



STAFF REPORT

TO: New Meadows City Council

FROM: New Meadows City Staff

REPORT DATE: April 17, 2024

MEETING DATE: May 28, 2024

SUBJECT: Zone Change & Subdivision Preliminary Plat

ACTION: Approve / Deny / Table Zone Change & Preliminary Plat

SUMMARY: The purpose of this application is to consider a request to change the zoning of a portion of Parcel 1 and Parcel 2 on North Peterson Memorial from current Central Business District (CBD) and Industrial to Residential Three (R-3).

OWNER: R & A Construction Management, LLC

APPLICANT: Rob & Angie Ellsworth

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Situated at the NW 1/4 of Section 24 in Township 19 North, Range 1 East of Boise Meridian, Virginia Avenue of the New Meadows Townsite, City of New Meadows, Adams County, Idaho. And the NW 1/4, Block 6 and 20 and the Freight Depot of New Meadows Townsite lying in Section 24 in Township 19 North, Range 1 East of the Boise Meridian, Adams County, Idaho.

TOWNSITE: RPM00000243751

CURRENT ZONING DISTRICT: Central Business District / Industrial

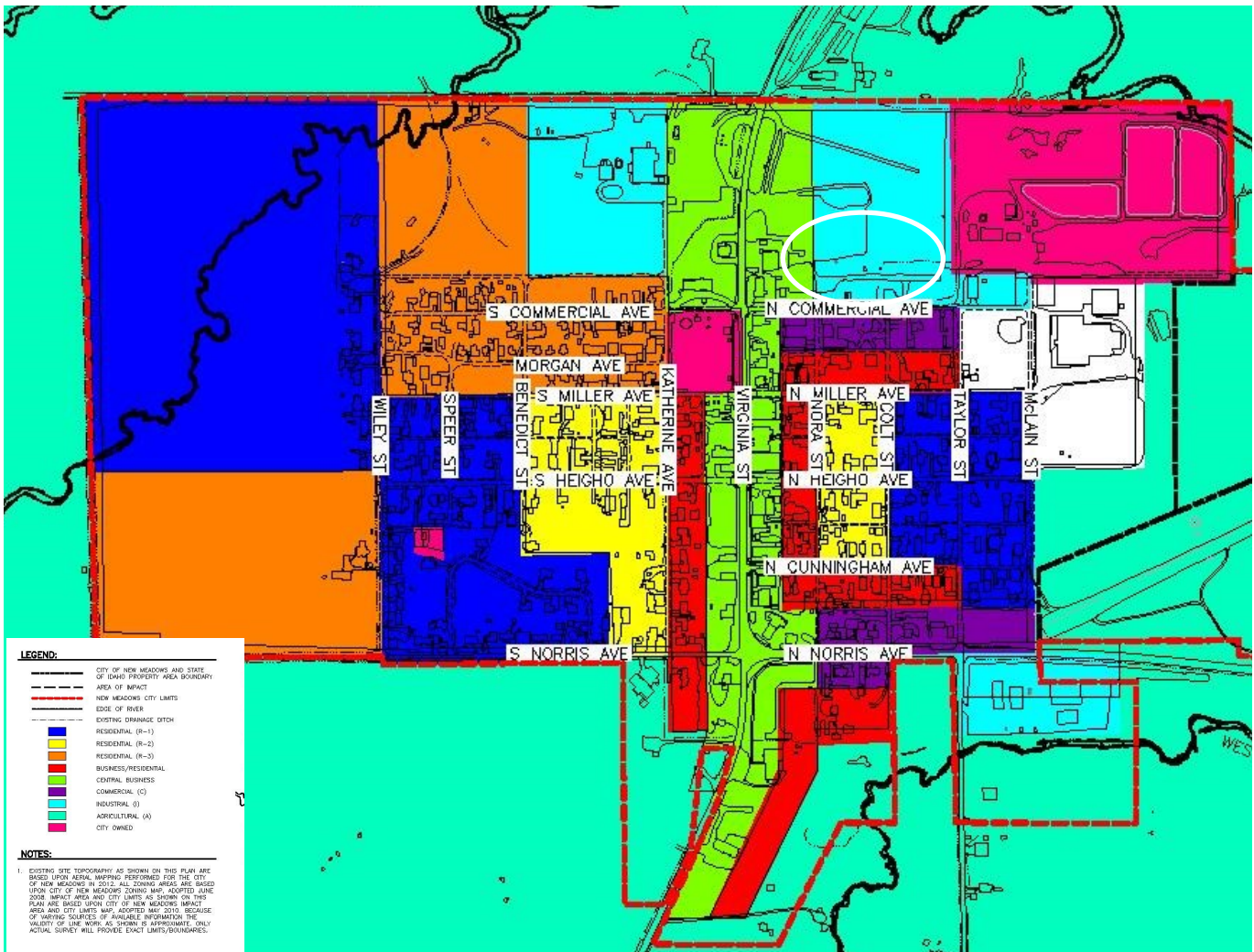
PROPOSED ZONING DISTRICT: Residential Three (R-3)

PROPERTY SIZE: Approximately 17.74acres

VICINITY MAP



CURRENT ZONING MAP



BACKGROUND

This piece of land that is located along North Peterson Memorial was previously own by J.I Morgan since the 1940's and used as their laydown yard.

R&A Construction Management , LLC are requesting approval for a Zone Change and Preliminary Plat for Phase 1 of the Meadows Subdivision Application for a twenty-eight (28) Lot single-family subdivision which occupies a portion of the 17.74 total acres. Lot sizes would range from 0.20 acres to 0.34 acres. The current zoning is Industrial and Central Business District. The proposed zoning is Residential Three (R-3) and a portion will remain Central Business District.

CURRENT / PROPOSED ZONING

Current Zone - Central Business District / Industrial :

The southern portion of the parcel is zoned Central Business District. The majority of the parcel is currently zone Industrial.

The Purpose of the Industrial District is to “ *provide for and encourage the grouping together of light industrial uses capable of being operated under such standards as to location and appearance of buildings and treatment of land about them that they will be unobtrusive and not detrimental to surrounding uses*” (New Meadows City Code).

The purpose of the Central Business District is to “*provide a location for groups of compatible commercial uses having the common characteristics of not involving more than incidental and minimal assembly, fabrication or storage of commodities; for example, enterprises dispensing retail commodities and those providing professional and personal services to the individual. The Central Business District is the most intensive commercial district that promotes pedestrian use*” (New Meadows City Code).

Proposed Zone - Residential Three (R-3) :

The proposed rezone would change all of Parcel 1 & Parcel 2 to Residential Three (R-3).

The Residential Three District “is to preserve and enhance residential neighborhoods in accordance with the comprehensive plan, provide for high density residential development and, in certain appropriate areas, upon City approval, permit mobile home park development.” (Ord. 313-08, 6-9-2008)

R-3 Residential District Area Requirements:

- One single-family dwelling shall have a lot with a minimum of six thousand (6,000) square feet.
- A two-family dwelling (duplex) shall have a lot with a minimum of eight thousand (8,000) square feet.

A multi-family dwelling may be allowed by conditional use permit, but the development shall not exceed fifteen (15) dwelling units, and each unit above two (2) shall require an additional one thousand two hundred fifty (1,250) square feet of lot over and above the eight thousand (8,000) square feet required for a two-family dwelling.

Site Area Requirements

The following site area requirements apply to the R-3 High Density Residential District;

Footprint:

The footprint of the primary structure plus the accessory structures shall have a maximum lot coverage of no more than fifty percent (40%).

Parking:

Two (2) off street parking spaces per dwelling unit are required. Lots on arterial and collector streets shall have alleys to provide off street parking in the rear of the lot.

Sidewalk:

An 5- foot (5') wide sidewalk shall be required at the edge of the street right-of-way abutting each lot. The lot owner/renter shall be responsible for keeping the sidewalk clear and open for pedestrian traffic and for the maintenance, up keep and reconstruction of said sidewalk. (Ord. 313-08, 6-9-2008)

Setbacks:

Front Yard: Fifteen feet (15')

Side Yards: Ten feet (10')

Rear Yard: Fifteen feet (15')

No building within the Business Residential District shall be constructed greater than a height than exceed thirty five feet (35'). (Ord. 313-08, 6-9-2008)

All new buildings and structures, other than single-family homes, in the R-3 District are subject to design review by the City Planning and Zoning Commission and City Council and shall meet the design review guidelines as set forth in chapter 4 of this title.

REVIEW CRITERIA

Conditions may be attached to a Quasi- Judicial approval (or recommendation) including, but not limited to, conditions that:

- A. Minimize adverse impact on other development;
- B. Control the sequence and timing of development;
- C. Control the duration of development;
- D. Assure that development is maintained properly;
- E. Designate the exact location and nature of development;
- F. Require the provision of on-site or off-site public facilities or services;
- G. Require more restrictive standards than those generally required in this Land Development Code;
- H. Require mitigation of effects of the proposed development upon service delivery by any governmental agency/district, including school districts, providing services within the planning jurisdiction.

Development Agreements

- A. A development agreement, as specified in Sec. 67- 6511A, Idaho Code, is allowed as a condition of a Rezone Map amendment or Subdivision .

Rezone Application Review

This review is intended to provide standards and oversight to mitigate negative effects a change in zoning may have on the public, neighborhood, or surrounding property owners. Recommendations and decisions of the Council shall be made a matter of public record in accordance with sections 67-6511, 67-6519 and 67-6535 of the Idaho Code.

Approval Criteria for a Rezone Map Amendment

1. The Zoning Map Amendment substantially conforms to the Comprehensive Plan.
2. The Zoning Map Amendment substantially conforms to the stated purpose and intent of the New Meadows Zoning Code.
3. This rezone will reinforce the existing or planned character of the area.
4. The subject property is appropriate for development allowed in the proposed district.

5. There are substantial reasons why the property cannot be used according to the existing zoning.
6. There is a need for the proposed use at the proposed location.
7. The City and other service providers will be able to provide sufficient public facilities and services including schools, roads, recreation facilities, wastewater treatment, water supply and stormwater facilities, police, fire and emergency medical services, while maintaining sufficient levels of service to existing development.
8. The rezone will not significantly impact the natural environment, including air, water, noise, stormwater management, wildlife and vegetation.
9. The rezone will not have a significant adverse impact on property in the vicinity of the subject property.

Approval Criteria for the Subdivision Preliminary Plat

1. The conformance of the subdivision with the City zoning ordinance.
2. The availability of public services to accommodate the proposed development.
3. The continuity of the proposed development with the City's capital improvements.
4. The public financial capability of supporting services for the proposed development.
5. The other health, safety or environmental problems that may be brought to the Council's attention.
6. The direction provided by the goals and policies of the New Meadows Comprehensive Plan.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

The following information regarding housing is found in the Comprehensive Plan.

Housing Goal Statement

To provide housing opportunities within the community to meet the needs of individuals of all socio-economic backgrounds, the elderly, and the disabled. Along with ensuring decent and safe housing in sufficient quantity to accommodate the various housing needs of present and future residents of New Meadows.

Objectives

X Create an environment where a variety in type, size, cost, and location of housing will be encouraged.

X Avoid unnecessary development of agricultural land or land with valuable natural or historic features by residential development.

X Encourage the upgrade and maintenance of the existing housing.

X Maintain a proper environment for residential purposes in all residential zones.

Provide for lower income housing such as mobile home parks, manufactured housing subdivisions, and manufactured housing on private lots.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN HOUSING IMPLEMENTATION

1. Sufficient undeveloped land within and adjacent to the city should be available for future residential uses. Designating land for residential uses is the first step in making lands for residential development available. Substantially more land than will actually be needed must be made available to give locational choice, to account for landowners not wishing to develop, to account for undevelopable land due to floodplains, drainages and steep slopes, and to maintain reasonable land prices. Currently within city limits there is approximately 140 acres of undeveloped land that is zoned to allow residential construction.

2. Lengthy extension of road and utilities could encourage sprawl and needless interruption of agricultural lands and should be avoided. The city encourages a careful approach that can balance residential and agricultural needs.

3. Flexibility in developmental regulations should be provided to allow a greater variety of housing and to make more efficient use of the land.

4. The city should encourage safe,

sanitary, and attractive housing that enhances the general appearance of the neighborhood and the community.

5. Excessive land requirements for residential developments should be avoided.

6. Land requirements for residential construction should be examined carefully by the city for excessive demands. Minimum lot size is the major land requirement. Other regulations affecting the amount of land necessary for development are minimum street and lot widths and requirements for setbacks, off-street parking, and usable open space.

PUBLIC COMMENT

A public hearing notice was mailed to property owners within 300' of the subject property, posted on site, and published in the newspaper. As of the date of this report, no public comment has been received.

FINDINGS OF FACT FOR APPROVAL / DENIAL

The Council will record findings of fact for their decision based on the review criteria found in the New Meadows City Code and Idaho State Code.

COUNCIL MOTION

Approve:

- I move to approve the rezoning of a portion of Parcel 1 & Parcel 2 located along North Peterson memorial, from Central Business District / Industrial to Residential Three (R-3). The approval is based on the findings of fact that the rezone complies with the goals and objectives of the Comprehensive Plan and complies with the approval criteria as outlined in the Staff Report.

Approve with Conditions

- I move to approve the rezoning of a portion of Parcel 1 & Parcel 2 located along North Peterson Memorial from Central Business District/Industrial to Residential Three (R-3). The approval is based on the findings of fact that the rezone complies with the goals and objectives of the Comprehensive Plan and complies with the approval criteria as outlined in the Staff Report. The approval is subject to the following conditions, which will be memorialized in a Development Agreement. (List conditions)

Table the Decision and Request more information

- I move to table the decision for a Rezone of a portion of Parcel 1 & 2 along Peterson Memorial and request the following additional information.

Deny:

- I move to deny the rezoning of a portion of Parcel 1 & 2 along Peterson Memorial from Central Business District / Industrial to Residential Three (R-3). The denial is based on the findings of fact that the rezone does NOT comply with the goals and objectives of the Comprehensive Plan and does NOT comply with the approval criteria as outlined in the Staff Report. (List areas not in compliance)

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COUNCIL MOTION

Approve:

- I move to approve the Preliminary Plat for the proposed Meadows Subdivision on Parcel 1 & 2 along Peterson Memorial . The approval is based on the findings of fact that the rezone complies with the goals and objectives of the Comprehensive Plan and complies with the approval criteria as outlined in the Staff Report.

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