

**COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

PARK OPERATIONS ~ ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES ~ RECREATION/CULTURAL SERVICES

April 28, 2022

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**Subject: Falcon Meadows at Bent Grass Filing No. 3 Final Plat (SF-2216)**

Kari,

The Community Services Department has reviewed the Falcon Meadows at Bent Grass Filing No. 3 Final Plat and has the following preliminary comments of behalf of El Paso County Parks. This application will be presented to the Park Advisory Board May 11, 2022, and its recommendation will be provided after the meeting.

NES, Inc., on behalf of Challenger Homes, Inc., is requesting approval of the Falcon Meadows at Bent Grass Filing No. 3 Final Plat for 49 single-family residential lots on 12.7 acres. This is the third filing of the approved overall PUD Development titled "Falcon Meadows at Bentgrass PUD Preliminary Plan."

The 2013 El Paso County Parks Master Plan shows the proposed Woodmen Hills Secondary Regional Trail running adjacent to the Filing No. 3 along its northern and eastern boundary. The section of trail to the north of Filing No. 3 was previously dedicated to El Paso County in Bentgrass Filing No. 2. The section of trail that lies to the east of Filing No. 3 will be dedicated within Bentgrass Filing No. 4. Therefore, no trail easement dedications are required for Filing No. 3.

The Bent Grass Filing No. 3 Final Plat contains two open space tracts, Tract A and Tract B. These open space tracts total 0.66 acres and are 5.1% of the total area of Filing No. 3. Filing No. 3 is the third phase of the larger Falcon Meadows at Bent Grass development. The overall development totals 67 acres with 25 acres of open space, which equates to 37% of the overall site. This percentage exceeds the 10% minimum open space requirement for PUD zoning.

Since there are no impacts to County trails on this filing, staff recommends fees in lieu of land for regional and urban park purposes.



**Recommended Motion (Falcon Meadows at Bent Grass West Filing No.3 Final Plat):**

The Park Advisory Board recommends that the Planning Commission and the Board of County Commissioners include the following conditions when considering and / or approving the Falcon Meadows at Bent Grass Filing No.1 Final Plat: (1): Require fees in lieu of land dedication for regional park purposes in the amount of \$22,540 and urban park fees in the amount of \$14,210 will be required at time of the recording of the final plat(s).

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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May 11, 2022

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:	Falcon Meadows at Bent Grass Filing No.3	Application Type:	Final Plat
PCD Reference #:	SF-2216	Total Acreage:	35.00
		Total # of Dwelling Units:	49
Applicant / Owner:	Owner's Representative:	Dwelling Units Per 2.5 Acres:	3.50
Challenger Homes	NES Inc.	Regional Park Area:	2
8605 Explorer Dr.	619 N. Cascade Ave. Suite 200	Urban Park Area:	3
Colorado Springs, CO 80920	Colorado Springs, CO 80903	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 unit per 2.5 acres.
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LAND REQUIREMENTS		Urban Density ( $\geq 1$ Dwelling Unit Per 2.5 Acres):		YES
Regional Park Area: 2		Urban Park Area: 3		
0.0194 Acres x 49 Dwelling Units = 0.951		Neighborhood:	0.00375 Acres x 49 Dwelling Units =	0.18
Total Regional Park Acres: 0.951		Community:	0.00625 Acres x 49 Dwelling Units =	0.31
		Total Urban Park Acres:		0.49
FEE REQUIREMENTS		Urban Park Area: 3		
Regional Park Area: 2		Neighborhood:	\$114 / Dwelling Unit x 49 Dwelling Units =	\$5,586
\$460 / Dwelling Unit x 49 Dwelling Units = \$22,540		Community:	\$176 / Dwelling Unit x 49 Dwelling Units =	\$8,624
Total Regional Park Fees: \$22,540		Total Urban Park Fees:		\$14,210

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 the Falcon Meadows at Bent Grass Filing No.1 Final Plat: (1): Require fees in lieu of land dedication for regional park purposes in the amount of \$22,540 and urban park fees in the amount of \$14,210 will be required at time of the recording of the final plat(s).

Park Advisory Board Recommendation:

**Falcon Meadows at  
Bentgrass Filing No.3**

- SubjectProperty
- Secondary Regional Trail, Completed
- Secondary Regional Trail, Proposed
- Proposed Bicycle Routes, Proposed
- Major Roads
- Streets & Roads
- Parcels
- EPC\_BuildingFootprint
- Streams

0 250 500 1,000 Feet



**Bentgrass Filing No.3**

Woodmen Hills Trail

