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Huerfano County Planning Commission Staff Report – Permit # LU-25-003 Meeting Type – Public Hearing

Meeting Date: April 10, 2025

Request Summary

With this Application LU-25-003 John Webb (the Applicant) requests the following:

The applicant John Webb, is seeking a lot line vacation (lot consolidation) as stated in Section 2.15 of the Land Use Regulations.

The subject property is zoned Urban Residential. Zoning standards for this district are set forth in LUR Section §1.03.02: UR Urbanizing Residential District. This district is created to accommodate the urbanizing areas of Huerfano County where relatively high density residential and associated commercial and service development has occurred, is occurring or is desired to occur.

Minimum district size: 10 acres Minimum lot area: ½ acre Minimum lot width: 50 feet Front yard setback: 20 feet Side yard setback: 10 Rear yard setback: 20 feet Maximum structure height: 40 feet (refer to Comprehensive plan, page 4, "Residential Use") Maximum lot coverage: 30 percent For uses allowed by right, conditional uses and prohibited uses see Section 1.05.

A letter was issued to referral agencies as well as the adjacent property owners on March 14, 2025; no objections were voiced from the three referral agencies that responded.

A Public Hearing Notice appeared in the World Journal March 20, 2025.

Background

On March 14, 2025, the applicant submitted an application for the removal of a lot line between his two parcels 163114 and 163115 (located in Black Diamond Block 5) to consolidate into one parcel. The proposed plat amendment was received on March 14th, 2025 from John Webb done by BH2 Surveying. The Applicant was invoiced on April 4, 2025 an application fee of \$200.00, plus fees for public noticing of \$33.48, and notifying adjacent owners for \$48.50.

Code References

The following Code Sections are applicable to this application and may be referenced by Huerfano County Land Use Regulations:

2.15.03 Criteria for Action on a Vacating Application

All actions by the Planning Commission in reviewing and making recommendations on an application to vacate an approved and recorded plat or easement and by the Board of County Commissioners in approving or disapproving such applications, shall be based in general upon the provisions of these regulations and specifically upon the following criteria:

- 1. That the proposed vacating would not interfere with development of nor deny access via a public thoroughfare to existing structures within the recorded plat, adjoining properties, utility services or other improvements, nor deny access to structures, facilities or sites located beyond the plat or easement to be vacated.
- 2. That the proposed vacating would not cause undue hardship or inconvenience for any utility company, special district, neighboring landowner or tenant.
- 3. That the proposed vacating would not be likely to prove detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare of County residents.
- 4. That the proposed vacating would be consistent with all other provisions in these regulations.
- 5. That the proposed vacating would not cause undue financial hardship to Huerfano County nor deprive it of needed tax base.
- 2.15.04 Vacating of Roads, Streets and Highways

Any conflicting provisions contained within these regulations, notwithstanding the procedures for vacating roads, streets and highways shall conform to the provisions contained in Section 43-2- 301, et seq. Colorado Revised Statutes.

Staff Recommendation:

- 1. Approval- without any special conditions.
- 2. Conditional- approval with a description of the special conditions.
- **3. Denial** indicating for the record the reason(s) for such action.
- 4. Continuation- until a future date to gather more information or obtain clarification or for any other

Planning Commission:

Board of County Commissioners:

Enclosures

- Application Materials:
 - 1. Land Use Application
 - 2. Proof of Ownership
 - 3. Letters from Referral Agencies

