

Staff Report: Z-16-15-8 June 25, 2015

Laveen Village Planning Committee July 13, 2015 Hearing Date Planning Commission Hearing Date August 11, 2015 **Request From:** S-1 (19.96 acres) R1-8 (19.96 acres) **Request To: Proposed Use** Single-Family Residential Location Approximately 600 feet north of the northwest corner of 27th Avenue and Baseline Road **Owner** Brimet II, LLC Applicant's Representative Jeff Giles, Clouse Engineering Staff Recommendation Approval, subject to stipulations

General Plan Conformity						
General Plan Land Use Designation		Current: Residential 0 to 1 du/acre Proposed (GPA-LV-1-15-8): Residential 3.5 to 5 du/acre				
Street Map Classification	27 th Avenue		Arterial	55-foot west half street		

HOUSING ELEMENT: GOAL 1, POLICY 2: Encourage quality design of new housing and housing developments.

The proposed single-family development incorporates design provisions that provide connectivity and open space to ensure the development's compatibility with surrounding single-family subdivisions.

NEIGHBORHOOD ELEMENT: GOAL 1, POLICY 6: Promote design that will increase opportunities for people to interact both within the neighborhood and with existing or future adjacent neighborhoods.

As stipulated, the proposed subdivision will provide design elements, including detached sidewalks and pedestrian connectivity, to enhance opportunities for interaction both within the development and with adjacent neighborhoods.

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Area Plan

Laveen Southwest Growth Study. See Item No. 5 in the Background/Issues/Analysis Section.

Surrounding Land Uses/Zoning				
	Land Use	Zoning		
On Site	Single Family Residence	S-1		
North	Single Family Residential	MUA / S-1		
South	Single Family Residential	S-1		
East	Single Family Residential	County RU-43 / S-1 / R1-10		
West	Single Family Residential	R1-8		

R1-8 (Single-Family Residence District), Planned Residential Development Option					
<u>Standards</u>	Requirements	Proposed			
Typical Lot Size Density Minimum Perimeter Building Setbacks	Varies 4.5 (5.5 with bonus) du/acre	50 feet x 115 feet Met - 4.57 du/acre			
Street (front, rear or side) Rear	15 feet 15 feet (1-story) 20-feet (2-story)	N/A Met – 15 feet (1-story) 20 feet (2-story)			
Side	10 feet (1-story) 15 feet (2-story)	N/A			
Minimum Interior Building Setbacks					
Front Rear Street Side Side	10 feet None (Building Code) 10 feet None (Building Code)	Met – 10 feet None specified Met – 10 feet None specified			
Lot Coverage	Primary structure, not including attached shade structures: 40% Total: 50%	Met – Primary structure, not including attached shade structures: 40% Total: 50%			

Background/Issues/Analysis

1. This is a request to rezone a 19.96 acre parcel from S-1 (Ranch or Farm Residence) to R1-8 (Single-Family Residence District) to allow for a single-family subdivision.

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- 2. The General Plan Land Use Map designation for this property is Residential 0 to 1 dwelling units per acre. The proposal is not consistent with the existing General Plan Land Use Map designation due to the requested density. The subject site consists of more than 10 acres, therefore a General Plan Amendment is required. The applicant has filed a General Plan Amendment to the Land Use Map (GPA-LV-1-15-8) from Residential 0 to 1 dwelling units per acre to Residential 3.5 to 5 dwelling units per acre. The General Plan Amendment is running concurrently with this request. The parcels located directly to the north and south are designated Residential 0 to 1 dwelling units per acre on the current General Plan Land Use Map. The subdivision to the east is designated Residential 1 to 2 dwelling units per acre and the subdivision to the west is designated Residential 3.5 to 5 dwelling units per acre.
- 3. Currently, the subject site contains a single-family residence located in the southwestern portion of the site. The remainder of the property is vacant land. There are existing residential uses of various intensity to the north, south, east and west

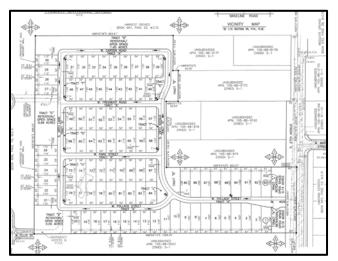


of the site. A residential subdivision and events facility are located to the north of the site and are zoned MUA. A single-family residence is located on the parcel to the south and is zoned S-1. Single-family residences, zoned S-1 and County RU-43, are located to the east along the northern portion of the site. A single-family subdivision, zoned R1-10, is located to the east along the southern portion of the site across 27th Avenue. A single-family subdivision zoned R1-8 is located adjacent to the western property line of the subject site.

4. The northern 5.33 acres of the site was annexed into the city with equivalency zoning of S-1 in 2007, while the remainder of the property was annexed in 2006. The site was rezoned to R-2 and R-3A in 2008 via Rezoning Case Z-84-07 to allow for a multifamily development. A General Plan Amendment to the Land Use Map to 15+ dwelling units per acre was also approved in 2008 via General Plan Amendment Case GPA-LV-3-07. The ordinances adopting the rezoning

and general plan amendment were later repealed in 2010 per Referendum Petitions R-1-08 and R-2-08.

- 5. Adopted in 1998, the Laveen Southwest Growth Study provides guidance for land use decisions in the Laveen Village, including recommended design guidelines. The Growth Study identifies several design guidelines including the use of view fencing for perimeter walls, central open space elements, landscaped subdivision entries and detached sidewalks on local streets. The proposed development, as stipulated, is consistent with these design recommendations by providing view fencing along some open space areas, including open space areas dispersed throughout the subdivision, landscaped tracts along 27th Avenue and by providing detached sidewalks along both sides of the residential streets.
- 6. The conceptual site plan depicts a gated single-family subdivision consisting of 93 lots with five open space tracts shown, both along 27th Avenue and located throughout the perimeter of the subdivision. The open space areas will be utilized for open space, landscaping and retention. The individual parcels have a minimum lot width of 50 feet, which is in excess of the 45-foot minimum required by the Zoning Ordinance. The



PROPOSED SITE PLAN

proposed density of 4.57 dwelling units per acre is below the maximum of 5.5 dwelling units per acre, including bonus, permitted by the Zoning Ordinance. Access to the site will be provided from 27th Avenue.

- 7. In order to match the character of the surrounding single-family subdivisions, staff is recommending stipulations of general conformance to the site plan, a limit of the number of lots to 93 lots and a provision that a minimum of 14% open space be provided.
- 8. This proposed development is subject to Single-Family Design Review. The review guidelines are to provide house designs with sufficient variation in elevations and detailing which address the goal of diversity while maintaining an identifiable image for the subdivision. Review of the elevations includes materials, massing, front yard plant palette, garage treatments, and safety.
- 9. Conceptual elevations were not provided as part of the rezoning application. To ensure compatibility with the recommendations of the Laveen Southwest

Growth Study, staff is proposing a stipulation that conceptual elevations be administratively approved prior to preliminary site plan approval. Similarly, in order to incorporate the recommendation of view fencing provided in the Growth Study, an additional stipulation has been proposed to provide view fencing along the western property line. The addition of view fencing in this area will serve to enhance the adjacent landscaped area of the abutting subdivision.

- 10. In order to provide increased connectivity between the proposed project and the surrounding community, stipulations have also been added to provide detached sidewalks throughout the subdivision, a secondary vehicular access point and pedestrian/bicycle access along the west property line.
- 11. The Street Transportation Department has proposed a stipulation regarding improvement of 27th Avenue for the length of the property. Plans are to be submitted and approved through Maricopa County, as this portion of 27th Avenue is under county jurisdiction.
- 12. The Aviation Department has reviewed the rezoning application and requests that the property owner record a Notice to Prospective Purchasers of Proximity to Airport in order to disclose the existence, and operational characteristics of City of Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport (PHX) to future owners or tenants of the property. A stipulation has been added to address this request.
- 13. The Water Services Department has noted that there are no water or sewer infrastructure concerns with the proposed zoning.
- 14. The City of Phoenix Floodplain Management division of the Street Transportation Department has determined that this parcel is not in a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), but is located in a Shaded Zone X, on panel 2215 L of the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) dated October 16, 2013.
- 15. Development and use of the site is subject to all applicable codes and ordinances. Zoning approval does not negate other ordinance requirements. Other formal actions such as, but not limited to, zoning adjustments and abandonment may be required.

Findings

- 1. The development will provide additional housing choices for Laveen Village residents.
- 2. The proposal is compatible with existing residential developments in the area.
- 3. As stipulated, the development will provide enhanced connectivity and increased open space, thereby providing additional amenities for residents that further policies of the General Plan and the Laveen Southwest Growth Study.

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Stipulations

- 1. The development shall be in general conformance with the site plan date stamped June 22, 2015, except as modified by the following stipulations and as approved by the Planning and Development Department.
- 2. The development shall be limited to a maximum of 93 lots, as approved by the Planning and Development Department.
- 3. A minimum of 14% open space shall be provided, as approved by the Planning and Development Department.
- 4. The conceptual elevations shall be administratively approved by the Planning Hearing Officer prior to preliminary site plan approval. This review is for conceptual purposes only. Specific development standards and requirements will be determined by the Planning and Development Department.
- 5. All sidewalks shall be detached with a minimum five foot wide landscaped strip located between the sidewalk and back of curb and shall include minimum 2-inch caliper shade trees planted a minimum of 20 feet on center, or in equivalent groupings, along both sides of the sidewalk, as approved by the Planning and Development Department.
- 6. An additional vehicular ingress/egress for the subdivision shall be provided at the southwest portion of the property, as approved by the Planning and Development Department.
- 7. Pedestrian and bicycle access shall be provided along the western property line, as approved by the Planning and Development Department.
- 8. The development shall utilize view fencing along the western property line, as approved by the Planning and Development Department.
- 9. Curb, gutter, sidewalk, paving and incidentals shall be provided on 27th Avenue for the length of the project. Plans to be submitted and permitted through Maricopa County Department of Transportation.
- 10. The property owner shall record a Notice to Prospective Purchasers of Proximity to Airport in order to disclose the existence, and operational characteristics of City of Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport (PHX) to future owners or tenants of the property. The form and content of such documents shall be according to the templates and instructions provided which have been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney.

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Attachments Sketch Map Aerial Site Plan (date stamped June 22, 2015)

