

ZONING MAP CHANGE STAFF REPORT

City Council Meeting Date: Council District 6

March 2, 2021

Continued Yes No X

Case Manager Laura Evans

Surplus Yes No X

Council Initiated Yes No X

Owner / Applicant: Gabriel Southwest LLC

Site Location: 9500 - 9700 blocks Brewer Boulevard Acreage: 19.001

Proposed Use: Detached Multifamily

Request: From: "C" Medium Density Multifamily

To: Planned Development for all uses in "D" High Density Multifamily plus detached

multifamily use, with development regulations for building orientation, fencing, and open space; waiver to MFD submittal for cottage community only; site plan included

Land Use Compatibility: Requested change is compatible.

Comprehensive Plan Consistency: Requested change is consistent.

Staff Recommendation: Approval

Background:

The requested zoning change is located south of the intersection of McPherson Road and Brewer Road, both streets on the Master Thoroughfare Plan. The property is currently zoned "C" Medium Density Multifamily. The applicant is proposing a zoning change to "PD/D" with development standards in order to create a detached multifamily development.

The applicant is proposing a zoning change to create a detached multifamily development. These types of developments are entire communities and neighborhoods that look and feel like a traditional single family neighborhood. Although most are rental, some may be rent-to-own or condominium. Like other multifamily developments, they are professionally managed and include amenities. These developments provide renters with an option that looks and feels like a single family neighborhood. According to the National Association of Home Builders, 37,000 of these units were built in 2017 and 43,000 in 2018 nationwide. Although the national trend has slowed recently, an increase has been seen in Fort Worth.

As none of the city's districts can accommodate this form by right, a Planned Development (PD) with new development regulations is necessary to allow this form. In this case, the developer has provided a list of development regulations that will be part of this Planned Development. The developer has provided specific site amenities in order to meet their enhanced landscaping requirements, found in section IV.c of the development standards. The development is requesting waivers to setback standards.

Below is a chart that illustrates the differences between the base "C" regulations and the proposed PD.

Requirement	C Standards	Proposed PD/D
Density	Maximum 24 units per acre	13 units per acre (complies)
Height	Maximum height 36'	Unit height 10'1" Maximum height 36' (complies)
Building Orientation	Longest length of the building must face the street	Buildings have varying lengths facing the street
		(requires Development Regulation Standard)
Required Yards	Front Yard: 20' minimum Rear Yard: 5' minimum Interior Side Yard: 5' minimum Corner lot side yard: 20' minimum	Front Yard: 10' Rear Yard: 10' Side Yard: 10' Corner Yard: 10'
	adjacent to side street	(requires Development Regulation Standard)
Fences	Fences shall not be located in the area between building facades and the property line; Exterior security fences and gates that are located along public streets, along a public access	Fencing may be located between the buildings and ROW
	easement, or along publicly accessible open space shall not extend beyond building facades.	(requires Development Regulation Standard)
Minimum Parking Requirements	4	416 bedrooms – 416 spaces
	1 space per bedroom; 1 space per 250 square feet of office/amenity area	5000 sf of common area – 20 spaces
	Spaces required: 190	(Complies - Spaces provided: 434)
Open Space	Minimum 45%	25% minimum
		(requires Development Regulation Standard)
Landscaping	Must meet 20 points of enhanced landscaping	Developer will meet enhanced landscaping requirements, per note on site plan.
Multifamily Design Standards	Submit MFD plan to meet standards	MFD Submittal not required (requires Development Regulation Standard)

Site Information:

Surrounding Zoning and Land Uses:

North "E" Neighborhood Commercial / undeveloped
East "C" Medium Density Multifamily / undeveloped
South "C" Medium Density Multifamily / undeveloped
West "C" Medium Density Multifamily / undeveloped

Zoning History: None

Site Plan Comments:

The site plan as submitted is not in general compliance with the Zoning Ordinance regulations.

- Site has fencing placed between the buildings and street. (requires Development Regulation Standard)
 - a. Due to the similar nature of detached multifamily to single family developments, staff does not have an issue with the placement of fencing between the building and the street.
- Site does not meet building orientation requirement. (requires Development Regulation Standard)
 - a. A majority of the buildings have the longer side facing the street. Additionally, the placement of a fence between the building and the street lessens the importance of this requirement.
- 3. Site does not meet required setbacks of front or corner yards. *(requires Development Regulation Standard*)
 - The bulk and height of the proposed buildings are smaller than those seen in typical multifamily developments. The setbacks are similar to those of a single family development
- 4. Applicant is requesting a waiver to the MFD Submittal. *(requires Development Regulation Standard)*
 - a. Due to the unique nature of detached multifamily developments, staff does not feel that the MFD submittal is necessary for development.

(Comments made by Platting (Subdivision Ordinance), Transportation/Public Works, Fire, Park & Recreation, and Water Department staff <u>cannot be waived</u> through the Zoning Commission and City Council. Approval of the zoning site plan does not constitute the acceptance of conditions.)

Public Notification:

300 foot Legal Notifications were mailed on January 22, 2021.

The following organizations were notified: (emailed January 19, 2021)

Organizations Notified		
Panther Heights NA	District 6 Alliance	
Streams And Valleys Inc	Trinity Habitat for Humanity	
Crowley ISD		

^{*}Located within this Neighborhood Association

Development Impact Analysis:

1. Land Use Compatibility

The applicant is proposing to change the zoning to PD/D for a detached multifamily development. The site is surrounded by undeveloped land.

The proposed use is compatible with surrounding uses.

2. Comprehensive Plan Consistency – Far Southwest

The 2020 Comprehensive Plan designates the subject property as Medium Density Multifamily. The proposed use meets the below policies within the following Comprehensive Plan:

- Encourage new development adjacent and connected to previously developed or
 platted areas in order to utilize existing utility and road infrastructure and services,
 thereby optimizing public and private investments and discouraging sprawl
 development.
- Separate incompatible land uses with buffers or transitional uses. Some land uses
 have attributes such as height, proportion, scale, operational characteristics, traffic
 generated, or appearance that may not be compatible with the attributes of other uses.

 Support diverse housing options, including duplexes, fourplexes, townhomes, and small courtyard apartments to promote walkable communities, access to neighborhood services, and multimodal transportation options, while ensuring compatibility with the form, sale, and design of existing neighborhoods.

Based on conformance with the policies stated above, the proposed zoning **is consistent** with the Comprehensive Plan.

Attachments:

- Area Zoning Map with 300 ft. Notification Area
- Site Plan
- Area Map
- Future Land Use Map
- Aerial Photograph



Area Zoning Map
Gabriel Southwest LLC

Applicant:

Address: 9500 - 9700 blocks Brewer Boulevard

Zoning From:

PD for D uses plus cottage community w/ dev. regulations for cottage community Zoning To:

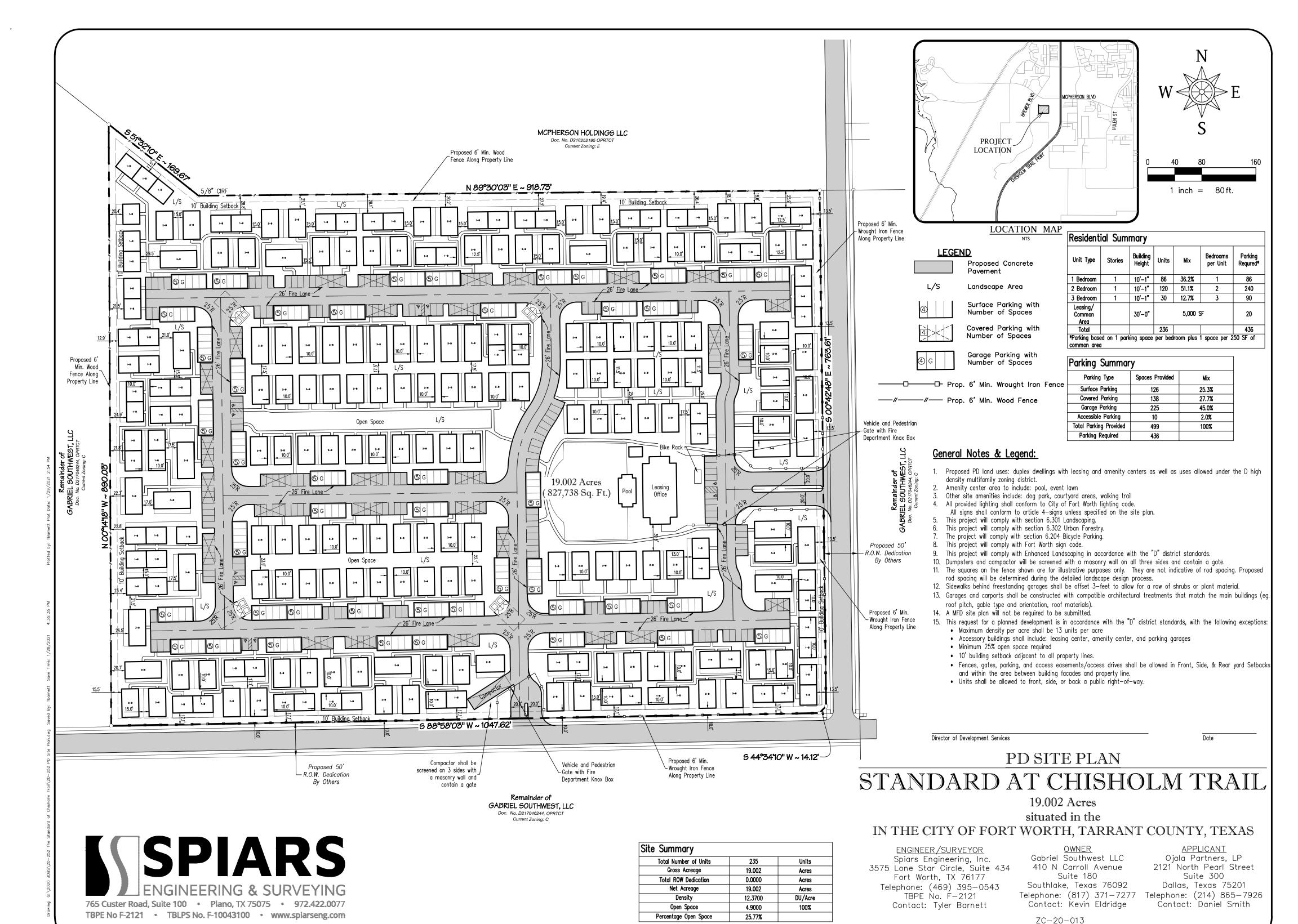
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Far Southwest Sector/District: Commission Date: 2/10/2021 817-392-8043 Contact:

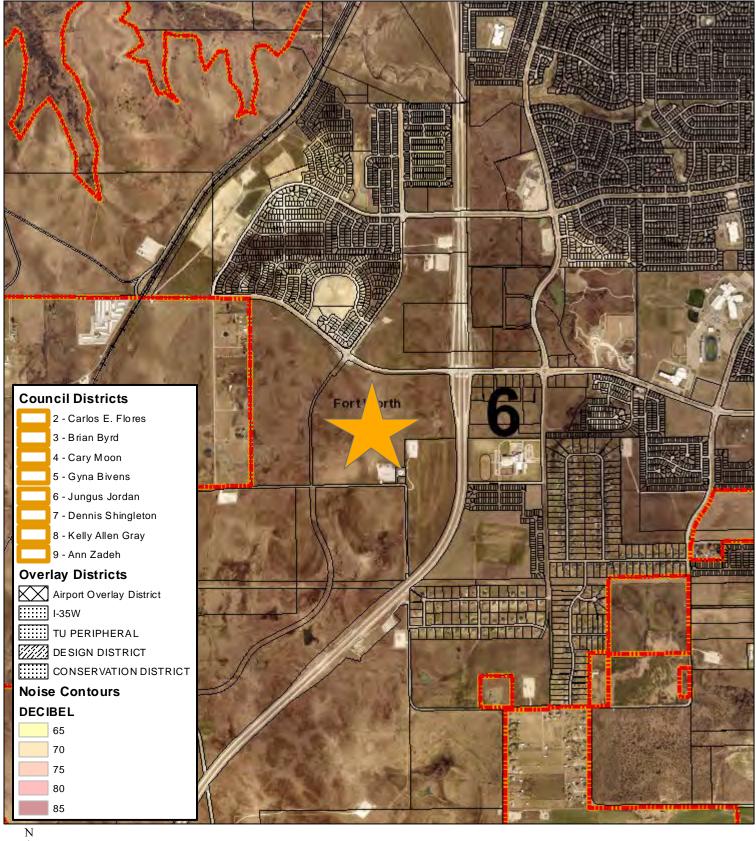






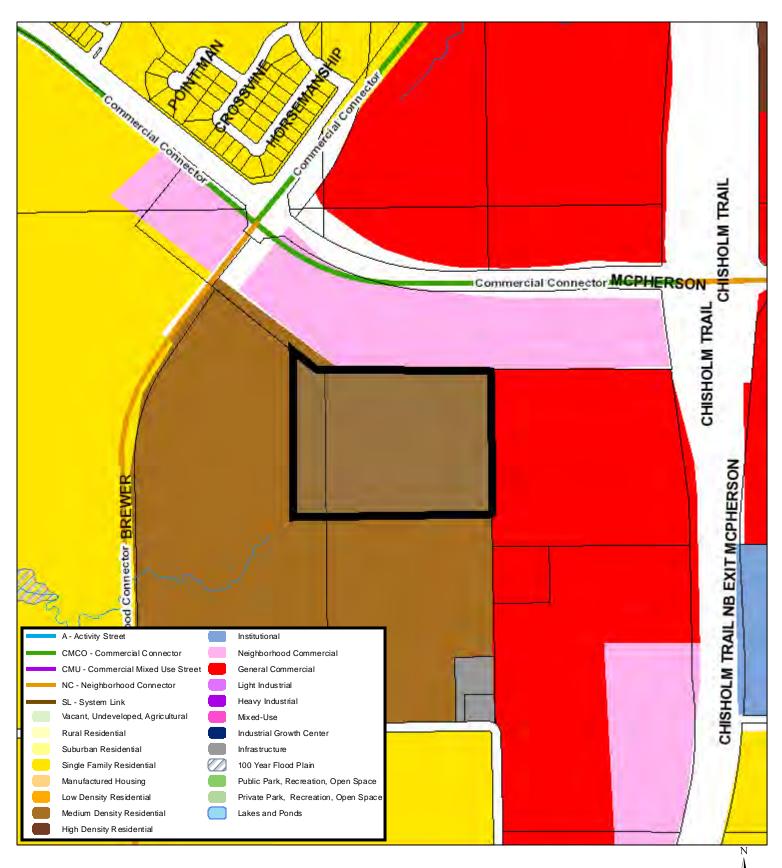
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Future Land Use





Aerial Photo Map

