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To: Marty Pieroni
475 S Thornwood Way
Meridian, ID 83642

Subject: GCPP21-0009/ SUBFY2022-0001
511 E Remington Street
River Path Subdivision

The applicant is requesting preliminary plat approval for 23 residential lots and 3 common lots on 1.95 acres.

A. Findings of Fact

1. Remington Street

a. **Existing Conditions:** Remington Street is improved with 24-feet of pavement, and no curb, gutter, or sidewalk abutting the site. There is 50-feet of right-of-way for Remington Street (30-feet from centerline).

b. **Policy:**

Local Roadway Policy: District Policy 7207.2.1 states that the developer is responsible for improving all local street frontages adjacent to the site regardless of whether or not access is taken to all of the adjacent streets.

Street Section and Right-of-Way Policy: District Policy 7207.5 states that right-of-way widths for all local streets shall generally not be less than 47-feet wide and that the standard street section shall be 33-feet (back-of-curb to back-of-curb).

Standard Urban Local Street—33-foot Street Section and Right-of-way Policy: District Policy 7207.5.2 states that the standard street section shall be 33-feet (back-of-curb to back-of-curb) for developments with any buildable lot that is less than 1 acre in size. This street section shall include curb, gutter, and minimum 5-foot wide concrete sidewalks on both sides and shall typically be constructed within 47-feet of right-of-way.

Sidewalk Policy: District Policy 7207.5.7 states that five-foot wide concrete sidewalk is required on both sides of all local street, except those in rural developments with net densities of one dwelling unit per 1.0 acre or less, or in hillside conditions where there is no direct lot frontage, in which case a sidewalk shall be constructed along one side of the street. Some local jurisdictions may require wider sidewalks.

The sidewalk may be placed next to the back-of-curb. Where feasible, a parkway strip at least 8-feet wide between the back-of-curb and the street edge of the sidewalk is recommended to provide increased safety and protection of pedestrians and to allow for the planting of trees in accordance with the District's Tree Planting Policy. If no trees are to be planted in the parkway strip, the applicant may submit a request to the District, with justification, to reduce the width of the parkway strip.

Detached sidewalks are encouraged and should be parallel to the adjacent roadway. Meandering sidewalks are discouraged.

A permanent right-of-way easement shall be provided if public sidewalks are placed outside of the dedicated right-of-way. The easement shall encompass the entire area between the right-of-way line and 2-feet behind the back edge of the sidewalk. Sidewalks shall either be located wholly within the public right-of-way or wholly within an easement.

Minor Improvements Policy: District Policy 7203.3 states that minor improvements to existing streets adjacent to a proposed development may be required. These improvements are to correct deficiencies or replace deteriorated facilities. Included are sidewalk construction or replacement; curb and gutter construction or replacement; replacement of unused driveways with curb, gutter and sidewalk; installation or reconstruction of pedestrian ramps; pavement repairs; signs; traffic control devices; and other similar items.

- c. **Applicant's Proposal:** The applicant has proposed to widen Remington Street to 18-feet wide from centerline and construct vertical curb, gutter, and 5-foot wide detached concrete sidewalks with an 8-foot wide planter strip.
- d. **Staff Comments/Recommendations:** The applicant's proposal to widen Remington Street to 18-feet from centerline exceeds District policy and should not be approved as proposed. The applicant should be required to construct Remington Street as ½ of a 33-foot street section with 16.5-feet of pavement from centerline.

The applicant's proposal to construct curb, gutter, and 5-foot wide detached sidewalks meets District policy and should be approved as proposed.

2. Driveways/Private Road

- a. **Existing Conditions:** There is an existing 24-foot wide unpaved driveway from the site on to Remington Street located 100-feet south of the site's north property line.
- b. **Driveway Location Policy:** District policy 7207.4.1 requires driveways near intersections to be located a minimum of 75-feet (measured centerline-to-centerline) from the nearest local street intersection, and 150-feet from the nearest collector or arterial street intersection.

Private Road Policy: District policy 7212.1 states that the lead land use agencies in Ada County establish the requirements for private streets. The District retains authority and will review the proposed intersection of a private and public street for compliance with District intersection policies and standards. The private road should have the following requirements:

- Designed to discourage through traffic between two public streets,
 - Graded to drain away from the public street intersection, and
 - If a private road is gated, the gate or keypad (if applicable) shall be located a minimum of 50-feet from the near edge of the intersection and a turnaround shall be provided.
- c. **Applicant Proposal:** The applicant has proposed to reconstruct the existing driveway from the site on to Remington Street as a 26-foot wide private road located 100-feet south of the site's north property line.
 - d. **Staff Comments/Recommendations:** The applicant's proposal meets District policy and should be approved as proposed.

If Garden City approves the private road, the applicant shall be required to pave the private roadway a minimum of 20 to 24-feet wide and at least 30-feet into the site beyond the edge of pavement of all public streets and install pavement tapers with 15-foot curb radii abutting the existing roadway edge. If private roads are not approved by Garden City, the applicant will be required to revise and resubmit the preliminary plat to provide public standard local streets in these locations.

Street name and stop signs are required for the private road. The signs may be ordered through the District. Verification of the correct, approved name of the road is required.

ACHD does not make any assurances that the private road, which is a part of this application, will be accepted as a public road if such a request is made in the future. Substantial redesign and reconstruction costs may be necessary in order to qualify this road for public ownership and maintenance.

The following requirements must be met if the applicant wishes to dedicate the roadway to ACHD:

- Dedicate a minimum of 50-feet of right-of-way for the road.
- Construct the roadway to the minimum ACHD requirements.
- Construct a stub street to the surrounding parcels.

3. Tree Planters

Tree Planter Policy: The District's Tree Planter Policy prohibits all trees in planters less than 8-feet in width without the installation of root barriers. Class II trees may be allowed in planters with a minimum width of 8-feet, and Class I and Class III trees may be allowed in planters with a minimum width of 10-feet.

4. Landscaping

Landscaping Policy: A license agreement is required for all landscaping proposed within ACHD right-of-way or easement areas. Trees shall be located no closer than 10-feet from all public storm drain facilities. Landscaping should be designed to eliminate site obstructions in the vision triangle at intersections. District Policy 5104.3.1 requires a 40-foot vision triangle and a 3-foot height restriction on all landscaping located at an uncontrolled intersection and a 50-foot offset from stop signs. Landscape plans are required with the submittal of civil plans and must meet all District requirements prior to signature of the final plat and/or approval of the civil plans.

B. Site Specific Conditions of Approval

1. Construct Remington Street abutting the site as half of a 33-foot wide local street section with pavement widening to total 16.5-feet from centerline, and vertical curb, gutter, and 5-foot wide detached concrete sidewalk, as proposed. Provide a permanent right-of-way easement for detached sidewalks located outside of the dedicated right-of-way.
2. Reconstruct the existing driveway as a 26-foot wide private road located 100-feet south of the site's north property line, as proposed.
3. Install street name and STOP signs for the private road. The signs may be ordered through the District. Verification of the correct, approved name is required.
4. A Traffic Impact Fee will be assessed by ACHD and will be due prior to issuance of a building permit. Please contact the ACHD Planner (see below) for information regarding impact fees.
5. Submit civil plans to ACHD Development Services for review and approval. The impact fee assessment will not be released until the civil plans are approved by ACHD.
6. Comply with the Standard Conditions of Approval as noted below.

C. Traffic Information

Trip Generation

This development is estimated to generate 166 vehicle trips per day and 14 vehicle trips per hour in the PM peak hour, based on the Institute of Transportation Engineers Trip Generation Manual, 11th edition.

Condition of Area Roadways: *Traffic Count is based on Vehicles per hour (VPH)*

Roadway	Frontage	Functional Classification	PM Peak Hour Traffic Count
Remington Street	200-feet	Local	N/A

Average Daily Traffic Count (VDT): *Average daily traffic counts are based on ACHD's most current traffic counts*

- There are no traffic counts for Remington Street.

D. Attachments

1. Vicinity Map
2. Site Plan
3. Standard Conditions of Approval
4. Appeal Guidelines

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (208) 387-6132.

Sincerely,



Kelly Bruner
Planner
Development Services

cc: City of Garden City
Mike Pieroni

Standard Conditions of Approval

1. All proposed irrigation facilities shall be located outside of the ACHD right-of-way (including all easements). Any existing irrigation facilities shall be relocated outside of the ACHD right-of-way (including all easements).
2. Private Utilities including sewer or water systems are prohibited from being located within the ACHD right-of-way.
3. In accordance with District policy, 7203.6, the applicant may be required to update any existing non-compliant pedestrian improvements abutting the site to meet current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements. The applicant's engineer should provide documentation of ADA compliance to District Development Review staff for review.
4. Replace any existing damaged curb, gutter and sidewalk and any that may be damaged during the construction of the proposed development. Contact Construction Services at 387-6280 (with file number) for details.
5. A license agreement and compliance with the District's Tree Planter policy is required for all landscaping proposed within ACHD right-of-way or easement areas.
6. All utility relocation costs associated with improving street frontages abutting the site shall be borne by the developer.
7. It is the responsibility of the applicant to verify all existing utilities within the right-of-way. The applicant at no cost to ACHD shall repair existing utilities damaged by the applicant. The applicant shall be required to call DIGLINE (1-811-342-1585) at least two full business days prior to breaking ground within ACHD right-of-way. The applicant shall contact ACHD Traffic Operations 387-6190 in the event any ACHD conduits (spare or filled) are compromised during any phase of construction.
8. Utility street cuts in pavement less than five years old are not allowed unless approved in writing by the District. Contact the District's Utility Coordinator at 387-6258 (with file numbers) for details.
9. All design and construction shall be in accordance with the ACHD Policy Manual, ISPWC Standards and approved supplements, Construction Services procedures and all applicable ACHD Standards unless specifically waived herein. An engineer registered in the State of Idaho shall prepare and certify all improvement plans.
10. Construction, use and property development shall be in conformance with all applicable requirements of ACHD prior to District approval for occupancy.
11. No change in the terms and conditions of this approval shall be valid unless they are in writing and signed by the applicant or the applicant's authorized representative and an authorized representative of ACHD. The burden shall be upon the applicant to obtain written confirmation of any change from ACHD.
12. If the site plan or use should change in the future, ACHD Planning Review will review the site plan and may require additional improvements to the transportation system at that time. Any change in the planned use of the property which is the subject of this application, shall require the applicant to comply with ACHD Policy and Standard Conditions of Approval in place at that time unless a waiver/variance of the requirements or other legal relief is granted by the ACHD Commission.

Request for Appeal of Staff Decision

1. **Appeal of Staff Decision:** The Commission shall hear and decide appeals by an applicant of the final decision made by the Development Services Manager when it is alleged that the Development Services Manager did not properly apply this section 7101.6, did not consider all of the relevant facts presented, made an error of fact or law, abused discretion or acted arbitrarily and capriciously in the interpretation or enforcement of the ACHD Policy Manual.
 - a. **Filing Fee:** The Commission may, from time to time, set reasonable fees to be charged the applicant for the processing of appeals, to cover administrative costs.
 - b. **Initiation:** An appeal is initiated by the filing of a written notice of appeal with the Secretary and Clerk of the District, which must be filed within ten (10) working days from the date of the decision that is the subject of the appeal. The notice of appeal shall refer to the decision being appealed, identify the appellant by name, address and telephone number and state the grounds for the appeal. The grounds shall include a written summary of the provisions of the policy relevant to the appeal and/or the facts and law relied upon and shall include a written argument in support of the appeal. The Commission shall not consider a notice of appeal that does not comply with the provisions of this subsection.
 - c. **Time to Reply:** The Development Services Manager shall have ten (10) working days from the date of the filing of the notice of appeal to reply to the notice of the appeal, and may during such time meet with the appellant to discuss the matter, and may also consider and/or modify the decision that is being appealed. A copy of the reply and any modifications to the decision being appealed will be provided to the appellant prior to the Commission hearing on the appeal.
 - d. **Notice of Hearing:** Unless otherwise agreed to by the appellant, the hearing of the appeal will be noticed and scheduled on the Commission agenda at a regular meeting to be held within thirty (30) days following the delivery to the appellant of the Development Services Manager's reply to the notice of appeal. A copy of the decision being appealed, the notice of appeal and the reply shall be delivered to the Commission at least one (1) week prior to the hearing.
 - e. **Action by Commission:** Following the hearing, the Commission shall either affirm or reverse, in whole or part, or otherwise modify, amend or supplement the decision being appealed, as such action is adequately supported by the law and evidence presented at the hearing.