

**CITY OF MERIDIAN  
FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW  
AND DECISION & ORDER**



**In the Matter of the Request for a Modification to the Existing Development Agreements (H-2015-0019: Brighton Investments, LLC – Inst. #2016-007072; SCS Brighton, LLC – Inst. #2016-007073; Murgoitio Limited Partnership – Inst. #2016-007074) to Replace the Agreements with One New Agreement Based on the Proposed Development Plan; Rezone of 384.97 acres of Land from the R-4 to the R-8 (144.78 + 119.28 = 264.06 acres), R-15 (76.93 acres) and C-C (43.28 acres) Zoning Districts; Preliminary Plat Consisting of 120 Residential Buildable Lots, 11 Commercial Buildable Lots and 14 Common Lots on 41.75 Acres of Land in the C-C and R-15 Zoning Districts; and Preliminary Plat Consisting of 237 Residential Buildable Lots, 2 Commercial Buildable Lots, 30 Common Lots and 10 Other (Shared Driveway) Lots on 81.63 Acres of Land in the C-C and R-8 Zoning Districts, by Brighton, Murgoitio, et al.**

**Case No(s). H-2020-0066; H-2020-0056; H-2020-0057**

**For the City Council Hearing Date of: August 11, 2020 (Findings on August 25, 2020)**

**A. Findings of Fact**

1. Hearing Facts (see attached Staff Report for the hearing date of August 11, 2020, incorporated by reference)
2. Process Facts (see attached Staff Report for the hearing date of August 11, 2020, incorporated by reference)
3. Application and Property Facts (see attached Staff Report for the hearing date of August 11, 2020, incorporated by reference)
4. Required Findings per the Unified Development Code (see attached Staff Report for the hearing date of August 11, 2020, incorporated by reference)

**B. Conclusions of Law**

1. The City of Meridian shall exercise the powers conferred upon it by the “Local Land Use Planning Act of 1975,” codified at Chapter 65, Title 67, Idaho Code (I.C. §67-6503).
2. The Meridian City Council takes judicial notice of its Unified Development Code codified as Title 11 Meridian City Code, and all current zoning maps thereof. The City of Meridian has, by ordinance, established the Impact Area and the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Meridian, which was adopted December 17, 2019, Resolution No. 19-2179 and Maps.
3. The conditions shall be reviewable by the City Council pursuant to Meridian City Code § 11-5A.
4. Due consideration has been given to the comment(s) received from the governmental subdivisions providing services in the City of Meridian planning jurisdiction.
5. It is found public facilities and services required by the proposed development will not impose expense upon the public if the attached conditions of approval are imposed.

6. That the City has granted an order of approval in accordance with this Decision, which shall be signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and then a copy served by the Clerk upon the applicant, the Community Development Department, the Public Works Department and any affected party requesting notice.
7. That this approval is subject to the Conditions of Approval all in the attached Staff Report for the hearing date of August 11, 2020, incorporated by reference. The conditions are concluded to be reasonable and the applicant shall meet such requirements as a condition of approval of the application.

#### C. Decision and Order

Pursuant to the City Council's authority as provided in Meridian City Code § 11-5A and based upon the above and foregoing Findings of Fact which are herein adopted, it is hereby ordered that:

1. The applicant's request for a modification to the existing Development Agreements, Rezone and Preliminary Plats is hereby approved per the provisions in the Staff Report for the hearing date of August 11, 2020, attached as Exhibit A.

#### D. Notice of Applicable Time Limits

##### Notice of Preliminary Plat Duration

Please take notice that approval of a preliminary plat, combined preliminary and final plat, or short plat shall become null and void if the applicant fails to obtain the city engineer's signature on the final plat within two (2) years of the approval of the preliminary plat or the combined preliminary and final plat or short plat (UDC 11-6B-7A).

In the event that the development of the preliminary plat is made in successive phases in an orderly and reasonable manner, and conforms substantially to the approved preliminary plat, such segments, if submitted within successive intervals of two (2) years, may be considered for final approval without resubmission for preliminary plat approval (UDC 11-6B-7B).

Upon written request and filed by the applicant prior to the termination of the period in accord with 11-6B-7.A, the Director may authorize a single extension of time to obtain the City Engineer's signature on the final plat not to exceed two (2) years. Additional time extensions up to two (2) years as determined and approved by the City Council may be granted. With all extensions, the Director or City Council may require the preliminary plat, combined preliminary and final plat or short plat to comply with the current provisions of Meridian City Code Title 11. If the above timetable is not met and the applicant does not receive a time extension, the property shall be required to go through the platting procedure again (UDC 11-6B-7C).

##### Notice of Development Agreement Duration

The city and/or an applicant may request a development agreement or a modification to a development agreement consistent with Idaho Code section 67-6511A. The development agreement may be initiated by the city or applicant as part of a request for annexation and/or rezone at any time prior to the adoption of findings for such request.

A development agreement may be modified by the city or an affected party of the development agreement. Decision on the development agreement modification is made by the city council in accord with this chapter. When approved, said development agreement shall be signed by the property owner(s) and returned to the city within six (6) months of the city council granting the modification.

A modification to the development agreement may be initiated prior to signature of the agreement by all parties and/or may be requested to extend the time allowed for the agreement to be signed and returned to the city if filed prior to the end of the six (6) month approval period.

E. Notice of Final Action and Right to Regulatory Takings Analysis

1. The Applicant is hereby notified that pursuant to Idaho Code 67-8003, denial of a development application entitles the Owner to request a regulatory taking analysis. Such request must be in writing, and must be filed with the City Clerk not more than twenty-eight (28) days after the final decision concerning the matter at issue. A request for a regulatory takings analysis will toll the time period within which a Petition for Judicial Review may be filed.
2. **Please take notice** that this is a final action of the governing body of the City of Meridian. When applicable and pursuant to Idaho Code § 67-6521, any affected person being a person who has an interest in real property which may be adversely affected by the final action of the governing board may within twenty-eight (28) days after the date of this decision and order seek a judicial review as provided by Chapter 52, Title 67, Idaho Code.

F. Attached: Staff Report for the hearing date of August 11, 2020

By action of the City Council at its regular meeting held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT TREG BERNT VOTED\_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT BRAD HOAGLUN VOTED\_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL MEMBER JESSICA PERREAULT VOTED\_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL MEMBER LUKE CAVENER VOTED\_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL MEMBER JOE BORTON VOTED\_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL MEMBER LIZ STRADER VOTED\_\_\_\_\_

MAYOR ROBERT SIMISON VOTED\_\_\_\_\_  
(TIE BREAKER)

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Mayor Robert Simison

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chris Johnson  
City Clerk

Copy served upon Applicant, Community Development Department, Public Works Department and City Attorney.

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk's Office