

Southfork Acres 2nd Subdivision Major Plat staff report

- To: City of Dickinson Planning & Zoning Commission
- From: City of Dickinson Community Development Services
- **Date:** March 5, 2024

Re: PLP-003-2024 Southfork Acres 2nd Subdivision Preliminary Plat

APPLICANT'S REPRESENTATIVE

OWNER/APPLICANT

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Public Hearing	March 13, 2024	Planning and Zoning Commission
Public Reading	April 10, 2024	Planning and Zoning Commission
Final Consideration	April 16, 2024	City Commission

The request from the applicant is to consider a Preliminary Plat being a re-plat of Lot 1A Block 2 of Southfork Acres Subdivision, a parcel of land located in the SE ¼ of section 16, Township 139 north, Range 96W, of the 5th principal meridian. The subject property is located in the City of Dickinson's Extra Territorial Zone, and it is located just outside of Urban Service Area according to the map in Chapter 6 Infrastructure of the City of Dickinson Comprehensive Plan. Said property contains +/- 51.11 acres.

The preliminary subdivision plat proposes to re-plat Lot 1B of the Southfork Acres Subdivision and to create nine Agriculture (AG) zoned lots ranging in area from 5.02 acres to 7.50 acres. Additionally, the applicant seeks to establish multiple easements to allow for the propagation of utilities, water services, and access with a north-south orientation.

Per Chapter 34 Subdivision of Land of the City of Dickinson Municipal Code, as the proposed plat requires the dedication of public rights-of-way; and as the proposed plat consists of more than four lots, the proposed plat is subject to the major subdivision process.



Public Comments: As of the time of this report, staff has not received any comments from the public.

Community Development Services staff recommends approval of PLP-003-2024.

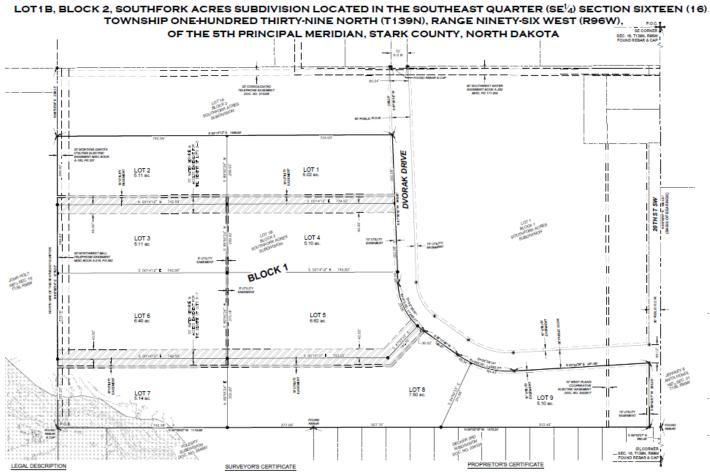
LOCATION

The property is generally located south of City of Dickinson incorporate limits, approximately 350ft west of Highway 22.





SOUTHFORK ACRES 2ND SUBDIVISION





CURRENT ZONING	Agricultural (AG)
FUTURE LAND USE MAP DESIGNATION	RESIDENTIAL
GROSS SITE ACREAGE	51.11 acres
LOTS PROPOSED	Nine

NEARBY ZONING & LAND USE		
Direction	Zoning	Land Use
North	R-2, GC	Undeveloped residential. Two general commerc
East	AG	Undeveloped
		Single-family
South	AG	residential structure
		Single-family residential, floodplain
West	R-1	Undevelopable portions.

Analysis: City engineering staff reviewed the plat and has no comments. Planning staff reviewed the plat and expressed concerns to the applicant's representative regarding the size of the intended lots. Each lot would accommodate one single-family detached house and therefore the average acreage per residence would exceed 5 acres. This may lead to development patterns effects such as limiting opportunities for residential infill development, efficient expansion of roadways, and efficient provision of utilities services. Furthermore, approving what is proposed to be rural residential-sized lots for residential purposes, as a general trend, may increase the travel time per automobile trip. Staff recommended rezoning the property to residential, which would reconcile with the City of Dickinson's Comprehensive Plan's Future Land Use Map. At the April 2024 Planning and Zoning Commission meeting, it was requested the applicant rezone the property to rural residential. Staff also communicated to the applicant the desire to consider the proposed 70' water service & access easements shown on the preliminary plat to be future rightof-way. A development agreement, to be filed at the time of the final plat filing, shall include a section waiving the property owner's rights to protest a future right-of-way dedication at the time the City of Dickinson foresees it be beneficial for the future development of the property to the north of this plat.

Compliance with Zoning and Subdivision Regulations:

Approval of this plat would result in legal conformity with both Chapter 34 Subdivision and Chapter 39 Zoning.



It appears that surrounding properties had been master planned circa 1985 with the intention of providing future roadways pursuant to the purpose statements of the Ch.34 Subdivision of the municipal code:

Consistency with the Comprehensive Plan

While the Comprehensive Plan does not explicitly prohibit the platting of an agricultural-zoned subdivision in the RESIDENTIAL Future Land Use Map (FLUM) designation, the proposed plat runs against the intent of the RESIDENTIAL FLUM designation as described in Policy 1.1.2 of the Comprehensive Plan Land Use chapter:

Policy 1.1.2. – Residential: The residential designation is intended for a wide variety of residential uses at varying densities. Recreational and compatible civic uses are allowable. Limited commercial and office uses may be allowed at neighborhood center locations.

This as an issue, along with the platting of large lot subdivisions in the ETZ, which should be addressed in the upcoming Comprehensive Plan update.

Public Input: As of the date of this report, City staff has not received any public comments.

APPENDICES

Appendix A – Future Land Use Map



Future Land Use





Appendix B – Zoning Map







MOTIONS:

Approval

"I move the City of Dickinson Planning and Zoning Commission recommend approval of **PLP-003-2024 Dickinson South Cemetery Second Subdivision** *as meeting all the requirements of the Dickinson Municipal Code and also being in the interest of the public health, safety and welfare "*

(AND) the following additional requirements (IF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS ANY ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS TO THE PROPOSED MOTION LANGUAGE):

Denial

"I move the Dickinson Planning and Zoning Commission recommend Denial of **PLP-003-2024 Dickinson South Cemetery Second Subdivision** as NOT meeting all the requirements of the Dickinson Municipal Code and as being contrary to interest of the public health, safety and welfare."