



MINUTES
PLANNING COMMISSION
7651 E. Central Park Ave, Bel Aire, KS
December 12, 2024 6:30 PM



I. **Call to Order:** Chairman Phillip Jordan called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. **Roll Call**

Chairman Phillip Jordan and Commissioners Dee Roths, Deryk Faber, Paul Matzek, and Brian Mackey were present. Commissioner Edgar Salazar was absent.

Also present were City Attorney Maria Schrock, Director of Community Development Paula Downs, and City Engineer Anne Stephens.

II. **Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag**

Chairman Jordan led the pledge of allegiance.

IV. **Consent Agenda**

A. **Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting.**

Chairman Jordan shared typographical errors in the spelling of his first name and that it was requested for the reference of "Chairperson" be replaced with "Chairman" throughout the minutes. Staff acknowledged the errors and minutes for signature were updated.

MOTION: Chairman Jordan moved to approve the minutes of November 14, 2024. Commissioner Roths seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0.*

V. **Announcement:** Welcome of new Planning Commissioner Brian Mackey. John Charleston has resigned, and Mayor Benage is in the process of identifying a new member to the Commission.

VI. **Old Business/New Business**

A. **PUD-24-04- Proposed Final PUD containing approved duplexes to be converted townhouses with zero interior lot lines on a reduced lot size in an R-4 zoning district as built (Chapel Landing Phase 2).**

Chairman Jordan announced the item and reviewed ground rules for public hearings. Before proceeding with the public hearing, he asked the Commission if any member wished to disqualify themselves from participating in the case because they or a relative own property in the area of notification or have conflicts of interest. No one was disqualified.

Chairman Jordan noted that proper notice of this hearing was published at least 20 days before today's hearing date on the City's website and in *The Ark Valley News*. Notices were also mailed to

the applicant and all of the real property owners of record listed on the security title, in the area of notification. Chairman Jordan asked if anyone on the Commission had received any ex-parte verbal or written communications prior to this agenda item, which they would like to share. The Commissioners responded that they had not.

City staff gave a brief report on this case and referenced the Commission's information packet for this meeting. City staff noted that this case was heard at the November 14th Planning Commission meeting and was tabled for further consideration and for documentation requests made by motion.

Chairman Jordan called upon the applicant to make his/her presentation and any response to the City staff report. Jay Cook, Baughman Company, spoke on behalf of the applicant and stood for questions from the Commission. Mr. Cook asked that the case be sent to the City Council because the applicant does not intend to provide the documents that Planning Commission requested. He stated the reason is because the documents requested are outside the scope of zoning and are not enforceable by the City. He stated that the applicant may be willing to update the PUD to reflect the Commission's recommendation for number of street trees, and update face of the plat to reflect zoning setbacks. Cook stated that the applicant is willing to comply with regulations listed in the subdivision and zoning codes.

Chairman Jordan opened the public comments section. No others requested to speak and the public comments section was closed. Staff confirmed that they had not received any written communications from the public regarding this case.

The Commission then discussed the case.

MOTION: Chairman Jordan moved that having considered the evidence at the hearing and the factors to evaluate the application, I move we recommend to the City Council, that the proposed final PUD containing approved duplexes be converted townhouses with zero interior lot lines on a reduced lot size in a R-4 zoning district as built (Chapel Landing Phase 2) in PUD-24-04 be approved with modifications: the 4 modifications under Item 10 on the City recommendations, based on the findings from the review section of the staff report, as recorded in the summary of this hearing, and the following conditions be attached to this recommendation. Commissioner Mackey seconded the motion..

Discussion followed. Commissioners cited their reasons for recommending approval, namely: the recommendation of City Staff; Suitability of the subject property for the uses to which it has been restricted; and Relative gain to the public health, safety, and welfare as compared to the loss in value or the hardship imposed upon the applicant. Chairman Jordan called the question. ***Motion carried 5-0***

B. Review proposed updates to the 2024 Bel Aire Zoning Map- (supermajority (5) required for approval).

City staff provided a brief report. Chairman Jordan opened the public hearing. No one spoke, and the public comments section was closed.

MOTION: Commissioner Roths moved to recommend the proposed zoning map changes as presented by this Planning Commission. Commissioner Faber seconded the motion. ***Motion carried 5-0.***

C. SD-24-03- Proposed final platting R-5 and R-6 single and multi-family uses, and to include C-1 commercial as zoned (Spring Pines Subdivision, previously Homestead at Spring)

Staff stated that contrary to the written staff report, they now recommend unconditional approval of the plat.

The agent for the applicant, Will Clevenger, Garver, stood for questions from the Commission.

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Chairman Jordan then opened the public hearing. No one spoke. The public hearing was then closed and Chairman Jordan stated he would entertain a motion.

MOTION: Commissioner Faber moved to recommend approval of the final plat of SD-24-03 as presented. Chairman Jordan seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0.*

D. ZON-24-02- Proposed rezoning from C-1 Neighborhood commercial, office and retail, to R-5 garden and patio homes, townhouses and condominiums uses (Skyview at Webb Addition).

Staff recommended one change: the Dedication of right-of-way along Webb Road in conformance with the subdivision regulations relating to arterial roads.

Brian Lindebak, MKEC, represented the applicant and stood for questions from the Commission. Chairman Jordan opened the public hearing. No one spoke, so the public hearing was closed.

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The Commission then discussed the application in relation to the Golden Factors and the City's Zoning Code. In support of recommending approval, Commissioners cited the zoning

and uses of nearby properties, the recommendation of permanent staff, Suitability of the subject property for the uses to which it has been restricted, and the length of time the property has been vacant.

MOTION: Chairman Jordan moved that Proposed rezoning from C-1 Neighborhood commercial, office and retail, to R-5 garden and patio homes, townhouses and condominiums uses (Skyview at Webb Addition) be approved as presented with condition of the dedication of right-of-way along Webb Rd in conformance with subdivision regulations related to required arterial right-of-way widths. Commissioner Faber seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0.*

E. SD-24-04- Proposed platting R-5 garden and patio homes, townhouse and condominiums uses (Skyview at Webb Addition).

Brian Lindebak, MKEC, represented the applicant and stood for questions from the Commission. Chairman Jordan opened the public hearing. No one spoke, so the public hearing was closed.

MOTION: Commissioner Faber moved to approve the rezoning application as presented and Commissioner Mackey seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0.*

VII. Approval of the Next Meeting Date.

MOTION: Chairman Jordan to approve the date of the next meeting: January 9, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. Commissioner Faber seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0.*

VIII. Current Events

A. Upcoming Agenda Items: No upcoming items were mentioned.


B. Upcoming Events:

- Saturday, December 7, Christmas in Bel Aire at Bel Aire City Hall, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.
- City Hall will be closed on December 23 – 24, 2024 and January 1, 2025

IX. Adjournment

MOTION: Chairman Jordan moved to adjourn. Commissioner Matzek seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0.*

Approved by the Bel Aire Planning Commission this 9th day of January, 2025.


Phillip Jordan, Chairman