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

Subject: 6425 East Platte Avenue Vacation and Replat (VR-17-014)

Hello Nina,

The Planning Division of the Community Services Department has reviewed the 6425 East Platte Avenue Vacation and Replat application and has the following comments of behalf of El Paso County Parks.

The El Paso County Parks Master Plan (2013) shows no open space, park facilities, or trails intersected by or within the project area. The project site is located on the south side of Highway 24 East, south of the intersection of East Platte Avenue and Hathaway Drive. The proposed Highway 94 Secondary Regional Trail and Highway 94 Bicycle Route are located approximately 1 mile northeast of the site, commencing at the intersection of East Highway 24 and Highway 94 before heading eastward.

The City of Colorado Springs' proposed East Fork Sand Creek Trail is located immediately east and adjacent to the property. Parks recommends that the applicant consult the City of Colorado Springs Parks staff, since the City is actively working on proposed trail connections in this area. Dave Dietemeyer would be a good contact there.

The Board of County Commissioners has not elected to require park fees for commercial subdivisions, so none are recommended at this time.

These comments are being provided administratively, as this application does not require Park Advisory Board consideration.

Sincerely,

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