

CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE COMMUNICATION

MEETING DATE: 12/17/2024

REQUESTER: Monica Espinoza, Administrative Supervisor

PRESENTER: Savannah Ware, AICP, Chief City Planner

TITLE: STP-24-09-0038 - Site Plan - Oakdale 2 Industrial (City Council

District 1). Site Plan for an industrial warehouse on 29.17 acres. Tracts 1-5, 1.2, 12-13, 17-19, & 23, John Farrans Survey, Abstract No. 468, City of Grand Prairie, Dallas County, Texas, zoned Light Industrial and Planned Development No. 221 (PD-221), and approximately addressed

as 468 Oakdale Road (On November 11, 2024, the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval by a vote of 7-0)

APPLICANT: Sara Raines

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve

SUMMARY:

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PURPOSE OF REQUEST:

The applicant intends to construct two speculative industrial warehouse buildings that will be 155, 603 sq. ft. and 113,014 sq. ft. on 29.17 acres. City Council must approve a Site Plan for any project involving industrial uses. Development at this location requires City Council approval of a Site Plan because the property is for industrial uses.

The purpose of site plan approval is to ensure that development meets requirements in the Unified Development Code (UDC), provides adequate circulation, and uses quality site planning techniques. The UDC identifies criteria for evaluating proposed developments. Criteria include density and dimensional standards, and landscaping and screening requirements.

ADJACENT LAND USES:

The following table summarizes the zoning designation and existing use for the surrounding properties.

Table 1. Adjacent Zoning and Land Uses

| Direction | Zoning | Existing Use |
|-----------|--------|----------------------------------|
| North | PD-221 | Undeveloped, Floodway/Bear Creek |
| South | PD-39 | Industrial |
| West | LI | Single Family Residential |
| East | C, LI | Undeveloped |

PROPOSED USE CHARACTERISTICS AND FUNCTION:

The applicant intends to construct two speculative industrial warehouse buildings that will be 155, 603 sq. ft. and 113,014 sq. ft. in size. The site will be accessible from East Oakdale Road. The truck docks of Building A are located to the north of the building, and the trucks docks for Building B are located to the east of the building. The truck docks for Building A will be well screened from the roadway by the primary building. The trucks docks for Building B will be screened by a wing wall along East Oakdale Road.

ZONING REQUIREMENTS:

Density and Dimensional Requirements

Development is subject to Article 6 standards in the UDC. The following table evaluates the density and dimensional standards of the proposed development. The proposal meets the density and dimensional requirements.

Table 2. Site Data Summary

| Standard (LI) | Required | Provided | Meets | |
|-------------------------|----------|-----------|-------|--|
| Min. Lot Area (Sq. Ft.) | 15,000 | 1,270,719 | Yes | |
| Min. Lot Width (Ft.) | 100 | 820 | Yes | |
| Min. Lot Depth (Ft.) | 150 | 461 | Yes | |
| Front Setback (Ft) | 25 | 25 | Yes | |
| Side Setback (Ft.) | 25 | 25 | Yes | |
| Max. Height (Ft.) | 50 | 47.5 | Yes | |
| Max. Floor Area Ratio | 1:1 | 0.21:1 | Yes | |

Landscaping Requirements

The property is subject to landscape and screening requirements in Article 8 of the UDC. The following table summarizes the landscaping requirements. The site meets these requirements.

Table 3. Landscape & Screening Requirements

| Standard | Required | Provided | Meets |
|----------------|----------|----------|-------|
| Area (Sq. Ft.) | 73,616 | 141,112 | Yes |
| Trees | 160 | 163 | Yes |
| Shrubs | 1472 | 1,618 | Yes |

Open Space Area

The applicant is proposing 1.15 acres of open space. The open space will consist of 1,149 linear feet of walking trails with 16 bench seats, 8,520 sq. ft. of garden area, and a water feature.

Tree Survey & Tree Mitigation Plan

The applicant provided a tree survey and preservation plan as required by Article 8. The applicant is removing 1,635.1 caliper inches of protected trees, which requires mitigation. The applicant is planting new trees and paying mitigation fees to mitigate the trees being removed.

Table 4. Tree Mitigation

| Protected Trees Requiring Mitigation (Caliper Inches) | 1,635.1 |
|---|------------|
| New Trees (Caliper Inches) | 486 |
| Preserved Desirable Trees (Caliper Inches) | 0 |
| Mitigation Fees (Caliper Inches) | 1,149.1 |
| Mitigation Fee to be Paid | \$ 229,820 |

Parking Requirements

The proposal meets the required total parking spaces. The following table summarizes the parking requirements.

Table 5a. Required Parking - Building A

| Use | Standard | Required | Provided |
|------------------|---|----------|----------|
| Warehouse/Office | 20 + 1 space per 5000 sq. ft. + 1 space per | 80 | 162 |
| | 1000 sq. ft. + 3 loading spaces | | |

Table 5b. Required Parking – Building B

| Use | Standard | Required | Provided |
|------------------|---|----------|----------|
| Warehouse/Office | 20 + 1 space per 5000 sq. ft. + 1 space per | 61 | 96 |
| | 1000 sq. ft. + 3 loading spaces | | |

Exterior Building Material & Design

Industrial buildings greater than 50,000 sq. ft. are subject to the requirements in Appendix X of the UDC. Appendix X requires that primary facades include at least three design elements and secondary facades include at least two design elements. The exterior of both buildings is 100% masonry consisting of concrete tilt-wall panels. Accent features on the primary facades include vertical and horizontal articulation, accent lighting, and a glass curtain wall. The tables below evaluate the design elements for the building. The proposed building elevations meet Appendix X requirements.

Table 6a. Building Design Elements - Building A

| Facade | Type | a. | b. | c. | d. | e. | f. | gį | h. | i. | Total Elements | Meets |
|--------|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----------------|-------|
| North | Secondary | X | | | X | | | | | | 2 | Yes |
| South | Primary | | X | | | X | X | | | | 3 | Yes |
| West | Secondary | X | | | X | | | | | | 2 | Yes |
| East | Secondary | X | | | X | | | | | | 2 | Yes |

Table 6b. Building Design Elements – Building B

| Facade | Type | a. | b. | c. | d. | e. | f. | g. | h. | i. | Total Elements | Meets |
|--------|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----------------|-------|
| North | Secondary | X | | | X | | | | | | 2 | Yes |
| South | Primary | | X | | | X | X | | | | 3 | Yes |
| West | Secondary | X | | | X | | | | | | 2 | Yes |
| East | Secondary | X | | | X | | | | | | 2 | Yes |

VARIANCES:

The following variance is requested:

1. <u>Retaining Wall Max Height</u> – Variance to the maximum height to allow a retaining wall that exceeds eight feet. The proposed retaining wall has a height of 11 feet.

RECOMMENDATION:

- On November 11, 2024, the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval by a vote of 7-0.
- The Development Review Committee (DRC) recommends approval.