### Notice of Planning and Zoning Commission AGENDA

### March 07, 2023 at 6:00 PM

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a Meeting of the Montgomery Planning and Zoning Commission will be held on **Tuesday, March 07, 2023** at **6:00 PM** at the City of Montgomery City Hall, 101 Old Plantersville Road, Montgomery, Texas.

Members of the public may view the meeting live on the City's website under Agenda/Minutes and then select **Live Stream Page (located at the top of the page).** The Meeting Agenda Pack will be posted online at . The meeting will be recorded and uploaded to the City's website.

### CALL TO ORDER

### VISITOR/CITIZENS FORUM:

Any citizen with business not scheduled on the agenda may speak to the Commission. Prior to speaking, each speaker must be recognized by the Chairman. The Commission may not discuss or take any action on an item but may place the issue on a future agenda. The number of speakers along with the time allowed per speaker may be limited.

### **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:**

- **1.** Approval of the February 7, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes.
- 2. Consideration and possible action on calling Public Hearings to be held on April 4, 2023 related to a rezoning request by Cornerstone Community Church at 14740 Liberty Street, Montgomery, Texas.
- **<u>3.</u>** Consideration and possible action regarding approval of replat of Restricted Reserve "H2" of the Amended Plat of Buffalo Springs Shopping Center Phase 2.
- **<u>4.</u>** Consideration and possible action regarding approval of the Preliminary Plat for Montgomery Bend Section One.
- 5. Consideration and possible action regarding approval of the Preliminary Plat for Montgomery Bend Section Two.
- 6. Consideration and possible action on a recommendation to City Council on minimum lot width, minimum lot area, and side yard setback requirements for R1-Single Family Residential zoning districts within the City of Montgomery.

### **COMMISSION INQUIRY:**

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sect. 551.042 the Planning & Zoning Commission may inquire about a subject not specifically listed on this Agenda. Responses are limited to recitation of existing policy or a statement of specific factual information given in response to the inquiry. Any deliberation or decision shall be limited to a proposal to place on the agenda of a future meeting.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

/s/ Nici Browe, TRMC, City Secretary

I certify that the attached notice of meeting was posted on the bulletin board at City of Montgomery City Hall, 101 Old Plantersville Road, Montgomery, Texas, on March 3, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.

*This facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available. Please contact the City Secretary's office at 936-597-6434 for further information or for special accommodations.* 

### MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

### February 7, 2023

### MONTGOMERY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Waddell declared a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 5:59 p.m.

Present: Jeffrey Waddell William Simpson Britnee Ghutzman Daniel Gazda Merriam Walker

Also Present: Dave McCorquodale, Assistant City Administrator Katherine Vu, PE

### VISITOR/CITIZENS FORUM:

Mr. McCorquodale said no comments were given.

### CONSIDERATOIN AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

1. <u>Consideration and possible action on the Regular Meeting minutes of December 6,</u> 2022 and January 3, 2023.

Daniel Gazda moved to approve the meeting minutes from December 6, 2022 and January 3, 2023 as presented. Britnee Ghutzman seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

2. <u>Consideration and possible action on proposed canopy signage for the Simmons Bank</u> <u>ATM located at 14340 Liberty Street in the Historic Preservation District.</u> Mr. McCorquodale said this was the third sign design submitted for review at the December 6, 2022 meeting. Mr. McCorquodale said the requested changes included the background of the sign color to be gray and the ATM letters to be changed to black.

Britnee Ghutzman moved to approve the sign. Daniel Gazda seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

# 3. <u>Consideration and possible action on proposed signage for Slice of Amish located at</u> 401 College Street, Suite 170 in the Historic Preservation District.

Mr. McCorquodale said the sign was installed but has since been removed due to not having approval from the P&Z Commission. Mr. McCorquodale said the location and appearance of the sign could be an effort to increase visibility.

William Simpson said the sign needs to be characteristic with the rest of the street and be more historic looking.

Jeffrey Waddell said it might help to reduce the size of the sign and put a frame around it.

Mr. McCorquodale said he will meet with the owners of Slice of Amish and discuss some of the points the Commission has mentioned to repackage it and return for approval.

Merriam Walker moved to table the item. Britnee Ghutzman seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

# 4. <u>Consideration and possible action on proposed signage for H-Bistrot located at 401</u> <u>College Street, Suite 150 in the Historic Preservation District.</u>

Mr. Steve Hari, owner of H-Bistrot gave a brief introduction of his business and description of his proposed sign.

William Simpson moved to approve the signage as presented at H-Bistrot located at 401 College Street, Suite 150. Merriam Walker seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

# 5. <u>Consideration and possible action on a revised design for the proposed home at 704</u> Caroline Street located in the Historic Preservation District.

The Selleck's presented their revisions for the proposed home located at 704 Caroline Street.

Britnee Ghutzman said she thinks it is a beautiful property, likes the mixed materials and colors chosen, and thinks the angle windows will be stunning.

Britnee Ghutzman moved to approve the design with angled windows in the rear. Merriam Walker seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

# 6. <u>Consideration and possible action on a recommendation to City Council on a side</u> yard setback variance request for Montgomery Bend, an 80-acre single family <u>residential development.</u>

Mr. McCorquodale said as mentioned in the Feasibility Study these are 45-foot-wide lots. Mr. McCorquodale said one of the things that was not put in the development agreement along with the 45-foot lots were any type of a reduced side yard. Mr. McCorquodale said the side yard is required to be ten feet by the ordinance of a 45-foot lot.

Mr. Connor Young with Pulte Homes of Texas LP presented a brief overview. Mr. Young said they have decided to request a five-foot side yard across the entire development so that as they begin to build homes they will not be limited to one lot or another.

Merriam Walker asked how big the homes are. Mr. Young said the 30-foot-wide homes are between 1,200 to 2,000 square feet and the 35-foot-wide homes are between 1,400 to 2,600 square feet. Mr. Young said they have requested a five-foot side yard across the board so they can fit both products on any lot throughout the development. Mr. Young said

on the lots they build the 30-foot-wide product they can pick one side or split the difference depending on utilities, driveway placement and other conflicts.

Merriam Walker said there is a suggestion that if this is approved other equipment would not be allowed on the reduced side yard. Mr. Young said he believes all of their building products have the air conditioning units and all associated equipment in the back, but he will confirm that.

Merriam Walker asked Mr. McCorquodale if this is something they need to have in writing so that it is adhered to.

Mr. McCorquodale said if that is something Planning and Zoning wanted to do they would make that part of their recommendation. Mr. McCorquodale said since this is being done for the entire subdivision as opposed to a single variance request, Planning and Zoning is acting on it just like it is a variance recommendation. Mr. McCorquodale said what will likely happen is they will go back and amend the development agreement and put that in the development agreement since it does affect the entire subdivision. Mr. McCorquodale said if Planning and Zoning recommended approval of a five-yard side setback and did not want the equipment there, then City Council would need to consider that in making a decision.

Britnee Ghutzman moved to approve the variance request for side lots being reduced to a minimum of five feet with the condition of the equipment being moved to the rear of the property and given recommendation to City Council. William Simpson seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

#### **COMMISSION INQUIRY**:

Jeffrey Waddell said he thinks it would be a good time to have a workshop with City Council, MEDC or both now that there is a new City Administrator.

Jeffrey Waddell asked who is responsible for the sign for the kiosk behind Cozy Grape.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Britnee Ghutzman moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m. William Simpson seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

Prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Diana Cooley, Deputy City Secretary

Chairman Jeffrey Waddell

Attest:

Nici Browe, City Secretary

Montgomery Planning and Zoning Commission

Item 2.

Meeting Date: March 7, 2023

**Prepared By: Dave McCorquodale** 

#### Subject

Consideration and possible action on calling Public Hearings to be held on April 4, 2023 related to a rezoning request by Cornerstone Community Church at 14740 Liberty Street, Montgomery, Texas.

### Recommendation

Call two Public Hearings for April 4, 2023 at 6:00 pm at Montgomery City Hall.

### Discussion

Cornerstone Community Church recently acquired 0.295-acres from the property owner to the south of their church. That property is zoned R1-Single Family Residential. The church has submitted a request to rezone this newly acquired property to I-Institutional. Their existing property is already zoned I-Institutional.

The first step in the rezoning process is for the Planning & Zoning Commission to form a Preliminary Report and hold two Public Hearings on that report. A legal notice is also published in addition to property owners within 200-feet being notified by mail of the subject, time, and location of the Public Hearings. City Council also holds a Public Hearing and receives the P&Z Final Report before acting on the rezoning request.

Approved By		
Assistant City Administrator	Dave McCorquodale	Date: 03/02/2023



# **Rezoning Application**

# Upon completion return application to dmccorquodale@ci.montgomery.tx.us

Contact Information		
Property Owner(s): Cornerstone Community Church of Montgomery		
Address: 14740 Liberty St. Montgomery, Tx		
Zip Code:Phone:281-732-0053		
Email Address:		
Applicants:		
Address:24505 Gay Lake Rd		
Zip Code: 77356 Phone: 281-732-0053		
Email Address: colemang2611@gmail.com		
Parcel Information		
Property Identification Number (MCAD R#): R31340 Legal Description: A0008 - Corner John, TRACT 13, 14-B, ACRES 1.295 Street Address or Location: 14740 Liberty St. Montgomery, Tx 77356 Acreage: .295 Present Zoning: R1-Single Family Residential Present Land Use: Residential Proposed Zoning: I-Institutional Proposed Land Use: Church Is the proposed use in compliance with the Future Land Use Plan? YES NO Additional Information		
Owner(s) of record for the above described parcel:		
Signature: Gerald Coleman Date: 2-27-2023		
Date:		
gnature:Date:		
Note: Signatures are required for all owners of record for the property proposed for Special Use Permit. Attach additional signatures on a separate sheet of paper	er.	
Date Received		

The following information must also be submitted:

[] Cover letter on company letterhead stating what is being asked. [

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[] All applicable fees and payments.

[ ] Copies of all deeds or a title opinion from a licensed attorney establishing current ownership of the property for which the zoning change is sought.

[] A site plan. If there are existing structures, parking, curb cuts and drainage they must be shown.

[] The application from must be signed by the owner/applicant. If the applicant is not the owner, written authorization from the owner authorizing the applicant to submit the rezoning request shall be submitted.

[ ] Payment of all Indebtedness Attributable to the subject property.

# \*Public Hearings\*

Parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard at public hearings conducted by the Planning and Zoning Commission and the City Council before any amendment to a district regulation, restriction, or boundary shall become effective. Regularly scheduled meetings are as follows and will be held accordingly unless public notice has been given of a change of dates:

Planning and Zoning Commission: 1st Tuesday of every month at 6:00 p.m.

City Council: 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month at 6:00 p.m.

# \*Protests\*

If a protest against a proposed zoning change including PDD and SUP requests has been filed with the City Secretary, duly signed and acknowledged by the owners of twenty percent (20%) or more, either of the area of the land included in such a proposed change or those owners of property immediately adjacent to the subject property and extending two hundred feet (200) there from, such zoning change shall not become effective except by a three-fourths (3/4) vote of governing body in accordance with the provisions of Section 211.006 of the Texas Local Government Code.

# \*Resubmission\*

Rezoning requests which have been heard and decided by the Council of the City of Montgomery may not be re-filed with the City for six (6) months after the date of such decision by the Council, absent a change in circumstances.

Rezoning requests for the same property to a different classification than the denied request may be re-filed prior to the expiration of six (6) months.

Montgomery Planning and Zoning Commission

### AGENDA REPORT

Item 3.

Meeting Date: March 7, 2023	Prepared By: Dave McCorquodale

### Subject

Consideration and possible action regarding approval of replat of Restricted Reserve "H2" of the Amended Plat of Buffalo Springs Shopping Center Phase 2.

### Recommendation

Approve the replat as presented.

### Discussion

The engineer's memo is attached. Reserve "H2" is just west of BlueWave Car Wash. The property is being divided into two parcels—one for Popeye's Louisiana Kitchen and one for Dutch Bros. Coffee.

Approved By		
Assistant City Administrator	Dave McCorquodale	Date: 03/03/2023



March 1, 2023

The Planning and Zoning Commission City of Montgomery 101 Old Plantersville Rd. Montgomery, Texas 77316

Re: Submission of Partial Replat Restricted Reserve "H2" of the Amended Plat of Buffalo Springs Shopping Center Phase 2 City of Montgomery

Dear Commission:

We reviewed the Replat submission for the referenced development on behalf of the City of Montgomery. The purpose of the replat is to split reserve H2 into 2 separate parcels to be developed independently as a Popeye's Chicken and a Dutch Brothers Coffee. Our review was based on The City of Montgomery's Code of Ordinances, Chapter 78, Section 63 and any other applicable chapters.

We offer no objection to the replat as submitted, and we recommend the Commission approve the replat.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Chris Roymoney

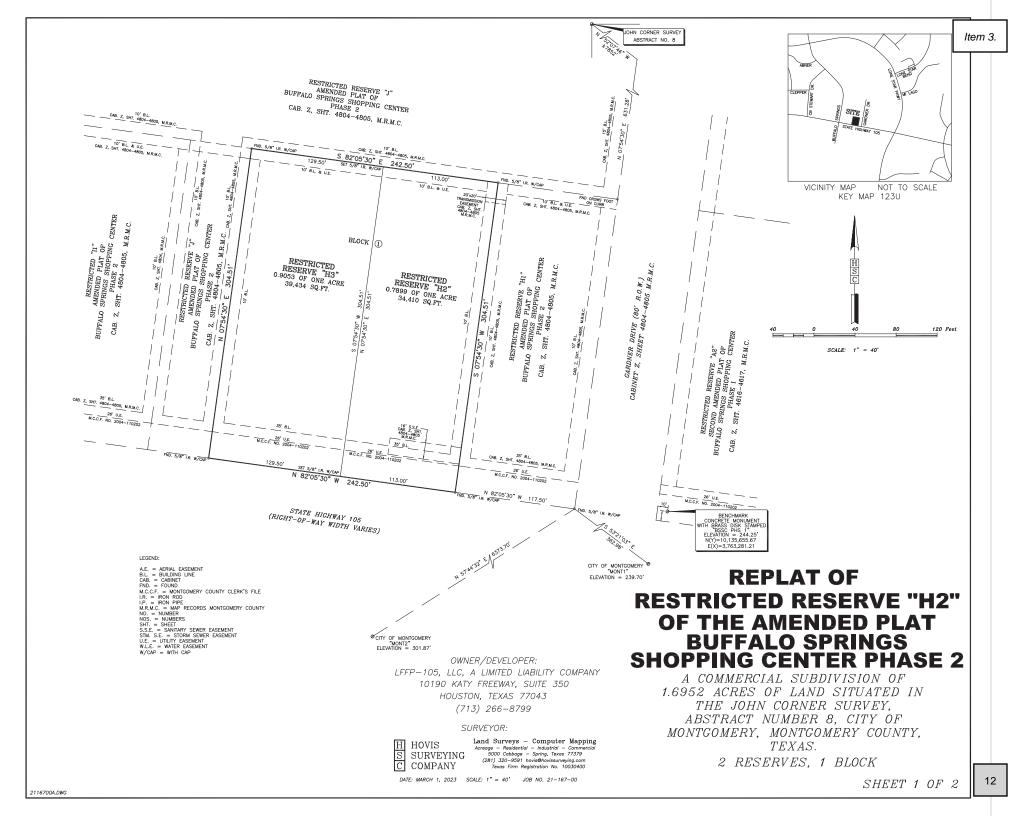
Chris Roznovsky, PE Engineer for the City

CVR/ajn

Z:\00574 (City of Montgomery)\900 General Consultation\Correspondence\2023.03.01 MEMO TO P&Z RE Montgomery Bend Sec.1 Preliminary Plat.docx

Enclosures: Preliminary Plat

Cc (via email): The Honorable Mayor and City Council – The City of Montgomery Mr. Gary Palmer – City of Montgomery, City Administrator Ms. Nici Browe – City of Montgomery, City Secretary Mr. Dave McCorquodale – City of Montgomery, Director of Planning & Development Mr. Alan Petrov – Johnson Petrov, LLP, City Attorney



#### THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

That LFFP-105, LLC, a Texas limited liability company, acting by and through Mohammed Ali Lakhary, Manager, does hereby adopt this plot designating the herein described property ac the AMENDED PLAT OF RESTRUCTED RESERVE "H2" OF THE AMENDED PLAT OF BUFFALO SPRINGS PHASE 2 and does hereby make subdivision of said property according to the lines, streets, alleys, parks and easements therein shown and dedicate to public use forever all arreas shown on this plot streets, alleys, parks and easements, except those specifically indicated as private; and does hereby approved for the streets and ealers dedicated or excanioned by the alteration of the surface of any portion of streets or alleys to conform to such grades and does hereby bind Owner and Owner's successors and assigns to warrant and defind the title to the land so dedicated.

Owner hereby certifies that Owner has or will comply with all applicable regulations of the City of Montgomery, Texas and that a rough proportionality exists between the dedications, improvements and exactions required under such regulations and the projected impact of the subdivision

There is hereby dedicated a 5' aerial easement adjacent to all utility nents shown hereon from a plane 20 feet above the ground designated enseme as "U.E. with A.E.".

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, LFFP-105, LLC, a Texas limited liability company has caused these presents to be signed by Mohammed Ali Lakhany, its Manager, thereunto authorized and its common seal hereto affixed this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

LFFP-105, LLC, a Texas limited liability company

By:\_\_\_\_\_ Mohammed Ali Lakhany, Manager

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

BEFORE WE, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Mohammed All Lokhamy, Manager of LFPP-105, LLC, a texas limited liability company, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the some for the purposes and considerations therein expressed.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_

> Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

My Commission expires:\_\_\_\_

SURVEYOR'S CERTIFICATION

That I, Harry H, Hovis, IV, do hereby certify that I prepared this plot from an actual and accurate survey of the land and that the corner monuments shown thereof were properly places under my personal supervision, in accordance with the subdivision regulations of the City of Montgomery, Texas

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Harry H. Hovis IV Registered Professional Land Surveyor Texas Registration No. 4827

CITY OF MONTGOMERY

I, the undersigned, Engineer for the City of Montgomery, hereby certify that this subdivision plat conforms to all requirements of the subdivision regulations of the City as to which his approval is required.

Chris Roznovsky, P.E. City Engineer City of Montgomery

I, the undersigned, City Administrator for the City of Montgomery, hereby certify that this subdivision plat conforms to all requirements of the subdivision regulations of the City as to which his approval is required.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_. 2023

Gary Palmer City Administrator City of Montgomery CITY OF MONTGOMERY

This plat and subdivision has been submitted to and considered by the city planning and zoning commission, and is hereby approved by such commission.

Dated This \_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_ \_, 2023

Jeffrey Waddell Chairperson Planning and Zoning Commission

This plat and subdivision has been submitted to and considered by the city council of the City of Montgomery, Texas, and is hereby approved by such council.

Dated This \_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023

By:\_\_\_\_\_ Bryon Sanford Mayor ATTEST

CITY OF MONTGOMERY

Nicola Browe City Secretary

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

I, L. Brandon Steinmann, Clerk of the County Court of Montgomery County, Texas, do hereby certify that the within instrument with its certificate of authentication was filed for registration in my office on \_\_\_\_, 2023, at \_ \_\_\_\_, 2023, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, \_\_\_M., and duly recorded \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2023, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, \_\_\_M. in Cabinet \_\_\_\_\_\_, of the Map Records of said County. Sheets

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE, at Conroe, Montgomery County, Texas, the day and date last above written.

L. Brandon Steinmann, Clerk, County Court Montgomery County, Texas

\_\_\_ Deputy

OWNER/DEVELOPER: LFFP-105, LLC, A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

10190 KATY FREEWAY. SUITE 350

HOUSTON. TEXAS 77043

(713) 266-8799

Land Surveys - Computer Mapping

Acreage – Residential – Industrial – Commercial 5000 Cabbage – Spring, Texas 77379

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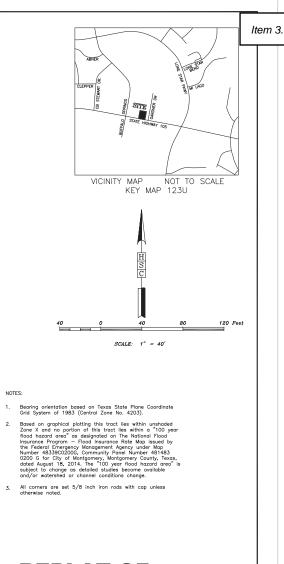
SURVEYOR:

DATE: MARCH 1, 2023 SCALE: 1" = 40' JOB NO. 21-167-00

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### **REPLAT OF RESTRICTED RESERVE "H2" OF THE AMENDED PLAT BUFFALO SPRINGS SHOPPING CENTER PHASE 2**

A COMMERCIAL SUBDIVISION OF 1.6952 ACRES OF LAND SITUATED IN THE JOHN CORNER SURVEY. ABSTRACT NUMBER 8. CITY OF MONTGOMERY, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS.

2 RESERVES, 1 BLOCK

SHEET 2 OF 2

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Item 4.

Montgomery Planning and Zoning Commission

## AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: March 7, 2023

**Prepared By: Dave McCorquodale** 

### Subject

Consideration and possible action regarding approval of the Preliminary Plat for Montgomery Bend Section One.

### Recommendation

Approve the Preliminary Plat for Montgomery Bend Section One.

### Discussion

The engineer's memo is attached. As noted in the memo, the developer will change the plat drawing to show 5-foot side yards as approved by city council. This will not affect the number or layout of lots and will be corrected before they submit the Final Plat for review.

Approved By		
Assistant City Administrator	Dave McCorquodale	Date: 03/03/2023



March 1, 2023

The Planning and Zoning Commission City of Montgomery 101 Old Plantersville Rd. Montgomery, Texas 77316

Re: Submission of Preliminary Plat Montgomery Bend Sec.1 (Dev. No. 2203) City of Montgomery

Dear Commission:

We reviewed the preliminary plat submission for the referenced development on behalf of the City of Montgomery (the "City"). Our review was based on the City's Code of Ordinances, Chapter 78 Section 60 and any other applicable chapters. Our review was also based upon the approved development regulations included as part of the development agreement between the Developer and the City.

The developer intends to plat the property with 5' sideyard setbacks as approved as part of the development agreement on February 14, 2023. The 5' sideyard setbacks are not currently shown but will be shown on the final plat. We offer no objection to the preliminary plat as submitted, and we recommend the Commission approve the preliminary plat.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Chris Rommet

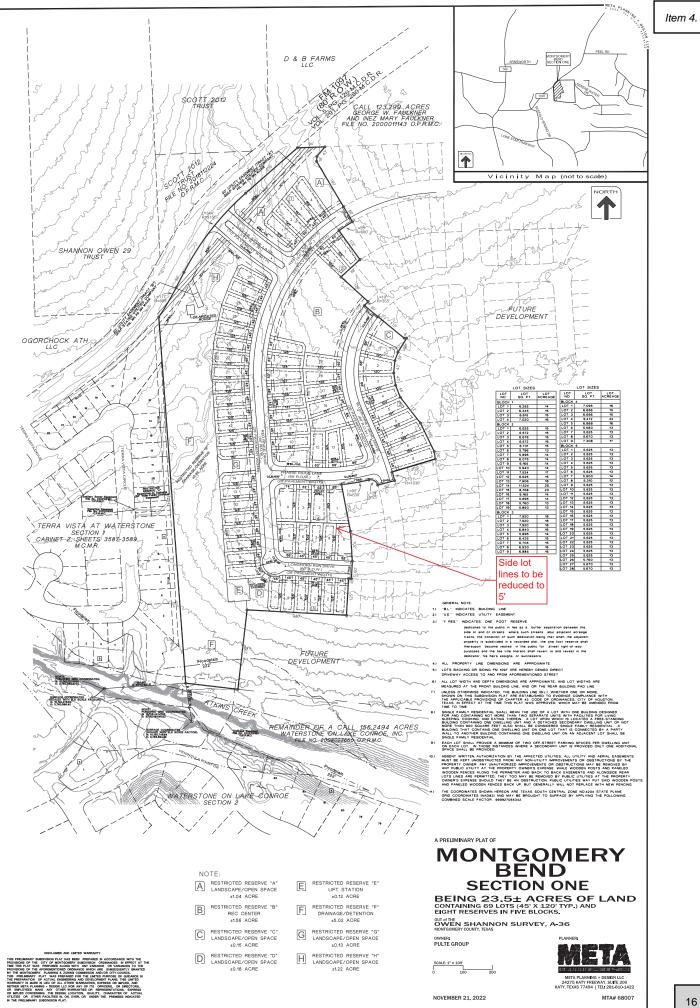
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Enclosures: Preliminary Plat

Cc (via email): The Honorable Mayor and City Council – The City of Montgomery Mr. Gary Palmer – City of Montgomery, City Administrator Ms. Nici Browe – City of Montgomery, City Secretary Mr. Dave McCorquodale – City of Montgomery, Director of Planning & Development Mr. Alan Petrov – Johnson Petrov, LLP, City Attorney Item 4



Montgomery Planning and Zoning Commission

# AGENDA REPORT

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Meeting Date: March 7, 2023	Prepared By: Dave McCorquodale

### Subject

Consideration and possible action regarding approval of the Preliminary Plat for Montgomery Bend Section Two.

### Recommendation

Approve the Preliminary Plat for Montgomery Bend Section Two.

### Discussion

The engineer's memo is attached.

### **Approved By**

Assistant City Administrator	Dave McCorquodale	Date: 03/03/2023



March 1, 2023

The Planning and Zoning Commission City of Montgomery 101 Old Plantersville Rd. Montgomery, Texas 77316

Re: Submission of Preliminary Plat Montgomery Bend Sec.2 (Dev. No. 2203) City of Montgomery

Dear Commission:

We reviewed the preliminary plat submission for the referenced development on behalf of the City of Montgomery (the "City"). Our review was based on the City's Code of Ordinances, Chapter 78 Section 60 and any other applicable chapters. Our review was also based upon the approved development regulations included as part of the development agreement between the Developer and the City.

We offer no objection to the preliminary plat as submitted, and we recommend the Commission approve the preliminary plat.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Chris Rommet

Chris Roznovsky, PE Engineer for the City

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Enclosures: Preliminary Plat

Cc (via email): The Honorable Mayor and City Council – The City of Montgomery

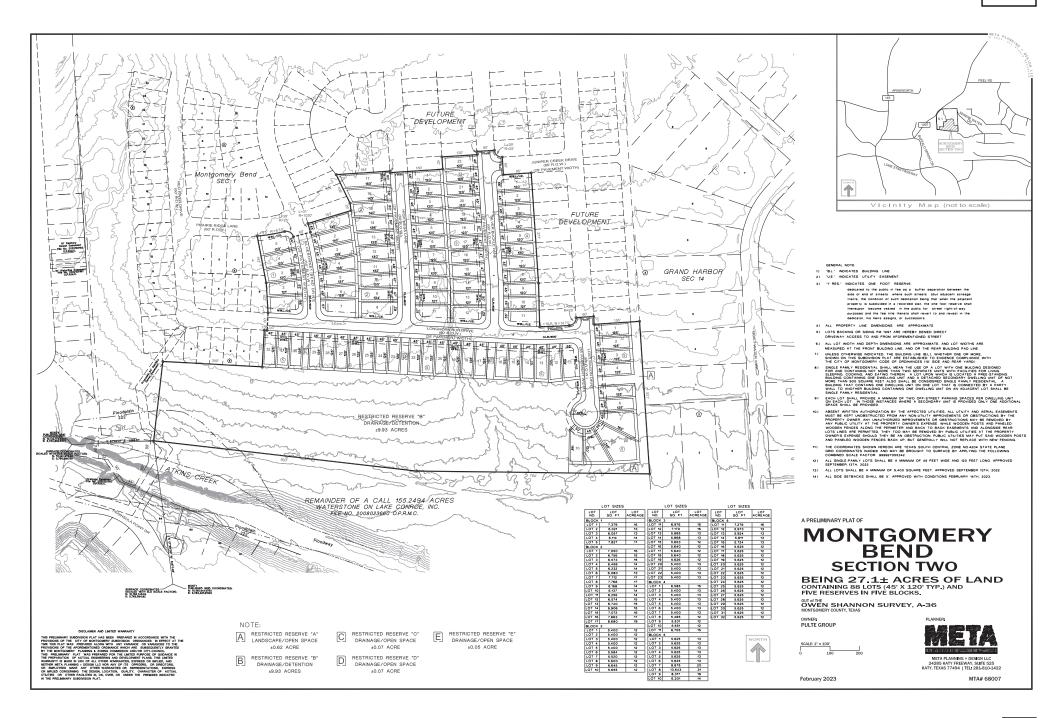
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Item 5.



Item 6.

Montgomery Planning and Zoning Commission

### AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: March 7, 2023

**Prepared By: Dave McCorquodale** 

#### Subject

Consideration and possible action on a recommendation to City Council on minimum lot width, minimum lot area, and side yard setback requirements for R1-Single Family Residential zoning districts within the City of Montgomery.

### Recommendation

Form a recommendation on minimum lot width, area, and side yard setback for City Council.

### Discussion

The City Council has asked to amend the minimum residential lot width to better reflect current development patterns and reduce the need for variance requests by developers. Lot width requirements are also related to lot area and side yard setbacks.

CURRENT lot size requirements	PROPOSED lot size requirements
Lot width = $75$ feet	Lot width = 60 feet
Lot area = $9,000$ square feet	Lot area = $7,200$ square feet
Side yard setback $= 10$ feet	Side yard setback = 5 feet

No change is recommended to the current lot depth requirement of 120 feet. This is a reduction of 20% in the minimum lot size. A graphic is attached to illustrate the proposed changes. One policy change for future developments and building permits related to setbacks, and particularly side yard setbacks is the definition of a structure. The Code of Ordinances defines a structure as:

*Structure* means anything constructed or erected which requires location on the ground, <u>or attached to</u> <u>something having a location on the ground</u>, including, but not limited to, buildings of all types, advertising signs, billboards, and poster panels, but exclusive of customary fences, or boundary or retaining walls. (Section 98-1)

Past residential construction has allowed air conditioners, generators, pool equipment, etc. within side yard setbacks. This contradicts the underlined portion of the definition above. The City will be notifying homebuilders for existing subdivisions as well as new developers that we will no longer allow these type of appurtenances in side yards. The primary reason for doing so is safety—if a lot has a 5-foot side yard with a 3-foot AC unit in it there is not adequate room for emergency responders to access the rear of the property from any side of the house. Generators and pools are typically installed after home construction and there's no guarantee that they'd be installed on the same side of the house as AC units. This leaves a potential for both side yards to be partially blocked.

Approved By		
Assistant City Administrator	Dave McCorquodale	Date: 03/02/2023



