



STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: August 31, 2023

TITLE:

Hold public hearing and consider action on a recommendation for the Reed Ranch Zoning Concept Scheme, changing the zoning for 24.04 acres out of the Nancy Blakey Survey from P2 Rural to a Planned Development District (PDD) with a P4 Mix base zoning, as shown on Attachment 2, located at 615 W Highway 71, within the city limits of Bastrop, Texas.

STAFF REPRESENTATIVE:

Kennedy Higgins – Planner, Development Services

ITEM DETAILS:

Site Address: 615 W Highway 71, Bastrop TX
Total Acreage: 24.04 acres
Acreage Rezoned: 24.04 acres
Legal Description: 24.04 acres out of the No. 98 Nancy Blakey Survey

Property Owner: Charles G. Rosanky Family Trust
Agent Contact: Charley Dorsaneo / Drenner Group

Existing Use: Vacant/Undeveloped
Existing Zoning: P2 Rural
Proposed Zoning: Planned Development District, P4 Core Base Zoning
Character District: Cattleman's
Future Land Use: Transitional Residential

BACKGROUND:

The applicant has applied for a Planned Development District (PDD) with a P4 Mix base zoning to appropriately incorporate multi-family housing which coincides with Transitional Residential as defined by our Future Land Use plan.

The existing land use is classified as P2 – Rural. However, the future land use map calls for “transitional residential” as defined below.

Place Type 4 – Mix is defined in the code as:

“More intense Building Types that provide more lifestyle choices. It provides for a mix of Residential Building Types. Commercial and Office uses are allowed in this District only in House form Structures. Because P4 is a transition area, the Street Types consists of multimodal Streets, but are primarily Residential urban fabric.”

The Future Land Use Plan shows this area as Transitional Residential:

“The Transitional Residential character area is for lands to be developed with higher densities and a variety of housing types. The character area supports high density single-family detached, single-family attached (duplexes, triplexes, townhouses) and multifamily (apartments), and institutional residential uses such as nursing homes and assisted living facilities.”

Infrastructure	Available (Y/N)	Proposed
Water	Y	Line Extensions
Wastewater	Y	Line Extensions
Drainage	Y	Storm sewer, detention pond
Transportation	Y	Extension, private drive, widening
Parks and Open Space	Y	Pond with Trails

Drainage

A Zoning Concept Scheme must be accompanied by a Conceptual Drainage Plan to ensure that the proposed development is feasible. A Conceptual Drainage Plan has been reviewed and approved by the City Engineer. The site includes one central location for detention in the natural flow of the land in the southeast corner of the tract. The maximum impervious cover allowed in Place Type 4 is 70%. This development proposes 62.9%.

Utilities

Wastewater and water service (domestic and fire) will be provided the City of Bastrop via line extensions from existing infrastructure located on Settlement Drive. These lines will be designed according to the City’s construction standards, as well as the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality’s (TCEQ) requirements. The line sizes for capacity and service are 8” for water and 6” for wastewater.

Electric service provided by Bluebonnet Electric.

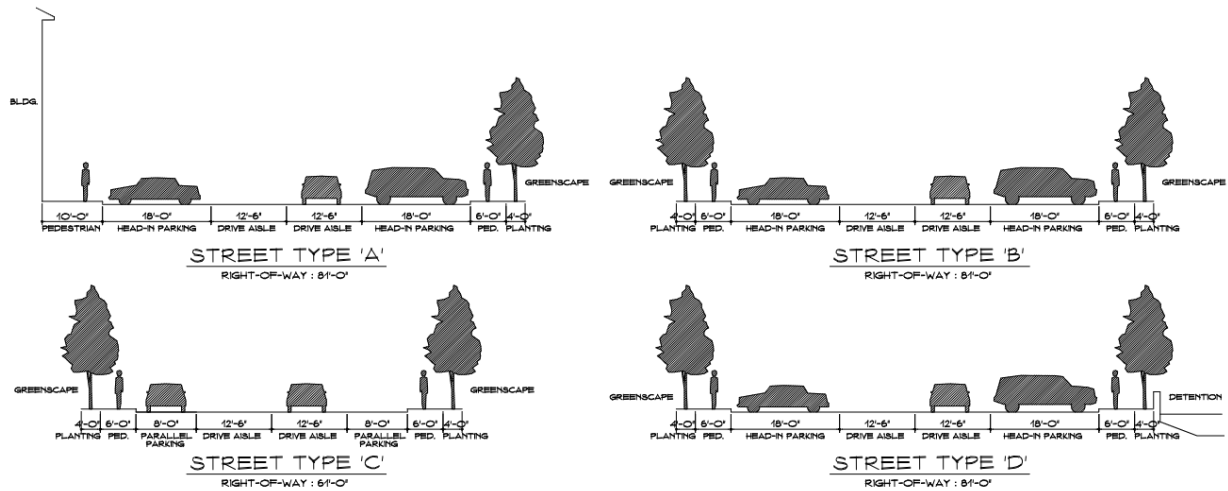
Gas will be provided by Center Point Energy.

Traffic Impact and Streets

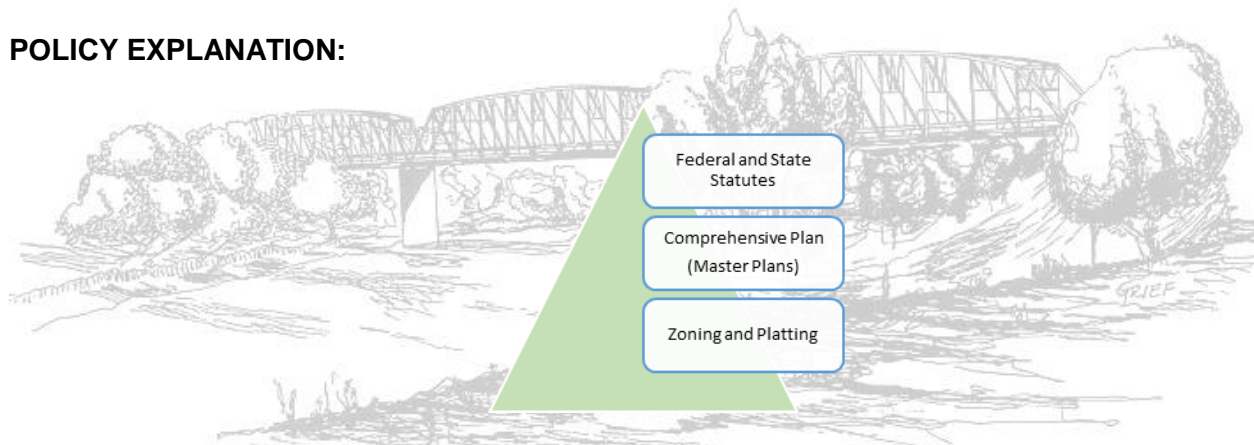
This zoning concept plan creates a series of internal private drives, connection between Settlement Road and Jessica Place, includes Right of Way dedication for an extension of Blakey Lane eastward, and creating a new street between Old Austin Highway and Blakey Lane. A private drive resembling a typical city street will run amidst the development, stretching from Settlement Road to Jessica Place.



This drive will be adorned with trees, sidewalks, and construction adhering to standard guidelines, complete with appropriate lighting. Moreover, it seamlessly aligns with the master transportation plan, ensuring effective connectivity. The main access points to the development will be off Blakey Lane and future connection to Old Austin Highway. The proposed standard street cross sections being used in the design are cross sections A, B, C, and D. The street design will follow the B3 Code, Section 7.3 for design and layout. A Traffic Impact Analysis Threshold Worksheet has been conducted and completed on behalf of the Drenner Group. The TIA shows a total of 627 units with an Average Daily Trip Rate of 6.74 and 4226 Average Daily Trips. The peak hours will be in the afternoon/evening totaling 320 trips per hour. Staff will continue to develop private street standards that meet or exceed the industry standards along with easements needed for public infrastructure.



POLICY EXPLANATION:



Texas Local Government Code

Sec. 211.006. PROCEDURES GOVERNING ADOPTION OF ZONING REGULATIONS AND DISTRICT BOUNDARIES. (a) The governing body of a municipality wishing to exercise the authority relating to zoning regulations and zoning district boundaries shall establish procedures for adopting and enforcing the regulations and boundaries. A regulation or boundary is not effective until after a public hearing on the matter at which parties in interest and citizens have an opportunity to be heard. Before the 15th day before the date of the hearing, notice of the time and place of the hearing must be published in an official newspaper or a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality.

Zoning Change signs were visibly placed in the front of the property and notice was sent to property owners within 200 feet of the property boundary.

(b) In addition to the notice required by Subsection (a), a general-law municipality that does not have a zoning commission shall give notice of a proposed change in a zoning classification to each property owner who would be entitled to notice under Section 211.007(c) if the municipality had a zoning commission. That notice must be given in the same manner as required for notice to property owners under Section 211.007(c). The governing body may not adopt the proposed change until after the 30th day after the date the notice required by this subsection is given.

N/A. Bastrop is not a general-law municipality.

(c) If the governing body of a home-rule municipality conducts a hearing under Subsection (a), the governing body may, by a two-thirds vote, prescribe the type of notice to be given of the time and place of the public hearing. Notice requirements prescribed under this subsection are in addition to the publication of notice required by Subsection (a).

Notice of the meeting was posted at least 72 hours in advance.

(d) If a proposed change to a regulation or boundary is protested in accordance with this subsection, the proposed change must receive, in order to take effect, the affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of all members of the governing body. The protest must be written and signed by the owners of at least 20 percent of either:

(1) the area of the lots or land covered by the proposed change; or

(2) the area of the lots or land immediately adjoining the area covered by the proposed change and extending 200 feet from that area.

(e) In computing the percentage of land area under Subsection (d), the area of streets and alleys shall be included.

At the time of this report, no protest has been received.

(f) The governing body by ordinance may provide that the affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of all its members is required to overrule a recommendation of the municipality's zoning commission that a proposed change to a regulation or boundary be denied.

If the Planning & Zoning Commission recommends denial of the zoning request, the City Council must have a minimum vote of 4 out of 5 members to approve the zoning request.

At least 5 members of the Planning & Zoning Commission must vote to make an official recommendation to the City Council. Failure to reach five vote means no official recommendation can be forwarded, but this does not impact the City Council's vote requirement to approve or deny the request.

Compliance with 2036 Comprehensive Plan:

The Transitional Residential character area is for lands to be developed with higher densities and a variety of housing types. The character area supports high density single-family detached, single-family attached (duplexes, triplexes, townhouses) and multifamily (apartments), and institutional residential uses such as nursing homes and assisted living facilities. Variation in form, scale, and density is allowed but appropriate transitions must be provided between land uses. In some cases, Transitional Residential uses may be included as part of a larger planned development within areas otherwise designated as Neighborhood Residential. Like, Transitional Residential character areas may also include associated amenities such as parks, trails, open spaces, and public uses such as schools, fire stations, and more.

Representative land uses that are appropriate in Transitional Residential include multifamily apartments which are proposed within Reed Ranch.

RECOMMENDATION:

The applicant has applied for a Zoning Concept Scheme for Reed Ranch (Attachment 2). The proposal is to place a Planned Development District (PDD) with a P4 Mix base zoning to appropriately incorporate multi-family housing which coincides with Transitional Residential as defined by our Future Land Use plan.

Staff will continue to develop private street standards that meet or exceed the industry standards along with easements needed for public infrastructure.

The action is to rezone the base from P2 to a PDD with a P4 base zoning.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Attachment 1: Location Map
- Attachment 2: Zoning Concept Scheme
- Attachment 3: Future Land Use Map
- Attachment 4: Development Standards Warrant List

