

Zoning Staff Report

Zoning Map Amendment & Site Plan

Case Manager: Stephen Murray

Owner / Applicant: Rowan Altgelt Laughlin Group, LTD / Zac Thompson, ONM Living

Site Location: 9400 block Chapin Road Acreage: 57.54 acres

Request

Proposed Use: Detached Multifamily & Townhomes

Request: From: "AG" Agricultural

To: "PD-CR/R2" Planned Development-Low Density Multifamily and

Townhouse/Cluster, with development standards for open space, building setbacks,

parking, building orientation, fencing, perimeter fencing, and waiver to MFD

submittal; Site Plan included

Recommendation

Land Use Compatibility: Requested change is compatible Comprehensive Plan Consistency: Requested change is consistent

Staff Recommendation: Approval

Zoning Commission Recommendation: Approval by a vote of 6-0

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Project Description and Background

The subject property is located along the west side of Loop 820, south of Chapin Road. The 57-acre site is currently vacant except for a gas well. The applicant is requesting to rezone this property from "AG" Agricultural to "PD-CR/R2" Planned Development – Low Density Multifamily & Townhouse/Cluster to allow for development of a detached multifamily (detached apartments & townhome) community. An excerpt from Page 4 of the application is included below for reference:

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DETAILED PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Please provide a detailed summary of your proposal below. This should include a detailed description of the proposed use and reason for rezoning, how this use is compatible with surrounding land uses and the City's Comprehensive Plan, and any other details relevant to your request. Feel free to attach additional pages, concept plans, etc. as needed.

For PD or CUP requests, please explain why your proposal cannot be accommodated by standard zoning districts, clarify if any waivers are being requested and why, and detail any changes from previously approved site plans or development standards.

We are proposing to rezone the property from agriculture to a PD with a base zoning of CR & R2 to allow for the development of a residential cottage and townhome community in accordance with the attached PD standards and site plan. We are proposing a PD with a CR & R2 base zoning because the City of Fort Worth currently does not have a zoning classification for the cottage type residential development. Using the PD zoning will allow us to modify the closest MF zoning to fit our specific product/use and project site.

The Cottages and Villas at Marys Creek subject property consists of 57.01-acres of land generally located south of Chapin Rd, west of Interstate Loop 820 and north of Marys Creek, within the Corporate limits of Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas. The proposed development shall be uniquely designed so that units will have the appearance of single family detached and duplex homes and will consist of approximately 136 single-story and two-story structures consisting of two units per structure along with 58 two-story townhome structures. The proposed development shall also include one single-story structure for a leasing area, garages and carports, and common open space.

Surrounding Zoning and Land Uses

North "G" Intensive Commercial / vacant, vehicle sales dealerships located further north

East West Loop 820 Freeway

South "AG" Agricultural / vacant, floodplain; further south: "A-21" One-Family / single family dwellings

West "AG" Agricultural / gas wells, single-family home and landscape business

Recent Zoning History

• ZC-22-050, Request to rezone from "AG" Agricultural to "I" Light Industrial withdrawn by applicant.

Public Notification

300-foot Legal Notifications were mailed on January 26, 2023. The following organizations were emailed on January 27, 2023:

Organizations Notified	
Montserrat HA*	Chapin Rd & Alemeda St NA
Trinity Habitat for Humanity	Fort Worth ISD
Streams & Valleys Inc	

^{*}Located closest to this registered Neighborhood Association

Development Impact Analysis

Land Use Compatibility

The applicant is requesting to rezone this property from "AG" Agricultural to "PD-CR/R2" Planned Development – Low Density Multifamily and Townhouse/Cluster. All property immediately adjacent to this site is zoned "AG" Agricultural District. The site is bordered on the east by the West Loop 820 Freeway, and the parcel to the west appears to be developed with a single-family home and a commercial landscaping business. Property to the north is zoned "G" Intensive Commercial district and is developed with two car dealerships along the highway frontage. The majority of land on the west side of Alemeda Street, northwest of the subject property, is zoned "I" Light Industrial including approximately 70 acres of land that were rezoned for industrial use in April 2021. The character of the closest existing residential developments to this site are rural residential, large lot residential, and standard residential single family.

The gas well pad on the site and the proximity to Loop 820 should be taken into consideration when evaluating the site. Both of these features have the potential to generate nuisance complaints from future residents based on noise, odor, and pollution. Proximity to freeways and gas wells are generally not desirable for residential development. The latest plans indicate the second entrance on Loop 820 frontage as "emergency access only", meaning all 330 units will be entering and exiting from the Chapin Road entrance, which is less than ideal.

Mary's Creek is located to the south of this site, including a large area of FEMA 100-year floodplain that extends onto the subject property. The Montserrat Subdivision, zoned a combination of "A-21" and "A-43" One-Family, is located to the south of Marys Creek and is developed with single-family homes on large lots. However, the floodplain area that separates this neighborhood and the subject property measures approximately 1,200 feet wide and is heavily wooded, providing a buffer between the two uses. In addition, no direct connection between the residential area and subject property is proposed.

No community support has been provided for this rezoning request, and no letters of support are on file with the Development Services Department as of the writing of this report. The proposed use will provide a buffer to more intense commercial and industrial uses to the north and adjacent to the freeway. In addition, the floodplain provides an adequate buffer to nearby large lot single-family.

The proposed zoning is compatible with surrounding land uses.

The 2022 Comprehensive Plan currently designates a 500 foot strip along the northern portion of the subject property, closest to Chapin Road, as "General Commercial" on the Future Land Use Map. The remainder of the property is designated as "Rural Residential." However, the 2023 Comprehensive Plan, when approved, will designate the site as Low Density Residential.

Although this site does have direct access to the Loop 820 Freeway and Chapin Road (an arterial roadway), Chapin currently serves as a dividing line between industrial uses to the north and agricultural and residential uses to the south.

The proposed lower-density residential will provide a transition from the industrial uses to the north of Chapin Road and residential uses to the south. As a result, the proposed rezoning of "PD-CR/R2" **is consistent** with the Comprehensive Plan.

Economic Development Plan

The 2017 Economic Development Strategic Plan identified a vision, goals, and strategies to facilitate the success and growth of the City of Fort Worth. The site is not within any of the six target areas that were studied in depth for their redevelopment potential. The Economic Development Plan does not address housing specifically, and is tailored towards addressing the growth strategies for commercial and industrial properties.

With a portion of the site reserved for future commercial zoning, it would be wise to retain a portion of this site for future commercial use, rather than allowing a purely residential development. The Economic Development Plan does promote the City pursuing a more sustainable tax base, driven less by residential property valuation and more by commercial and industrial investment.

Site Plan Comments

Zoning and Land Use

(Round 2 comments - addressed)

Waiver Exhibit:

- Missing case number and address
- Should be called "development standards", not "deviations"
- "Proposed PD-CR" rather than "Proposed PD"
- Missing listing of development standards (waivers) at the top
- Missing density (units per acre), bufferyard & screening, landscaping, and urban forestry
- Provide parking counts for required and provided in table

Open Space diagram:

- Eliminate distinctions on Open Space types (easement, floodplain, amenity)
- Add gas well acreage
- Table should show total site acreage, less gas well acreage and row dedication
- Include open space expressed as acreage as well as percent of site (less gas & row or ~48 ac)
- Revise Summary table:
 - o Remove developable acreage
 - o Revise density to 6.7 DU/acre (based on 374 units on 55.7 acres)
 - Density is calculated as total acreage minus any right of way dedications, or 57.0 less 1.3 = 55.7
- Remove Open Space Summary Table from Site Plan

- Provide Separate Open Space Diagram exhibit with areas shaded that meet definition of Open Space in Section 9 of the City
 of Fort Worth Zoning Ordinance.
 - OPEN SPACE The net land area minus all building footprints, parking areas, access drives and fenced patios. Must
 be open to the sky and cannot be paved, except for necessary sidewalks, active recreation areas and patios that are
 adjacent to dwelling units and not enclosed by a fence
- Provide additional space for Director signature and date lines
- Add Case # reference ZC-22-156
- Rename "PD Development Plan" to "Site Plan"
- If parking is calculated per the Zoning Ordinance requirements (1 per bedroom plus 1 per 250 square feet of common area) that waiver/development standard could be eliminated. The less development standards the better.

Fire Department

FWFD - (Lt. Donna York, donna.york@fortworthtexas.gov)

FYI: Plat subject to gas well setbacks for a Permitted Pad site and Lift Compressor.

All gas well setback types must be shown on the plat regardless of the building type.

225' Building Setback measured from the edge of the pad site for Protected Use & Public Building structures.

125' Building Setback from the edge of the Multi Well Permitted gas well site for Habitable Structures.

IFC 2021/CFW Adopted Amendments Ordinance #25388-03-2022 Section 5706.3.1.3.3 Existing Gas Wells

FYI: Additional fire hydrants will be required. Additional hydrants will be required to accommodate the following: Maximum distance from Fire Department Connection (FDC); if sprinkler systems or standpipes provided: IFC 2021/CFW Adopted Amendments Ordinance #25388-03-2022 Sections 507.5.1 (2) and (3)

Failure to recognize violations of the fire code by the fire code official does not waive the requirement of meeting minimum requirements of the fire code in the future. It is the applicant's and the owner's responsibility to meet all minimum fire code requirements at all times. The City of Fort Worth has adopted the 2021 International Fire Code as its current fire code at the time of this review. The City of Fort Worth has also adopted Amendments that are available by searching the City Secretary's site for Ordinance #25388-03-2022.

Transportation/Public Works

TDR (Armond Bryant, 817-392-8702, Armond.Bryant@fortworthtexas.gov)

The tract is subject to a review of the Rough Proportionality and potential construction for roadway improvements to Chapin Road based on the site's impact on the roadway system.

Water

Case review Performed On: 9/28/2022. You may address hold comments by emailing: DSWS@fortworthtexas.gov Ensure Installation Policy and Design Criteria for Water, Wastewater, and Reclaimed Water requirements are met: https://www.fortworthtexas.gov/files/assets/public/government/documents/fw-water-installation-policy-design-criteria.pdf

Stormwater

Workflow in Accela cleared by Robin Stevens, but no comments provided

Park & Recreation

Workflow in Accela cleared by Lori Gordon, but no comments provided

Platting

No response provided

Building Plan Review

No response provided

(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.)



Applicant:

9400 block Chapin Road Address:

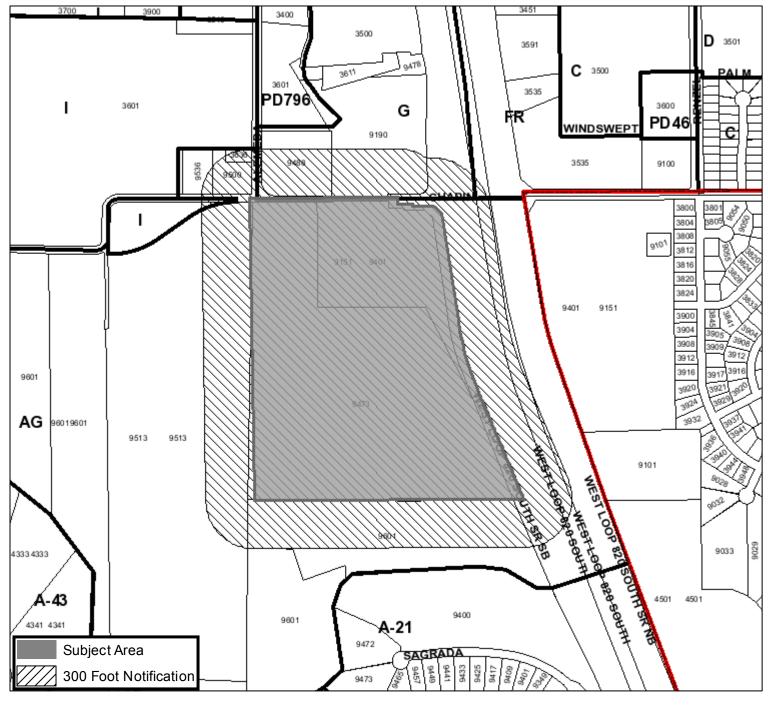
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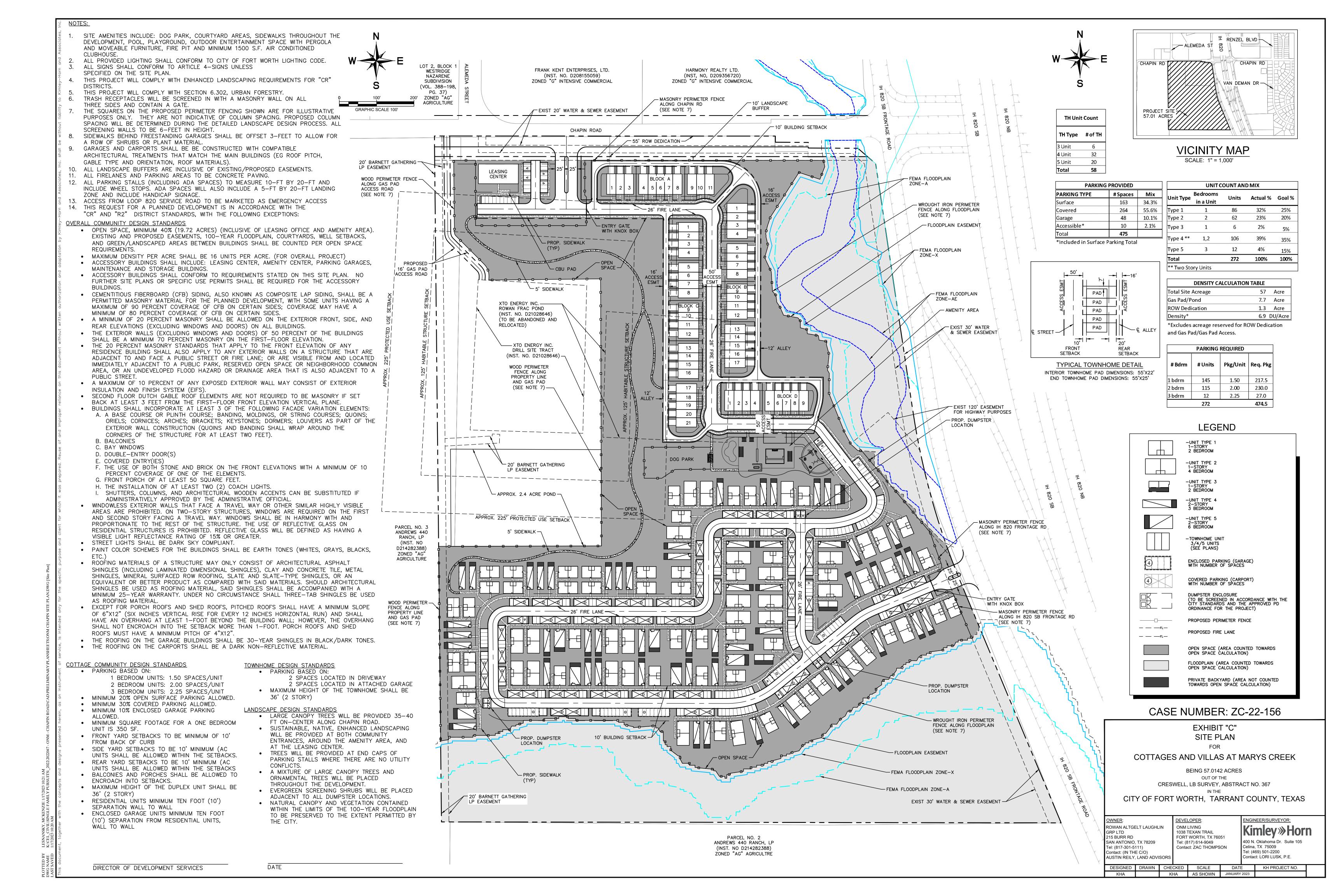
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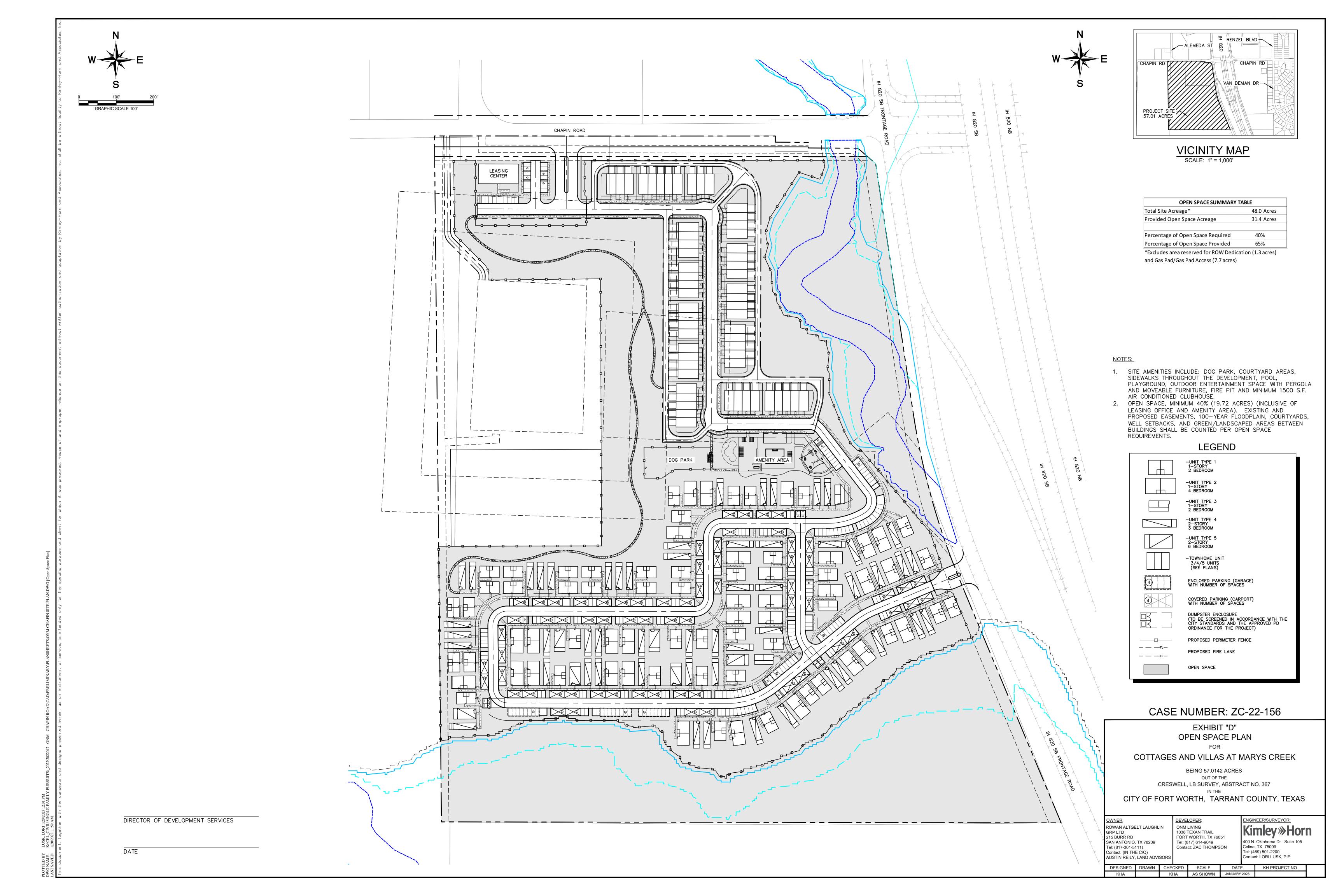
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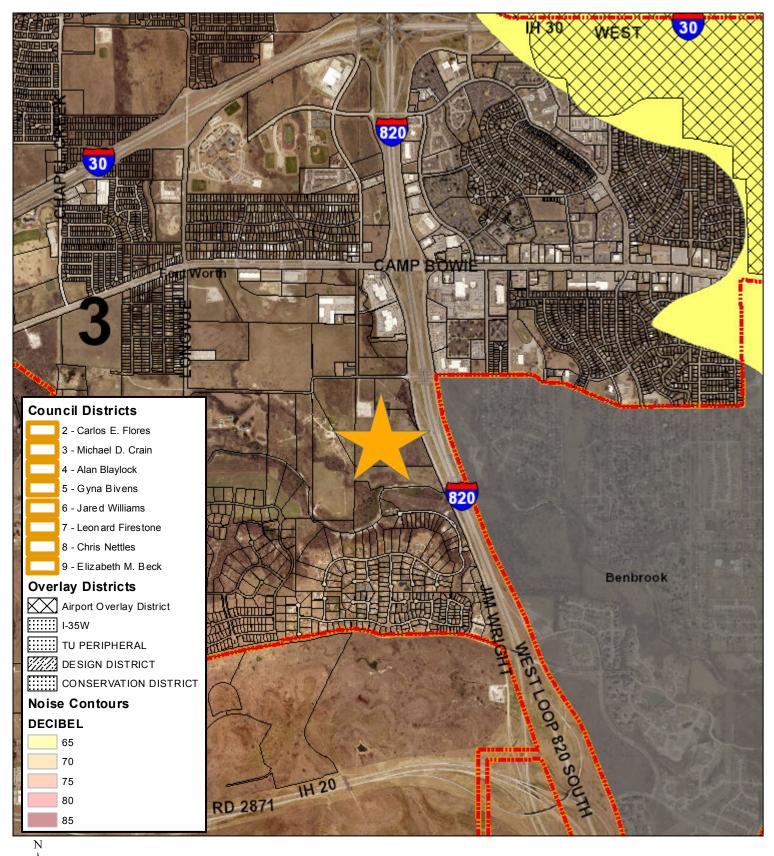






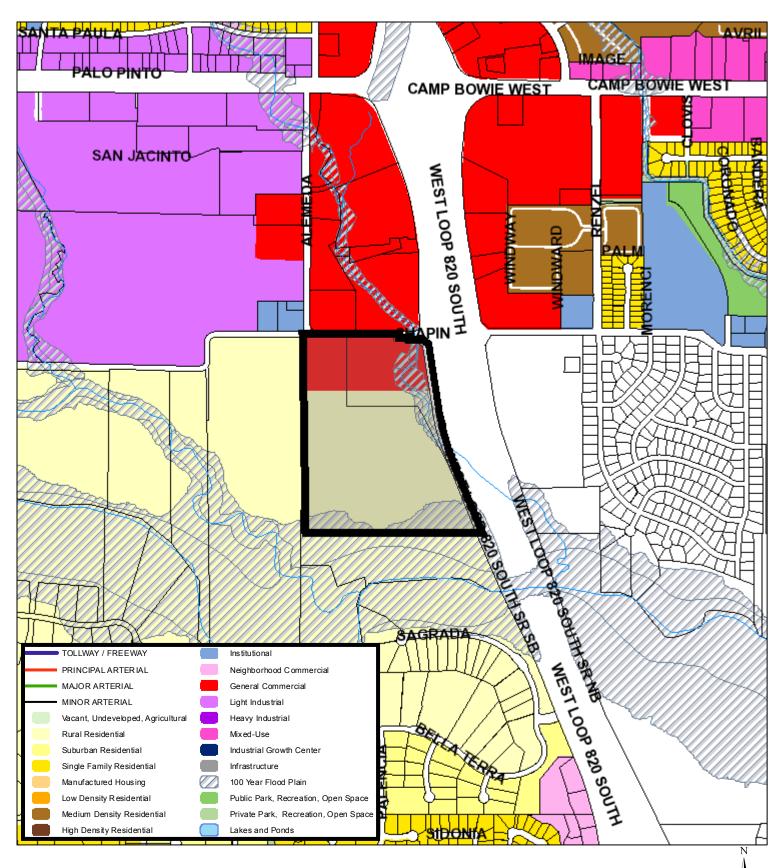








Future Land Use





Aerial Photo Map



