

# CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE ORDINANCE

**MEETING DATE:** 02/04/2025

**REQUESTER:** Monica Espinoza, Administrative Supervisor

**PRESENTER:** Savannah Ware, AICP, Chief City Planner

TITLE: CPA-24-09-0013 - Comprehensive Plan Amendment - 509 Austin St

(City Council District 5). Comprehensive Plan Amendment to change the Future Land Use Map from High Density Residential to Low Density Residential on 0.17 acres. A portion of Lot 3, Block B, Bairds Dallas Addition, City of Grand Prairie, Dallas County, Texas, zoned Central Area District and Two Family Residential District, and addressed as 509 Austin St (On January 13, 2025, the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval by a vote of 8-0)

**APPLICANT:** Mike Arreguin, Applicant

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Staff is unable to support the request because it is inconsistent with the

Future Land Use Map (FLUM).

Please note, the FLUM is not the property zoning, it is the

recommended future land use for potential development per the city's

comprehensive plan.

### **SUMMARY:**

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# **PURPOSE OF REQUEST:**

The existing lot is currently vacant and the applicant desires to construct a single family residence on the lot, which requires a zoning change. This request is to change the FLUM designation from High Density Residential to Low Density Residential to better align with the proposed development.

#### CONFORMANCE WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:

Future Land Use Map

The Future Land Use Map (FLUM) is designed to facilitate the efficient, sustainable, and fiscally sound development and redevelopment of Grand Prairie. The purpose of FLUM is to serve as an outlook for the future use of land and the character of development in the community. The FLUM, along with other community objectives, is used to guide land use decisions.

High Density Residential is reflective of multi-family apartments. Depending on location, densities in high density residential may vary significantly. Garden style apartments have densities between 12 and 20 dwelling units per acre. Newer construction, particularly if a mixed-use configuration, have densities above 20 dwelling units per acre. The following are policies to guide high density residential areas:

- They are appropriate along major collector or arterial roadways.
- They serve as a buffer between commercial or retail uses and lower density residential areas.

Low Density Residential represents a traditional single-family detached neighborhood. Low density areas generally range between zero and six dwelling units per acre.

Any amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and accompanying Future Land Use Map are required to be reviewed by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Section 1.11.5.1 of the Unified Development Code of the City of Grand Prairie, Texas stipulates that the Planning and Zoning Commission shall conduct a public hearing and make recommendations to the City Council on amendments to the Comprehensive Plan.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

- On January 13, 2025, the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval by a vote of 8-0.
- Staff is unable to support the request because it is inconsistent with the FLUM.

Please note, the FLUM is not the property zoning, it is the recommended future land use for potential development per the city's comprehensive plan.

#### **BODY:**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS AMENDING THE 2021 FUTURE LAND USE MAP, A COMPONENT OF THE 2018 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, TO CHANGE THE CLASSIFICATION OF 0.17 ACRES BEING A PORTION OF LOT 3, BLOCK B, BAIRDS DALLAS ADDITION, CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS, FROM HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL; AND MAKING THIS ORDINANCE CUMULATIVE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND TO BECOME EFFECTIVE UPON ITS PASSAGE AND APPROVAL

**WHEREAS**, Section 1.11.5.1 of the Unified Development Code of the City of Grand Prairie, Texas stipulates that the Planning and Zoning Commission shall conduct a public hearing and make recommendations to the City Council on amendments to the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, notice was given of a public hearing on proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan Amendment to be held by the Planning and Zoning Commission of Grand Prairie, Texas, in the City Hall Plaza Building, at 6:30 P.M. on January 13, 2025, such Notice of the time and place of such hearing having

been given at least ten (10) days prior to such hearing by publication in the Fort Worth Star Telegram, Fort Worth, Texas, a newspaper of general circulation in such municipality; and

**WHEREAS**, after consideration of said amendment, the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Grand Prairie, Texas voted 8 to 0 to recommend approval to the City Council of Grand Prairie, Texas, that said Comprehensive Plan Amendment should be approved since its provisions are in the public interest and will promote the health, safety and welfare of the community; and

WHEREAS, Notice was given of a further public hearing to be held by the City Council of the City of Grand Prairie, Texas, in the City Hall Plaza Building, at 6:30 P.M. on February 4, 2025, to consider the advisability of amending the Comprehensive Plan, such Notice of the time and place of such hearing having been given at least fifteen (15) days prior to such hearing by publication in the Fort Worth Star Telegram, Fort Worth, Texas, a newspaper of general circulation in such municipality.

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS THAT:

**SECTION 1.** The 2021 Future Land Use Map, a component of the 2018 Comprehensive Plan for the City of Grand Prairie, be amended, revised, and described as follows:

A. Change the Future Land Use classification from High Density Residential to Low Density Residential on 0.17 acres. A portion of Lot 3, Block B, Bairds Dallas Addition, City of Grand Prairie, Dallas County, Texas, zoned Central Area District and Two Family Residential District, addressed as 509 Austin St and depicted in Exhibit A – Location Map and Exhibit B – Survey, attached hereto and incorporated herein.

**SECTION 2.** The terms and provisions of this Ordinance are severable and are governed by Section 1-4 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Grand Prairie, Texas.

**SECTION 3.** The Unified Development Code of the City of Grand Prairie, as amended, shall be and remain in full force and effect save and except as amended by this Ordinance.

**SECTION 4.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances not consistent or conflicting with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed. Provided that such repeal shall be only to the extent of such inconsistency and in all other respects this Ordinance shall be cumulative of other ordinances regulating and governing the subject matter covered in this Ordinance.

**SECTION 5.** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS, THIS THE 4TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2025.

**ORDINANCE NO. X-2025** 

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