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October 24, 2019

Kari Parsons Project Manager El Paso County Development Services Department 2880 International Circle Colorado Springs, CO 80910

Subject: Homestead at Sterling Ranch Filing No. 2 Final Plat, Review #2 (SF-19-004)

Hello Kari,

The Planning Division of the Community Services Department has reviewed the Homestead at Sterling Ranch Filing No. 2 Final Plat, Review #2, and has no additional comments of behalf of El Paso County Parks. This application and the following comments and recommendations were presented to and endorsed by the El Paso County Park Advisory Board on April 10, 2019:

"The Homestead at Sterling Ranch Filing No. 2 Final Plat consists of 104 single-family residential lots on 29.66 acres. This Final Plat is a replat of Tract E of Sterling Ranch Master Plat Filing No. 1, which was endorsed by the Park Advisory Board in September 2016. The property is currently zoned RS-5000, and is located along Vollmer Road, north of Woodmen Road and west of Meridian Road.

The 2013 El Paso County Parks Master Plan shows no parks, trails, or open space impacted by the project. The proposed Sand Creek Regional Trail is located immediately east of the property, along Sand Creek, while a proposed extension of the Sand Creek Regional Trail is located immediately north of the property along the proposed extension of Briargate Parkway. The proposed Vollmer Road Bicycle Route is located approximately 0.25 mile west of the project location. The property is not located within any candidate open space land, as the Black Forest South Candidate Open Space is located approximately 1.50 miles to the northwest.

Although the current application shows no dedicated open space, the original Sterling Ranch Phase I Preliminary Plan, endorsed by the Park Advisory Board in April 2015, included 35 acres of open space, constituting 19.5% of the total project acreage, which includes public open spaces, trail corridors, neighborhood parks, and community parks. The El Paso County Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioner summaries for the approval of the Phase I Preliminary Plan added requirements for the dedication to El Paso County of 25-foot wide regional trail easements along Sand Creek and Briargate Parkway for the construction, maintenance, and public access of the Sand Creek Primary Regional Trail and the Briargate Parkway extension. These trail easements, Instruments #218054786



COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80903 Fax: (719) 520-6397 and #218714151, were dedicated to El Paso County in May 2018 and are located immediately adjacent Filing No. 2.

As no park land dedication or trail easements are necessary for this Final Plat, staff recommends fees in lieu of land dedication for regional and urban park purposes.

Recommended Motion:

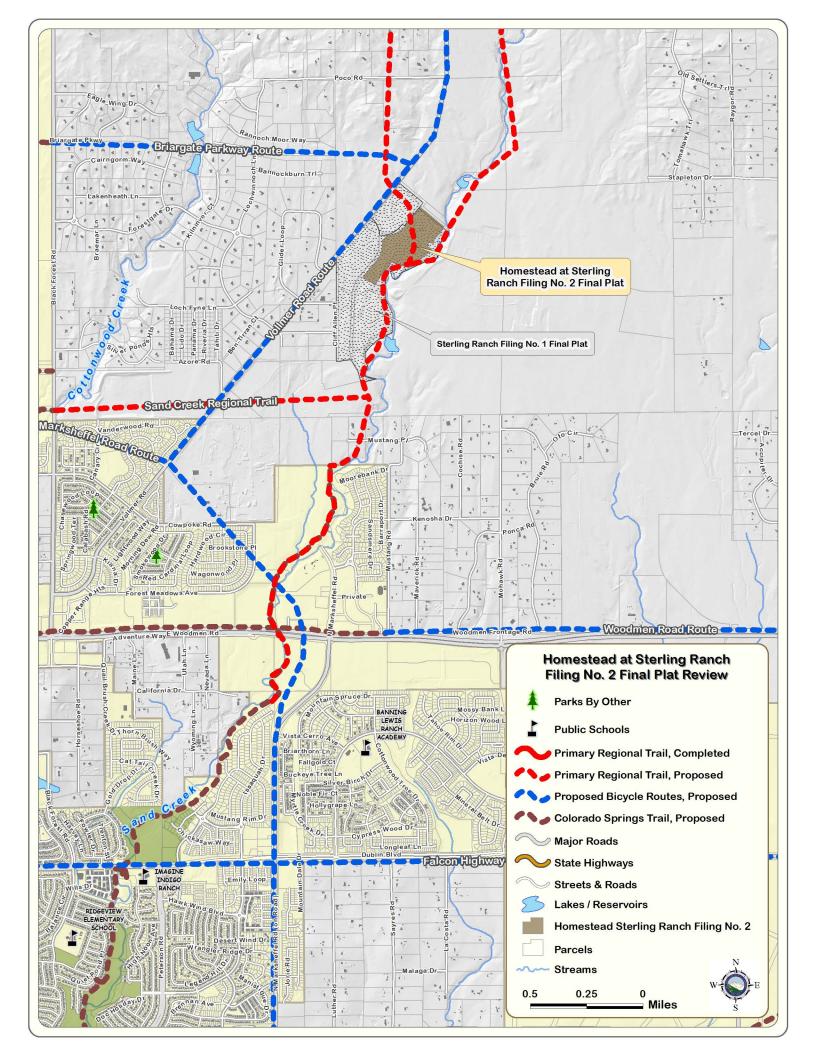
Recommend to the Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioners that approval of the Homestead at Sterling Ranch Filing No. 2 Final Plat include the following condition: require fees in lieu of land dedication for regional park purposes in the amount of \$47,424 and urban park fees in the amount of \$29,952."

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

Sincerely,

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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.

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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 pa land per 1,000 projected residents. The number of projected residents sha be based on 2.5 residents per dwelling unit.		
LAND REQUIREMENTS	Urban Density (> 1 Dwelling Unit Per 2.5 Acres): YES	
Regional Park Area: 2	Urban Park Area: 3	
	Neighborhood: 0.00375 Acres x 104 Dwelling Units = 0.39	
0.0194 Acres x 104 Dwelling Units = 2.018	Community: 0.00625 Acres x 104 Dwelling Units = 0.65	
Total Regional Park Acres: 2.018	Total Urban Park Acres: 1.04	
FEE REQUIREMENTS		
Regional Park Area: 2	Urban Park Area: 3	
	Neighborhood: \$113 / Dwelling Unit x 104 Dwelling Units = \$11,752	
\$456 / Dwelling Unit x 104 Dwelling Units = \$47,424	Community: \$175 / Dwelling Unit x 104 Dwelling Units = \$18,200	
Total Regional Park Fees: \$47,424	Total Urban Park Fees: \$29,952	

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ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff Recommendation: Recommend to the Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioners that approval of the Homestead at Sterling Ranch Filing No. 2 Final Plat include the following condition: require fees in lieu of land dedication for regional park purposes in the amount of \$47,424 and urban park fees in the amount of \$29,952.