

# PLANNING & ZONING MEETING AGENDA Thursday, April 18, 2024 | 6:00 p.m. Eldridge City Hall | 305 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Street

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approval of the Minutes from the February 15, 2024 Meeting
- 3. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman
- 4. Consideration to approve the Preliminary Plat of Grunwald Grove 3<sup>rd</sup> Addition
- 5. Review of documents presented by Ashley Atkins, 880 S. 1st Street
- 6. Adjournment

**Next Meeting: TBD** 



# **Eldridge Planning and Zoning Commission** February 15, 2024, 6:00 p.m., Eldridge City Hall

# **Minutes**

The Eldridge Plan and Zone Commission met in open session in Eldridge City Hall at 6:00 p.m. on February 15, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Karl Donaubauer. Present were Karl Donaubauer, Duane Miller, Brad Merrick and Mike Martin. Tisha Bousselot and Terry Haurbor were absent. Nancy Gruber has moved out of the area and resigned from the Commission. The Mayor is in process of appointing a new Commission member. Also present were Brian Dockery, Jeff Martens and Randy Rosenow.

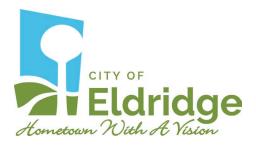
The minutes from the December 21, 2023, meeting were presented for approval. Donaubauer had a small change and amended minutes will be posted. Motion by Miller to approve the minutes. Seconded by Martin. Motion carried 4-0 by voice vote.

Item 5 was moved to the top of the agenda. Martens presented the final plat and application for the Rosenow subdivision. He said staff is recommending approval. Ten foot utility easements had been added around the perimeter of both lots. Martens said this is more of a replat relocating the two lots currently on the parcels to make them more useful and marketable. The Commission asked a few questions of Rosenow. Rosenow said that now that he owns the property it is his intention to clean it up. Motion by Miller to approve the final plat. Seconded by Merrick. Motion carried 4-0 by voice vote.

Consideration of the approval of a Tobacco Shop Ordinance Amendment. Martens presented information on the vaping epidemic in the community that included articles from The North Scott Press and a memo from School Resource Officer Jack Schwertman. Martens let the Commission know that a Councilmember and several citizens had expressed concern over this issue. The amendment would define Tobacco Shops and assign them as permitted use in I-2 Light Industrial Districts, which are not frequented by area youth. After a short discussion Martin motioned to approve the amendment as written. Merrick seconded. Motion carried 4-0 by voice vote.

Consideration of the approval of a Right-of-Way Management Ordinance. Martens presented information on the need for a Right-of-Way Management Ordinance and explained the difference between this and a Franchise Agreement. Dockery asked if excavating could be better defined. The Commission ultimately decided to add a definition for Excavating as any disturbance with a Right-Of-Way/Utility Easement on or below the surface. Miller motioned to approve the amendment as modified. Martin seconded. Motion carried 4-0 by voice vote.

Merrick made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 p.m. Seconded by Miller. Motion carried 4-0 by voice vote.



To: Plan and Zone Commission

From: Jeff Martens, Assistant City Administrator

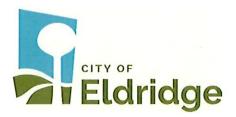
Re: Grunwald Grove 3<sup>rd</sup> Addition Preliminary Plat

Date: 4/18/24

### Plan and Zone Commission:

The City has received the attached Preliminary Plat and Application from Grunwald Land Development, LC.

City Staff and City Engineer have reviewed the information are recommending approval.



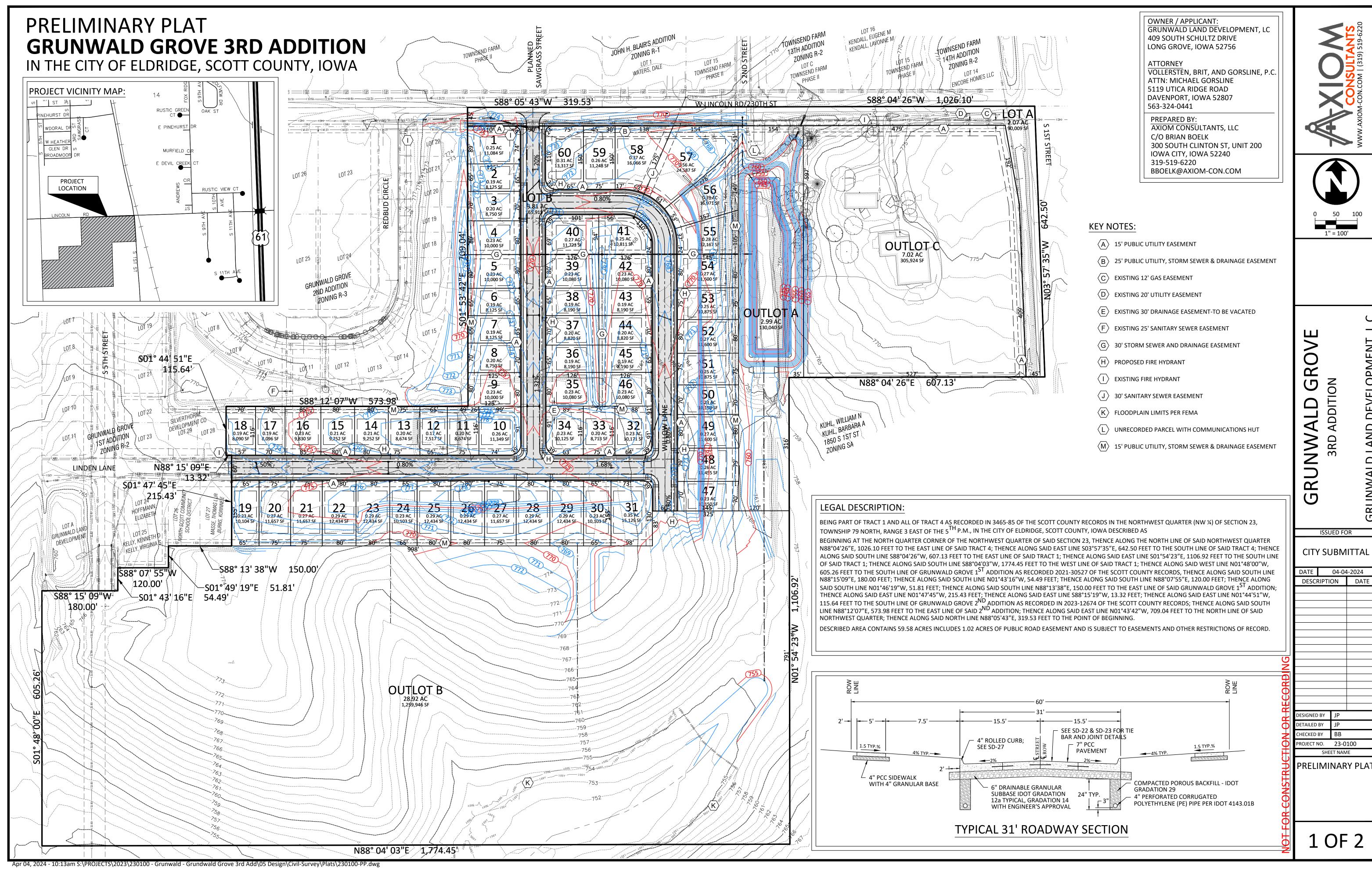
# PRELIMINARY PLAT APPLICATION Plan and Zone Commission

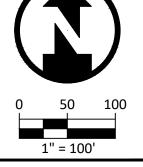
Subdivision Name		Grunwald Grove 3rd Addition					
Subdivision Location		Off of Lincoln Road, East of S 1st Street					
Current Zoning R-2, C-3		for Outlot C		Proposed Zoning	R-2, C-3 for Outlot C		
Number of Lots 60 Residential, 3 O		60 Residential, 3 Outlots, 2 ROW Lots					
Developer	Name		Grunwald Land Development, LC				
	Address		409 South Shultz Drive				
	Phone Number		563-343-1006				
	Email Address		dgrunwald@mail.com				
Main Contact F		Person	Dale Grunwald				
Engineer	Firm		Axiom Consultan	its, LLC			
	Contact		Brian Boelk, PE				
	Address		300 S Clinton St #200, Iowa City, IA 52240				
	Phone Number		319-400-1056				
	Email		bboelk@axiom-c	on.com			
Name of person filing application		Brian Boelk		Date	04/04/2024		
Application Fee is \$200.00 plus \$1.50 per lot							

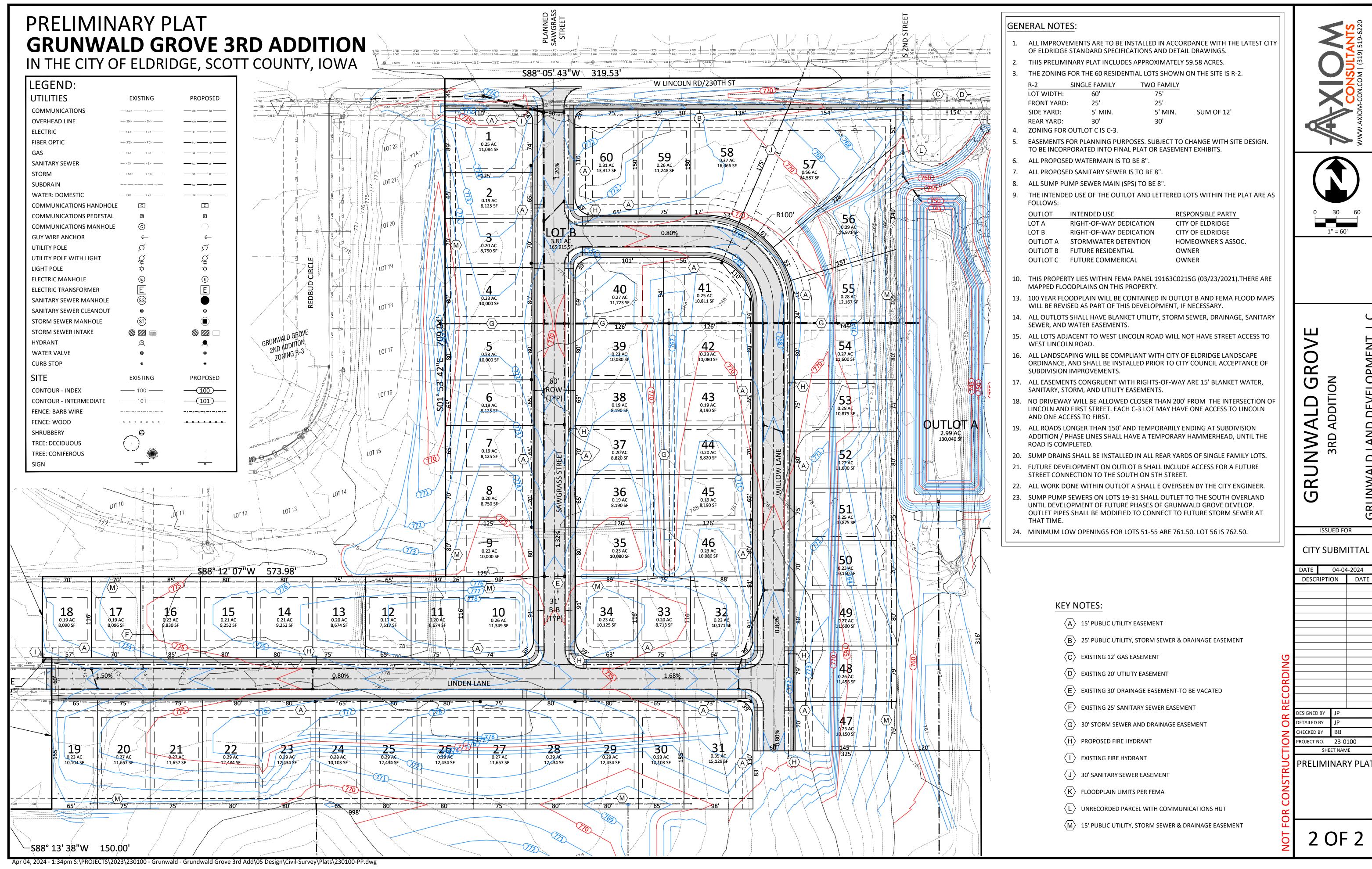
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DESCRIPTION DATE



To: Plan and Zone Commission

From: Jeff Martens, Assistant City Administrator

Re: 880 S. 1<sup>st</sup> Street Access Easement

Date: 4/18/24

Plan and Zone Commission:

The owner of 880 S. 1st Street, Ashley Atkins, is asking the Planning and Zoning Commission to:

- 1. Review the attached scanned documents along with Iowa State Code 354 that Ms. Atkins has provided and collectively provide a written opinion on what the Commission believes the City's intent for the Access Easement was at the time the property was subdivided in 2007.
- 2. Review the attached scanned documents along with Iowa State Code 354 that Ms. Atkins has provided and collectively provide a recommendation to the City Council on whether the Commission thinks her lot (Lot 1) should be able to use the Access Easement.

Please see the next page for a timeline summary of legal and staff opinions on this issue.



12/7/2023 – Kristine Stone, Attorney, Ahlers Cooney From a letter sent to Ms. Atkins:

The access easement noted on the plat is a private easement. It does not create a public easement for a public road. The City does not own the easement, the City did not construct the driveway included in the easement, and the City has never maintained that driveway or easement. The City therefore has no interest in the easement whatsoever. It is a private easement, located on private property, and any disputes related to this easement must be addressed privately, between the owners of Lot 1 and Lot 2. The City cannot resolve that dispute for you. You should consult with your own attorney about how best to resolve this matter.

05/04/2023 – Michael Bristley, Owner of 850 S. 1<sup>st</sup> Street From an email sent to be read at BOA meeting that evening:

Our driveway is approximately 40' X 524' adjacent to Lot 1 and was labeled "Access Easement" on the plot plan, with ownership recorded in Scott County by a Warranty Deed to Lot 2 ... This was an area of focus by our legal counsel upon purchasing this property, and we were further advised no driveway agreement or shared access was recorded in Scott County for access/use by any adjoining properties.

Her Deed of Record with Scott County does not indicate ownership or shared access to the property boundaries described in Lot 2.

03/03/2023 – Greg Schaapveld, Former City Engineer, Shive Hattery From staff review comments being compiled for preliminary subdivision plat review:

The allowable uses/users of the existing 40' wide access easement north of the proposed Atkin's 1<sup>st</sup> Addition was not defined in the platting documents of Sheedy's 1<sup>st</sup> Addition. Our understanding is the use of that easement has been a point of contention between the owner of the underlying land (Lot 1 of Sheedy's 1<sup>st</sup>) ... If that is correct, access for Lot 1 of the proposed Atkin's 1<sup>st</sup> Addition either needs to be solely via S 2<sup>nd</sup> St, or additional documentation needs to be provided to the City demonstrating that Lot 1 and preferably Lot 2 would have legal right to use that 40' access easement. Responsibility for maintaining that easement would need to be defined, and the City should consider whether Code would allow continued use of gravel for that shared drive.

# Request City Council and BOA be CC'd on this filing.

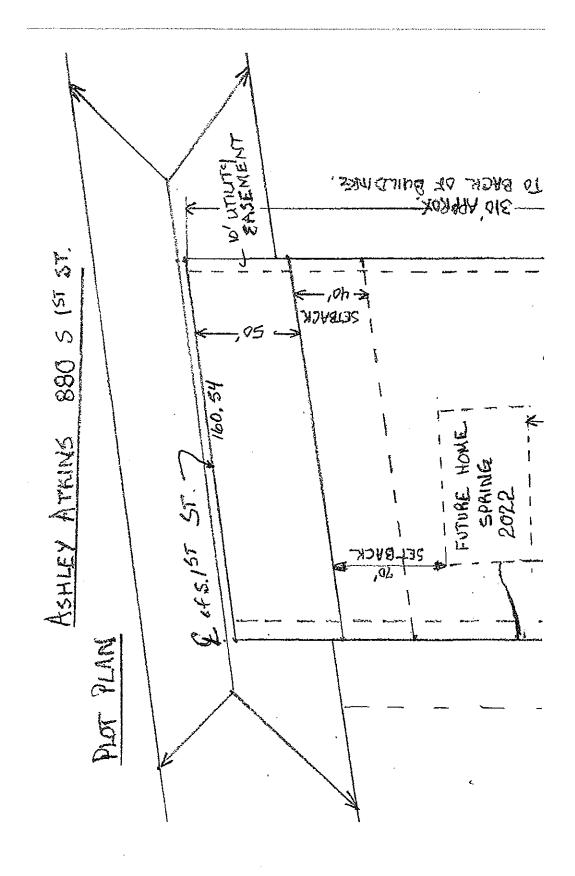
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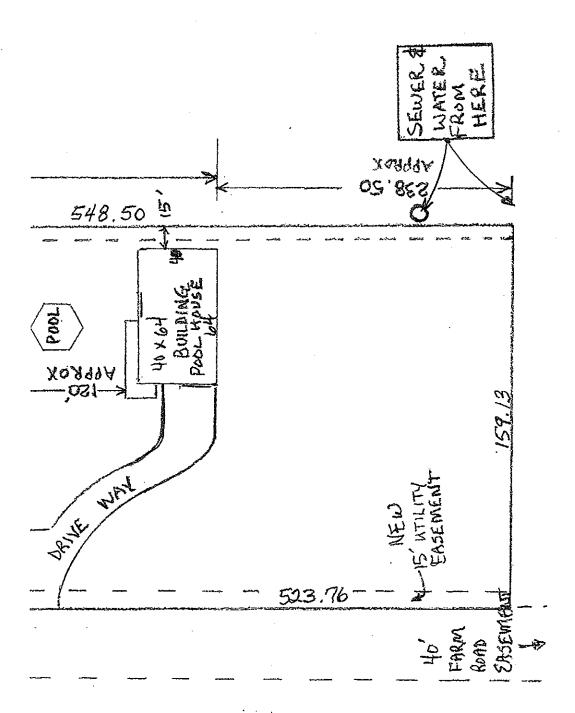
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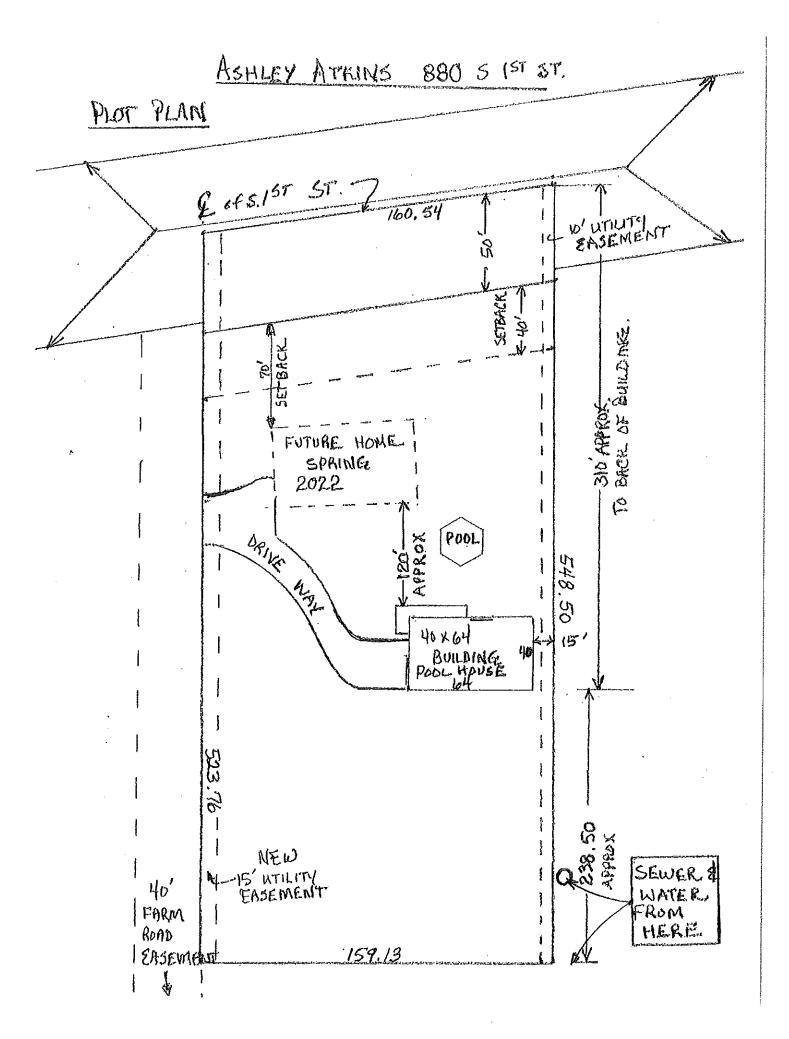


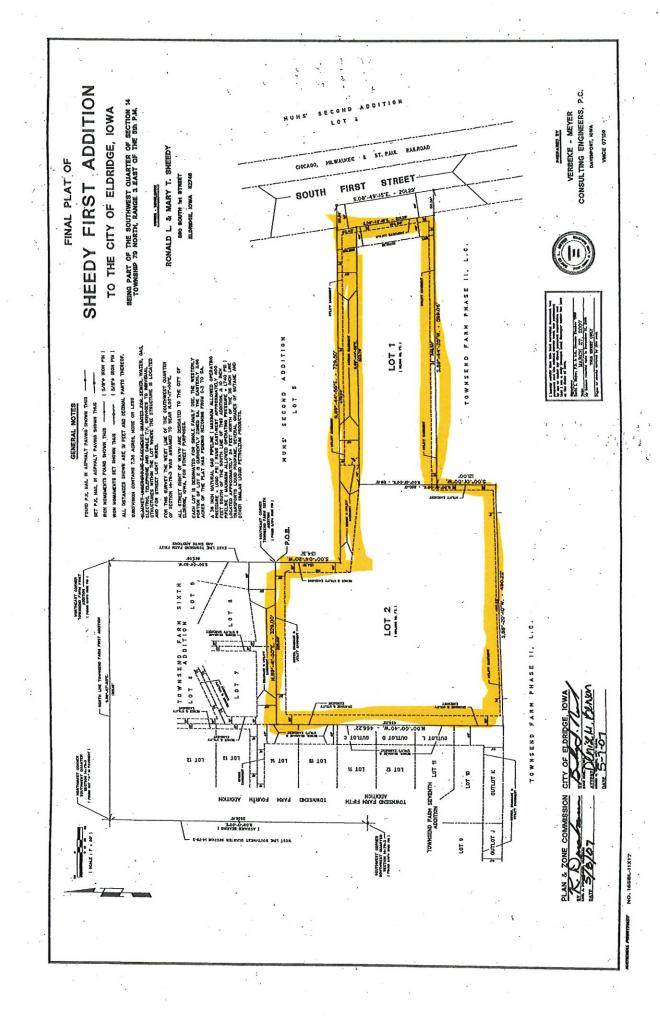
# Vacation Application Plan and Zone Commission

Property Address	880 S.1St St				
Legal Description of Property	Sheedy 1st Addition, Lot 2				
Applicant Name Address Phone Number Email Address Main Contact Person	Ashley Atkins 880 S. 1St St 563 468-7210 Asatkins 85@ Vahoo.				
Vacation Request	Request Council to review land record documents and city Council Meeting Minutes to Clarify easement access intent.				
Reason for Request	Building Permit denial Using Casement as access point				
Signature	Cash.				
On 8 1/2" x 11" paper, please provide the following: (1) Enclosures  A map showing the property location and surrounding zoning					
For office use only  Fee \$ 100  Filing Fee Paid \$ (0)  Payment Method  Courtesy Letters Sent	Date Filed 3/210/2024  Meeting Date 4/18/2024				









### Matt Van Waus

From:

"Matt Van Waus" <mvanwaus@netins.net>
"Dave Meyer" <dmeyervmce@netexpress.net>

To: Sent:

Wednesday, March 28, 2007 9:49 AM

Subject: Sheedy 1st Addition

#### Dave,

We have received materials for the above and I have now had a chance to glance through these materials. I noticed that you are referring to the area to the south of Sheedy 1st as Townsend Farm Phase II, L.C. It is my understanding that this area is actually Townsend Farm Phase III, L.C. (at least that is what the preliminary plat shows for the area). I suppose it is not a huge deal for the final plat and zoning plat, however I would think that it is a big deal on the legal description. If you do decide to make these corrections and resubmit in the near future, I have noticed a few items on the final plat that you may want to change while you are at it.

- It was my understanding that Ron wants to hook up to city sewer and water in the future. If this is the case, a
  sanitary sewer/utility easement needs to be provided through lot 2 so that he can hook on to existing sanitary
  sewer (to the northwest) from lot 1 in the future. If this is not the case, then by code a perc test will need to be
  completed and a copy of the results sent to the city before the final plat is approved.
- 2. The city has required 50' of ROW (100' total) for S. 1st Street in the past, as it is classified as a major thoroughfare. Please make this change. The front yard setback can stay at 90' from the CL of 1st (50' of ROW + the 40' setback requirement in a SA District—comes out to be the same distance in both cases).
- 3. The final plat will most likely be approved and possibly recorded <u>before</u> the rezoning is approved. As you know, the rezoning is an ordinance change and will need to be approved on three separate occasions by the city council. Therefore, you will want to list the zoning on the final plat as it exists presently (SA <u>and</u> C-3) or state something like there is a rezoning pending for 3.86 acres of the final plat from C-3 to SA etc...
- 4. As you are well aware, our engineer, several members of the commission and city council have always been in favor of minimizing the number of access points to major streets. Therefore, a small portion the 40' of frontage for lot 2 should probably be made into a SHARED access easement for both lot 1 and lot 2. I am fairly sure that Ron is in favor of doing this at this time as well.

If you do resubmit materials, I need only 1 copy of the zoning plat, 1 copy of the revised legal description for the rezoning, 1 copy of the 11 X 17 final plat, and 4 large copies of the final plat (not 10).

Thanks a lot Dave.

Matt Van Waus Assistant City Administrator Eldridge, IA 563-285-4841 mvanwaus@netins.net

#### Plan and Zone Commission Minutes

Meeting Date: April 19, 2007-6:30 p.m.

The Eldridge Plan and Zone Commission met in open session at 6:30 p.m., April 19, 2007. Present were Bob Bainter, John Higgins, Karl Donaubauer, Terry Harbour, Craig Herman, Duane Miller and John Karnstedt. Also present was Matt Van Waus.

The minutes from August 17, 2006 were presented for approval. Miller made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, second by Higgins. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

The first item on the agenda was consideration of approval of Steffe's Addition Final Plat. The proposed subdivision is located at 400 S. Scott Park Road. The area of platting contains 3.20 acres more or less. Van Waus reviewed the staff report and summarized some of the changes that had been made to the final plat. Van Waus recommended that the revised final plat be approved as presented to the commission. Karnstedt made a motion to approve the final plat, second by Bainter. Motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

At 6:44 p.m., Chairman Donaubauer opened a public hearing to discuss a rezoning request submitted by Ron and Mary Sheedy. The area to be rezoned contains 3.86 acres more or less. The property is located at 850 S. 1<sup>st</sup> Street. The Sheedy's have requested that the land be rezoned from C-3 General Commercial District to SA Suburban Agricultural District. Van Waus summarized the staff report. There were a few general questions asked regarding the specifics of the rezoning and some brief discussion among commission members. Bainter and Miller had some concern and sought clarification regarding potential agricultural use. Van Waus also made reference to the current zoning of the western 2/3 of the Sheedy property and to other adjacent and non-adjacent areas.

Donaubauer closed the public hearing at 6:52 p.m. Commission members continued to discuss the rezoning request for a few minutes. Karnstedt made a motion to approve the rezoning request, second by Miller. Motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

The last item on the agenda was consideration of approval of Sheedy 1st Addition Final Plat. The proposed subdivision is located at 850 S. 1st Street. The proposed subdivision contains 2 lots and area of platting is 7.36 acres more or less. Single-family residential use is planned for both lots. Van Waus reviewed the staff report and informed the commission of some of the circumstances surrounding the reason for the rezoning and platting of the property. Miller made a motion to approved the final plat as presented to the commission, second by Karnstedt. Motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Being no further business, Miller made a motion to adjourn, second by Karnstedt. Meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Van Waus

Assistant City Administrator

#### Eldridge City Council May 7, 2007 7:00 P.M.

#### STAFF REPORT

II. Final Plat Approval- Sheedy's Addition Petitioner: Ron and Mary Sheedy

Background: Ron and Mary Sheedy are requesting final plat approval for Sheedy's 1<sup>st</sup> Addition. The property is located at 850 S. 1<sup>st</sup> Street and the area of platting contains 7.36 acres.

Notes/Conditions of approval:

The Sheedy's plan on building a new home on lot 1 in the future when they
return to Eldridge. Utility easements have been provided that will allow a
future connection to city sewer. Ron and Mary also desire to hook up to city
water in the future (located along S. 1st Street).

Access to both lots will be allowed within the common/shared access easement shown on the plat.

Planning and Zoning Commission Recommendation: The engineering firm preparing the final plat has addressed our concerns and made revisions to the plat as requested. The Plan and Zone Commission voted unanimously to approve the final plat on April 19, 2007.

The City Council of Eldridge, Iowa met in open session at 7:00 p.m., May 7, 2007. Roll call showed Mayor Brad Noel: Council members Steve Mohr, Marty O'Boyle, Jim Curtis, Steve Puls and Brian Wood. Also present were: Kelley Rose, Angel Adams, Kaitlyn Potter, Ashley Oerman, Elly Daley, Karen Bernick, Cory Hankemeier, Craig Curtis, Harri Hyrsky, Jorgen Baumgarter, Andrew Briggs, Aaron Lecander, Eric Holland, Heather Link, Shilow Guywacheski, Barb Geerts, John Dowd and Denise Benson.

Agenda - Motion by Curtis to approve the agenda, second by Mohr. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

Public Comment - none

#### Mayor's Agenda

- A. Consideration of approval of the minutes from April 16, 2007. Motion by Mohr to approve the minutes as written, second by Puls. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.
- B. Consideration of approval of bills payable in the amount of \$220,065.00. Motion by Puls to approve the bills, second by Wood. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.
- C. Consideration of approval of the renewal of Class B beer license and Sunday sales permit for Rudy's Tacos. Motion by Curtis to approve the renewal under new ownership, second by Wood. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

#### Old Business -

A. The council discussed a revised capital improvement plan. The revised capital improvement plan will be voted on at the next meeting.

#### New Business -

- A. Consideration of authorizing proceeding with possible purchase of NS Fitness Center. Karen Bernick was present to give the council a list of 334 names of people who use the fitness center and she hopes the city will consider the purchase. After much discussion it was unanimously by the council to proceed with the possible purchase of the fitness center. Motion by Mohr to proceed, second by O'Boyle. Motion approved with 5 ayes, no nays. Motion carried.
- B. A public hearing was opened at 7:39 on the rezoning of a portion of the SW ¼ of Section 14, T79N, R3E of the 5th PM containing 3.86 acres MOL from C-3 General Commercial to SA Suburban Agricultural. No written or oral comments were received. Motion by Mohr to close the public hearing at 7:40, second by Wood. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.
- C. Consideration of approval of first reading of Ordinance 07-01 rezoning a portion of the SW ¼ of Section 14, T79N, R3E of the 5th PM containing 3.86 acres MOL from C-3 General Commercial to SA Suburban Agricultural. Motion by Curtis to approve the first reading, second by Puls. Roll call vote showed Mohr, Wood, Curtis, Puls and O'Boyle voting aye, no nays. Motion carried.
- D. Consideration of approval of Resolution 07-06 approving the final plat of Sheedy's 1<sup>st</sup> Addition. Motion by Puls to approve the resolution, second by Curtis. Roll call vote showed Mohr, Wood, Curtis, Puls and O'Boyle voting aye, no nays. Motion carried.
- E. Consideration of approval of Resolution 07-07 approving the final plat of Steffe's Addition. Motion by O'Boyle to approve the resolution, second by Puls. Roll call vote showed Mohr, Wood, Curtis, Puls and O'Boyle voting aye, no nays. Motion carried.
- F. Consideration of approval of Resolution 07-08 accepting an offer to remove rails and ties from N. 1st Street to Iowa Street. Motion by Mohr to approve the resolution, second by Curtis. Roll call vote showed Mohr, Wood, Curtis, Puls and O'Boyle voting aye, no nays. Motion carried.
- G. Consideration of approval of convening in closed session to discuss the purchase of real estate per Chapter 21.5j of the code of Iowa. Motion by Mohr to go into closed session at 8:17 P.M., second by O'Boyle. Roll call vote showed Mohr, Wood, Curtis, Puls and O'Boyle voting aye, no nays. Motion carried.
- H. Reconvene in open session at 8:46 p.m.; the council did not act on anything discussed in closed session.

Activity Reports -

City Administrator - working on budget amendment and public hearing.

<u>City Clerk</u>—routine business, did receive nomination papers for council members if anyone is interested. <u>Committee Reports</u>—Puls reported on the park board. Someone approached the park board about a flag football program; the park board approved the program. The sod was put down at Elmegreen Park today. Tile should be at Crandall Park this week. The two ASA tournaments at Sheridan Meadows went well.

Motion by Wood, second by Curtis, to adjourn the meeting. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Bradley J. Noel Mayor

Denise M. Benson City Clerk

#### RESOLUTION # 07- 06

## CERTIFICATE OF MAYOR AND CITY CLERK

We, Bradley J. Noel, Mayor and Denise M. Benson, City Clerk, of the City of Eldridge, Iowa, do hereby certify that the following Resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Eldridge, Iowa, at a meeting held on the 7\_day of May, 2007.

RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Eldridge, Iowa, that the Final Plat of SHEEDY 1<sup>st</sup> ADDITION to the City of Eldridge, Iowa, being a part of the Southwest Quarter of Section 14, Township 79 North, Range 3 East of the Fifth Principal Meridian, Scott County, Iowa, as filed with the Clerk by Ronald L. Sheedy and Mary T. Sheedy, husband and wife, owners of said real estate, be and the same is hereby approved and accepted; and further, that the City Council of the City of Eldridge, Iowa, does hereby accept the dedication of those portions shown on said Plat as being dedicated to the City of Eldridge for street or other purposes, if any; and the Mayor and City Clerk of said City be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to certify the adoption of this Resolution of the said Plat as required by law.

WITNESS our hands at Eldridge, Iowa, and the Seal of City of Eldridge, Iowa, on

this 7\_day of May, 2007.

Bv:

Bradley J. Noel, Mayor

ATTEST:

(City Seal)

Denise M. Benson, City Clerk