date	09/11/2018

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A request by Bradley Investment Group, LLC, for approval of a map amendment (rezoning) from the CC (Commercial Community) to the RM-30 (Residential Multi-Dwelling) zoning district. The 5.24 acre parcel is located north of Gladiator Drive, south of Bradley Road, east of Lincoln Plaza, and west of Hancock Expressway and is within Section 2, Township 15 South, Range 66 West of the 6th P.M.

The applicant is proposing to construct 20 buildings with a maximum of 78 residential townhome units. The parcel was replatted (VR-18-008) from five (5) lots into one (1) lot on May 22, 2018. Security Water and Sanitation District had committed to serve the

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COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80910-3127 Fax: (719) 520-6695 parcel at the time of the replat. A commitment letter is not required with a rezone request. If the Board approves the request, the applicant will be required to submit a site development plan for administrative approval by the Planning and Community Development Department.

A. REQUEST/WAIVERS/MODIFICATIONS

Request: A request for map amendment (rezone approval from the CC (Commercial Community to the RM-30) (Residential Multi-Dwelling) zoning district.

Waiver(s)/Modification(s): There are no waivers or modifications associated with the request.

B. PLANNING COMMISSION SUMMARY

Request Heard:
Recommendation:
Waiver Recommendation:
Vote:
Vote Rationale:
Summary of Hearing:
Legal Notice:

C. APPROVAL CRITERIA

In approving a Map Amendment (rezoning), the following findings shall be made:

- 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;
- 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;
- The proposed land use or zone district is compatible with the existing and permitted land uses and zone districts in all directions; and
- The site is suitable for the intended use, including the ability to meet the standards as described in Chapter 5 of the <u>Land Development Code</u>, for the intended zone district.
- The Board of County Commissioners shall include specific findings relative to airport noise within the approval resolution and shall require appropriate noise mitigation measures.

D. LOCATION

North: CC (Commercial Community) South: RS-5000 (Residential Suburban) Vacant Residential Single-Family East: CC (Commercial Community) West: PUD (Planned Unit Development) Car Wash/ Convenience Store Townhome Development

E. BACKGROUND

The property was zoned from A-2 (Agricultural) to C-2 (Commercial, Obsolete) zoning district in 1960 and then to the PBP (Planned Business Park) (PBP-89-003) zoning district on September 14, 1989. Due to changes of the nomenclature of the <u>El</u> <u>Paso County Land Development Code</u> (2017), the PBP zoning district has been renamed as the CC (Commercial Community) zoning district.

The subject property was platted as the Bradley Crossroads (VR-10-004) on July 22, 2010 as seven (7) commercial lots. A vacation and replat (VR-18-008) was completed on May 22, 2018 which combined five (5) of the commercial lots into one (1) 5.24 acre lot.

The applicant proposes to develop 78 townhome units within 20 buildings on 5.24 acres if the rezone is approved. It is anticipated that the townhomes will be platted via the townhome exemption plat process pursuant to Section 7.2.2.B .5 of the <u>Code</u>. The townhome plat is an administrative process and is required for the individual units to be conveyed. It is anticipated that the townhome plat is to be submitted after the review and approval of the site development plan which is also an administrative approval by the Planning and Community Development Director.

Adjacent to the subject property, to the west, is the Lincoln Commons Planned Unit Development Plan (PUD-05-020) which was approved by the Board of County Commissioners on January 11, 2007. The PUD development included 87 units on 5.51 acres. The Lincoln Commons development is completed and the units have been sold.

F. ANALYSIS

1. Land Development Code Analysis

The rezone request complies with Section 5.3.5.B of the <u>Code</u>. This application meets the rezone (map amendment) submittal requirements and the standards for a rezone (map amendment) in Chapter 5 of the <u>Code</u>.

2. Zoning Compliance

The applicant has requested to rezone the subject property to the RM-30 (Residential Multi-Dwelling) zoning district. The RM-30 zoning district is a 30 dwelling unit per acre district intended to accommodate moderate density multi-

dwelling development. The RM-30 zoning district density and dimensional standards are as follows:

- Minimum lot size 5,00 square feet
- Setbacks front 25, sides 15 feet, and rear 15 feet
- Maximum building height 40 feet
- Maximum lot coverage 60 percent
- Density- 30 dwelling unit per 1 acres

The property is located east of an existing multi-family townhome development and west of a convenience store and car wash. There is single-family residential development to the south of the subject property. The proposed multi-family development is anticipated to be a suitable transition from the single-family residential development and the commercial development. The property to the north is zoned commercial and remains vacant.

3. Policy Plan Analysis

The <u>El Paso County Policy Plan</u> (1998) has a dual purpose; it serves as a guiding document concerning broader land use planning issues, and provides a framework to tie together the more detailed sub-area elements of the County master plan. Relevant policies are as follows:

Policy 6.1.1- Allow for a balance of mutually supporting interdependent land uses, including employment, housing and services in the more urban and urbanizing areas of the County.

Policy 6.1.3- Encourage new development which is contiguous and compatible with previously developed areas in terms of factors such as density, land use, and access.

Policy 6.1.8 - Encourage incorporating buffers or transitions between areas of varying use or density where possible.

Policy 6.1.11 - Plan and implement land development so that it will be functionally and aesthetically integrated within the context of adjoining properties and uses.

Policy 6.3.4 - Commercial, office, industrial and, residential development should be compatible with surrounding land uses in terms of scale, intensity and potential impacts.

Policy 13.1.1- Encourage a sufficient supply and choice of housing at varied price and rent levels through land development regulations.

Policy 13.1.2- Support the provision of land use availability to meet the housing needs of county residents.

The applicant is proposing a multi-family development adjacent to the Lincoln Commons Townhome multi-family development. The single-family residential to the south is separated by Gladiator Drive, an 80 foot public right-of-way. If the Board should approve this request, a minimum 15 foot buffer would be required on the south side of the subject property. The buffer will be identified on the anticipated site development plan to be reviewed and approved by the Planning and Community Development Department. The remaining vacant commercial property to the north and east is intended to accommodate retail sales and service establishments that serve the adjoining neighborhoods. Staff has no concerns regarding rezone request.

4. Small Area Plan Analysis

The subject parcel is not within the boundaries of a small area plan.

5. Other Master Plan Elements

The <u>El Paso County Wildlife Habitat Descriptors</u> (1996) identifies the property as having a low wildlife impact potential. El Paso County Community Services Department, Environmental Division, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) were each sent a referral at the time of the preliminary plan submittal. No comments that would preclude development were provided.

The <u>Master Plan for Mineral Extraction</u> (1996) identifies potential upland and coal deposits in the area of the subject property. A mineral rights certification was prepared by the applicant indicating that, upon researching the records with El Paso County, no severed mineral rights exist

G. PHYSICAL SITE CHARACTERISTICS

1. Hazards

A hazard evaluation was not performed with this rezone request. No hazards were identified with the previously approved preliminary plan that would preclude development.

2. Wildlife

The <u>EI Paso County Wildlife Habitat Descriptors</u> (1996) identifies the property as having a low wildlife impact potential. EI Paso County Community Services Department, Environmental Division, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) were each sent a referral in conjunction with the prior preliminary plan submittals. No comments were identified that would preclude development. Comments were not requested with this he rezone request.

3. Floodplain

Per Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) No. 08041C0763, no portion of the property is within or near a FEMA-designated 100-year floodplain.

4. Drainage and Erosion

The site is located within the Little Johnson drainage basin. Because the zoning has been commercial since original platting, any new plat or subdivision of the parcel would not increase the imperviousness allowed under the zoning. Per ECM Appendix L, drainage and bridge fees apply when there is a subdivision and the imperviousness of the property would increase. In this case, the allowed imperviousness is not increasing; therefore drainage and bridge fees will not apply if the site is further subdivided.

The site generally drains to the southwest where existing and proposed storm drainage facilities will provide detention and water quality treatment. An existing shared detention/water quality pond exists on the lot to the west (Lincoln Commons Townhomes). The Security Creek/Little Johnson DBPS calls for a regional detention pond on a neighboring site approximately 1,300 feet southwest of the site. The shared detention pond on the lot to the west is required to remain until the time that the regional pond is constructed and storm drain facilities with the required capacity are extended. The Fountain Mutual Irrigation Canal (FMIC) has an underground conduit running from northwest to southeast just outside the northeast corner of overall Bradley Crossroads development.

Grading and erosion control plans have been reviewed with the previous plat and site development plans for this overall development. These plans call for best management practices (BMPs) to prevent sediment and debris from affecting adjoining properties and the public storm sewer system before, during, and after construction. County and State stormwater permits will be required for further construction activities and revegetation.

5. Transportation

The overall Bradley Crossroads development has frontage along Bradley Road to the north, Main Street (southerly extension of Hancock Expressway) to the east, and Gladiator Drive to the south. The lot proposed to be rezoned has private road access connecting to Bradley Road and Gladiator Drive. Dedication of the required rights-of-way for these roads was provided with previous plats and construction of the required improvements was completed in 2012. With the improvements constructed, the private drive and surrounding roads are adequate for the proposed traffic for this site.

H. SERVICES

1. Water

Sufficiency:

Quality: Not required for a rezone application.

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Dependability: Not required for a rezone application.

Attorney's summary: Findings with regards to water sufficiency are not required with rezoning requests. The property is within the boundaries of the Security Water and Sanitation District. The district committed to serve the property at the time of final platting.

2. Sanitation

The property will be served by the Security Water and Sanitation District. The district committed to serve the property at the time of final platting.

3. Emergency Services

The site is located within the boundaries of the Security Fire Protection District. The District was sent a referral and has no outstanding comments.

4. Utilities

Colorado Springs Utilities will provide gas and electric service to the property.

5. Metropolitan Districts

The property is within the Security Water and Sanitation District. The district will provide water and sanitation services to the property.

6. Parks/Trails

Park fees in lieu of park land dedication are not required for a rezone application. The site is already platted and does not require a replat. At the time of platting, the property was zoned CC (Commercial Community). Commercial properties are not required to pay park fees at the time of plat recordation.

7. Schools

Land dedication and fees in lieu of school land dedication is not required for a rezone application. The site is already platted and does not require a replat. At the time of platting, the property was zoned CC (Commercial Community). Commercial properties are not required to pay school fees at the time of plat recordation.

I. APPLICABLE RESOLUTIONS:

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J. STATUS OF MAJOR ISSUES

There are no major outstanding issues.

K. RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS AND NOTATIONS:

Should the Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioners find that the request meets the criteria for approval outlined in 5.3.5 (Map Amendment) as well as Section 4.3.1.F.2.b of the <u>El Paso County Land Development Code</u> (2017); staff recommends the following conditions and notations:

CONDITIONS

- 1. The applicant shall apply for and receive approval of a site development plan.
- 2. 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.
- Any future or subsequent development and/or use of the property shall be in accordance with the use, density, and dimensional standards of the RM-30 (Residential Multi-Dwelling) zoning district and with the applicable sections of the <u>Land Development Code</u> and <u>Engineering Criteria Manual</u>.
- 4. At the time of issuance of a building permit, the applicant and/or said successors and assigns shall be required to pay traffic impact fees in accordance with the El

Paso County Road Impact Fee Program Resolution (Resolution No. 16-454), or any amendments thereto, at or prior to the time of building permit submittals. The fee obligation shall be documented on all sales documents and on plan notes to ensure that a title search would find the fee obligation before sale of the property.

NOTATIONS

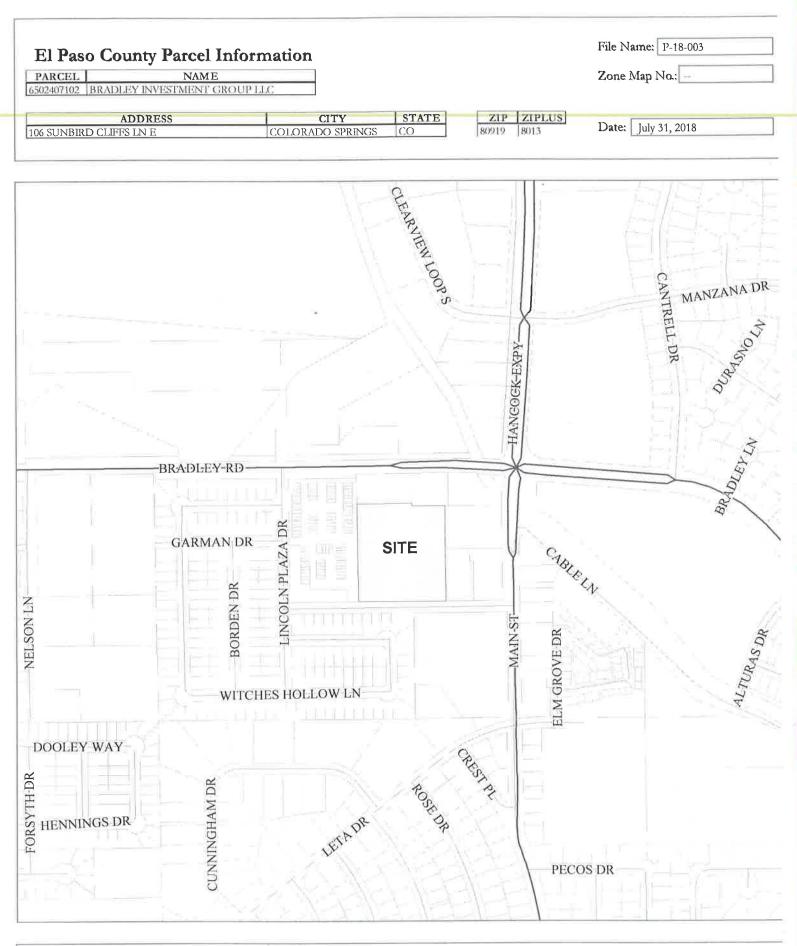
- 1. If a zone or rezone petition has been disapproved by the Board of County Commissioners, resubmittal of the previously denied petition will not be accepted for a period of one (1) year if it pertains to the same parcel of land and is a petition for a change to the same zone that was previously denied. 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.

L. PUBLIC COMMENT AND NOTICE

The Planning and Community Development Department notified twenty five (25) adjoining property owners on August 1, 2018, for the Planning Commission hearing and the Board of County Commissioners hearing. Responses will be provided at the hearings.

M. ATTACHMENTS

Vicinity Map Letter of Intent Rezone Map



Please report any parcel discrepancies to: EI Paso County Assessor 16751V Garden of the Gods Rd. Colorido Springs, CO 89097 (719) 520-6600



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June 22, 2018

LETTER OF INTENT THE TOWNHOMESS AT BRADLEY CROSSROADS – ZONE CHANGE

Owner:

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Developer:

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Applicant:

M.V.E., Inc. 1903 Lelaray Street, Suite 200 Colorado Springs, CO (719) 635-5736 Attn: Dave Gorman

Site Location Size and Zoning:

The site of the proposed Zone Change is Lot 1A, Bradley Crossroads Filing No. 1B, located within the southeast one-quarter of Section 2, Township 15 South, Range 66 west of the 6th principal meridian in El Paso County, Colorado. The property has El Paso County Tax Schedule No. 65024-07-102 and is currently undeveloped, except for the adjacent private roadways located on the north and east edges of the property. The 5.24± acre site is situated south of Bradley Road, north of Gladiator Drive, east of Lincoln Plaza Drive and west of Hancock Expressway. The existing zone of the site is CC (Commercial Community). The site is proposed to be rezoned to RM-30 (Residential Multi-Dwelling) to facilitate construction of a townhome community on the site. The future development is planned to consist of 20 buildings having a total of 78 units.

Gladiator Drive borders the south edge of the site. The property to the southwest of the site is part of Bradley Ranch Filing No. 4 Phase 1, zoned RS-5000 (Residential Suburban) containing developed 5000 sf single family residential lots. The property to the southeast is a Widefield School District 3 facility zoned RS-5000. The platted properties north of the site are undeveloped Lots 2A and 5A, Bradley Crossroads Filing No. 1B, zoned CC. These lots separate the site from Bradley Road to the north. The developed property to the west is Lincoln Commons Townhomes zoned PUD and containing multi-family (townhome) use. The southeast side of the site is adjacent to developed Lot 7A, Bradley Crossroads Filing No. 1B zoned CC and containing a car wash. The adjacent property to the northeast is vacant and undeveloped Lot 4A, Bradley Crossroads Filing No. 1B zoned CC.

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The site will be served with water by Security Water District. Sanitary Sewer treatment will be by Security Sanitation District. Electric and Natural Gas will be provided to the site by Colorado Springs Utilities. The site is located within the boundaries of the Security Fire Protection District.

A Neighborhood meeting was advertised by direct certified mail and held on May 23, 2018 at Security Fire Station No. 1. There were no attendees from the neighborhood.

Request and Justification:

The request is for approval of a change of zone of the $5.24\pm$ acre site from CC (Commercial Community) to RM-30 (Residential Multi-Dwelling). The site is currently vacant, except for the edge of shared private roadway on the north and east edges of the site. The proposed future multi-family development will be laid out and planned to comply with the requirements of the requested RM-30 zoning with respect to land use (multi-family residential), lot size, minimum building setbacks, drainage, access, and utilities.

The requested zone is compatible with the zones and uses of the surrounding zones listed above and provides a good buffer/transition between the 5000 sf single family lots opposite Gladiator Drive and the Community Commercial parcels located north of the site. The proposed zone change application is in conformance with the goals, objectives, and policies of the Master Plan including the Policy Plan discussed below. There is no operative Small Area Plan for the site.

The Master Plan is comprised of several elements. One of the elements is the El Paso County Policy Plan (1998), which does not include site-specific land use policies, but establishes broad policies and goals which are intended to serve as a framework for decision-making regarding development of the County. The project satisfies the following policies from the Policy Plan as they specifically relate to this request: "Policy 6.1.3 - Encourage new development which is contiguous and compatible with previously developed areas in terms of factors such as density, land use and access." The proposed rezone will not create the need for additional roadways or public facilities. The site will be the same multi-family land use as the adjacent property to the west; "Policy 6.1.8 - Encourage incorporation of buffers or transitions between areas of varying use or density where possible." The proposed rezone is in an area adjacent to both less dense single-family residential development on the south and future commercial land use on the the north and east. The site will serve as a transition from the lower density single family residential on the south and the future commercial areas to the north and east; "Policy 6.1.13 -Encourage the use of carefully planned and implemented clustering concepts in order to promote efficient land use, conservation of open space and reduction of infrastructure costs"; The proposed rezone will will utilize the existing adjacent roadways without adding new public facilities.; "Policy 6.2.14 Encourage the reasonable accommodation of mixed uses within neighborhoods for the purposes of promoting land use efficiency and providing housing options. The proposed rezone preserves the mixed use concept in the area with single-family, multi-family and commercial uses in the neighborhood.

As a proposed Multi-Family Residential project, Park Fees and School Fees will be due.

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