

Meeting Date: January 8, 2019

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and Members of Town Council

From: Sandy Vossler, Senior Planner, Development Services Department

Through: Bill Detweiler, Director, Development Services Department

Title:Resolution for a Site Development Plan, Amendment No. 9, The Meadows
Filing 16, Parcel 8 [Single Family Paired Homes; Southwest of Wolfensberger Road
and Coachline Road/Plum Creek Parkway]
(Town of Castle Rock Project SDP18-0028)

Executive Summary

The Site Development Plan (SDP) proposal is for a new neighborhood of 58 paired homes, totaling 116 single-family dwelling units. This site is located south of Wolfensberger Road,

west of the Plum Creek Parkway/Coachline Road intersection. Proposed amenities include two neighborhood parks and direct trail access to the Philip S. Miller/Ridgeline Open Space trail system.

Staff finds that this proposal is in conformance with the approved zoning and Town criteria, including the Municipal Code and Comprehensive Master Plan. The Planning Commission recommended denial of the SDP.



Vicinity Map

Planning Commission Action

Planning Commission considered this proposal at the December 13, 2018 public hearing **(Attachment C)**. The Commission voted 4 - 3 to recommend denial finding that the proposed development is out of character with adjacent uses, is inconsistent with the overall development in the area, does not harmonize with the surrounding properties, and that the paired home product does not fit in.

Chair Brooks, and Commissioners McKim and Ahrens were the dissenting votes, citing that the proposed site plan meets the current zoning qualifications. Staff finds that the proposed site development plan complies with the zoning entitlements on the property, the Town's guiding documents and 17.38.040 of the Municipal Code, and respectfully recommends approval of the Resolution, as proposed (Attachment B).

Background

Vested Property Rights

The Meadows Planned Development (PD), 4th Amendment is vested with property rights, through June 30, 2028, to undertake and complete the development and use of the property according to the PD plan. Vested property rights provide contractual assurance to the owner that the property may be developed and used according to provisions of the PD Plan and the PD Zoning Regulations. During the vesting period, the Town shall not take any zoning or land use action (whether by Town Council action or by an initiated measure) that would alter, impair, prevent, diminish, impose a moratorium on, or otherwise delay development or use of the property, in accordance with the approved Planned Development Plan and Zoning.

The Meadows and South Meadows Planned Developments

The Meadows is a master planned community located in the northwest portion of the Town of Castle Rock. The Meadows Planned Development (PD) was approved in 1984, allowing a maximum of 14,000 dwelling units, as well as commercial, office and industrial use areas. South Meadows PD was annexed to the Town of Castle Rock and zoned in 1985, allowing up to 369 dwelling units.

The Meadows PD has gone through several amendments. In 2003, the 4th Amendment incorporated the South Meadows PD into the Meadows PD. That rezoning set aside approximately 347 acres of South Meadows property as public land and dedicated open space, that is now part of P.S. Miller Park. Finally, the 4th Amendment zoned approximately 27 acres of the South Meadows property for single, paired, and multifamily uses. The 27-acre area is now the subject of this Site Development Plan (SDP) proposal. Currently, the Meadows PD, 4th Amendment allows a maximum of 10,644 dwelling units; to date approximately 6,476 units have received certificates of occupancy, none of which are within this Filing 16, Parcel 8.

Approved Zoning

Pursuant to the Meadows PD, 4th Amendment, this property is zoned to allow a maximum of 323 dwelling units on 26.9 acres; an approximate density of 12 dwelling units per acre (du/ac). Multifamily zoning allows the following housing types; single family detached and attached (paired) homes, apartments, condominiums, patio homes and townhomes. The maximum building height permitted is 50 feet.

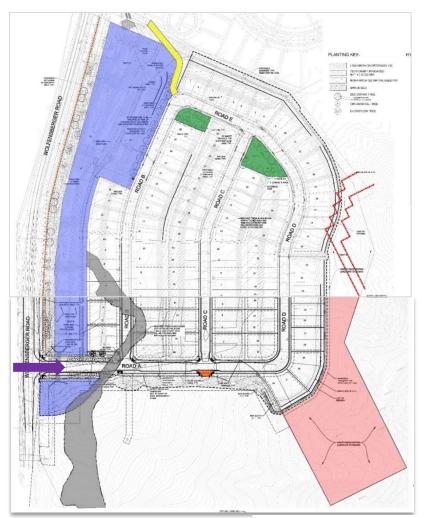
Existing Site Conditions

The undeveloped site contains a wide range of slopes and physical features, including significant ridges, drainages and high points. The vegetation consists predominantly of native grasslands and Gambel Oak. Some pine trees exist, on an intermittent basis, at the higher elevations. Other vegetation includes yucca, rabbit brush and mountain mahogany. Environmentally sensitive areas have been largely avoided by the proposed development plan.

Common wildlife such as deer and elk, as well as mice, voles and rabbits may be found on, or near the property. The adjacent park property to the southeast, south and west, combined with the significant drainage channel along the northern boundary will provide habitat and movement corridors for the wildlife. A request for external comments was sent to the Colorado Division of Parks and Wildlife on August 3, 2018. To date, no comments have been received.

Proposed Site Development Plan

This property is located south of Wolfensberger Road, west of the Plum Creek Parkway/Coachline Road intersection (Attachment A). The Site Development Plan (Exhibit 1 of Attachment B) proposes a neighborhood of 58 single family attached structures, also called paired homes, for a total of 116 dwelling units, or 4.3



Proposed Site Development

du/ac; compared to the zoning entitlement of 323 units and 12 du/ac, a reduction of 64%. Ranch style and two story homes are planned, with a maximum building height of 35 feet, compared to the zoning entitlement of 50 feet. Two parking spaces per unit, as is required by the Municipal

Code, will be provided in attached garages, with additional parking space available on each driveway. Proposed amenities in the new neighborhood include two small parks (highlighted in green) and direct pedestrian access (yellow) to the Philip S. Miller/Ridgeline trail system. A single point of vehicular access (purple arrow) from Wolfensberger will be located along the western boundary of the site. This road will also serve as future public access to the P.S. Miller Park property to the west. An emergency vehicle access (yellow) is also provided. The site plan designates 10.5 acres, or 39% of the site, as common landscaped area and open space.

Site Constraints and Accommodations

This property is impacted by constraints, such as Skyline-Ridgeline protection area and a FEMA designated floodplain, that have been addressed in this site plan. Portions of lots 16 through 19, along the southern boundary lie within the Minor Skyline (red dashed lines), where structure heights are limited to 35 feet. Retaining walls on the affected lots are a maximum height of approximately 20 feet, well below the 35-foot height allowance.

A FEMA designated floodplain traverses onto the property (gray). As is required by the Town, the applicant has completed and submitted a Preliminary Floodplain Modification Study (FMS) to demonstrate how the drainageway will be realigned to convey flows into a proposed improved drainage channel (blue). The Preliminary FMS has been reviewed and approved by the Town's Stormwater Manager. Prior to approval of the Construction Documents (CDs), a Final FMS must also be submitted and approved by the Town. The affected lots are shown on the SDP with crosshatch lines. No building permits may be issued for these lots, until the required floodplain improvements have been constructed and accepted by the Town.

Lastly, this property is adjacent to the P.S. Miller Park property along the southeast, south and west property lines. The applicant has willingly accommodated the Town's request to remove lots from the ridgeline overlooking the Park.

Specifically, the area shown in red on the aerial below, lies in close proximity to the outdoor amphitheater (circled in red), the parking lot and the Park's emergency vehicle access road, that connects to Wolfensberger Road.



Proximity to the PS Miller Park

The reason for the Town's request was two-fold, 1) amphitheater and park activities may impact the adjacent residents, and 2) preservation of the natural environment and views surrounding this portion of the Park. The proposed site plan shows that lots have been shifted out of this sensitive area.

Site Development Plan Review and Approval Criteria

The review and approval criteria for a Site Development Plan is established in the Town of Castle Rock Municipal Code, Section 17.38.040, subsections A through F. The following evaluates how the proposed site plan complies with the criteria for approval.

A. Community Vision/Land Use Entitlements

The Town's Vision and Comprehensive Master Plan (Master Plan) are guiding documents founded on four cornerstones; Distinct Town Identity, Responsible Growth, Community Services, Thriving Economy. Staff finds that this site plan meets the Master Plan goals, applicable to site planning, by

- Maintaining a buffered, non-urban development on the Town borders
- Preserving the ridgeline and scenic vistas
- Providing open space, parks and accessible trail connections
- Providing compatible architectural character
- Providing infill development sensitive to the scale of surrounding development
- Offering residents additional lifestyle and housing options

B. Site Layout

The property is surrounded by the Town's P.S. Miller Park (Miller Park) and open space to the southeast, south and west of the property. Miller Park west of the site, maintains the Town's non-urban buffer on its border as encouraged by the Master Plan. Future uses on the Miller Park property west of the site include active parks, playgrounds, community recreation centers and public buildings such as, but not limited to schools, libraries, fire stations, etc.

Wolfensberger Road is a major arterial road, that separates the site from the unincorporated properties to the north. The Wolfensberger Road corridor, extending from Prairie Hawk Drive, west to this site, approximately 1.25 miles, includes properties zoned for a variety of residential uses, with a range of densities, generally diminishing from east to west.

The Covenant PD, known as Park Preserve, lies directly east of this property and is separated by a Town owned open space tract ranging in width from 35 to 60 feet. The Covenant PD was annexed and zoned to the Town in 2014, for 58 single family detached homes. The Meadows Filing 16, Parcel 8 site plan is designed with development standards similar to Park Preserve to achieve compatibility. The table below provides a comparison of the total area, density, setbacks, heights, and parking between the two neighborhoods.

	Meadows Filing 16, Parcel 8	Covenant Neighborhood
Housing Type	Single Family Attached	Single Family Detached
Total Planning Area Acreage	26.9 acres	21.7 acres
Number of Dwelling Units	116	58
Dwelling Units per Acre	4.3	2.7
Number of Structures	58	58
Structures per Acre	2.2	2.7
Maximum Height	35 feet	35 feet
Setbacks		
Front	15 feet	15 feet
Front to Garage	20 feet	18 feet
Rear	10 feet	15 feet
Sideyard	0 feet (common wall)	5 feet
Sideyard to Street	10 feet	10 feet
Parking	2 per garage, plus driveway	2 per garage, plus driveway

The elevations of the paired homes are designed with elements resembling single family detached structures, and both ranch style and two story paired homes will be offered. As shown in the table above, the Meadows property has slightly fewer structures per acre, therefore from a form-based perspective, the two residential neighborhoods are very similar.

C. Circulation and Connectivity

Technical traffic reports were submitted to the Town with the SDP for analysis. The reports examine the potential impacts of the proposed development on existing and future infrastructure. Town Public Works engineers have reviewed and accepted all reports and analyses for this project, determining that road systems exist, or will be improved, to accept the added demand of this development.

In order to mitigate the traffic generated by the proposed neighborhood, the developer will construct a westbound left turn lane into the development, as well as an eastbound acceleration lane out of the development onto Wolfensberger Road. In addition, a stop sign will be installed at the proposed Road A and Wolfensberger Road intersection. In anticipation of a future connection to the park property west of the site, the developer is providing a curb cut and returns on Road A (see orange highlight on page 3 illustration). Further, a 10-foot sidewalk, trees and landscaping will be installed along the Wolfensberger Road frontage to provide pedestrian connectivity with the existing sidewalk along the Park Preserve frontage (see brown dashed line on page 3 illustration). Lastly, as noted above, an emergency vehicle access is also provided.

D. Services, Phasing and Off-site Impacts

Technical drainage and utility reports were submitted to the Town with the SDP for analysis. The reports examine the potential impacts of the proposed development on existing and future infrastructure. Town Utility engineers have reviewed and accepted all reports and analyses for this project, determining that water, sewer, and storm sewer exist, or will be improved, to accept the added demand of this development. The developer is responsible for constructing the stormwater collection and retention systems to support the development. As previously noted, a FEMA floodplain must be realigned to allow development of the site. Town engineers have approved the plan for realignment and must approve the final design submitted with the Construction Documents.

The Meadows Water Bank has sufficient water credits available to support this development.

As previously noted in section C, the technical traffic reports identified and appropriately mitigated all traffic impacts both on and off site.

E. Open Space, Public Lands, and Recreation Amenities and Preservation

Public land and open space dedications have been made to satisfy the Meadows obligations. This site plan also sets aside additional 10.5 open space acreage. Appropriate accessible trail connections will be made to trails external to the site. Internal sidewalks will provide internal pedestrian circulation.

F. <u>Preservation of Natural Features</u>

As previously noted, the site plan provides additional protection of the ridgeline, beyond what is required by the Skyline Ridgeline regulations. Additionally, environmentally sensitive areas have been largely avoided by the proposed development plan.

Budget Impact

Development of the property will generate review and impact fees, along with use taxes for residential development. Other ongoing cost of serving a new neighborhood, in terms of public infrastructure and services, will be comparable to other residential developments in Castle Rock.

Notification and Public Outreach

Neighborhood Meeting

A neighborhood meeting was held on Thursday, May 17th at the Meadows Taft House and Pool. The subject property was posted with neighborhood meeting signs, written notice was sent to all property owners within 300 feet of the site, and notice was posted on the Town's website at least 15 days prior to the neighborhood meeting. Two residents and Town staff attended the meeting. Representatives of Castle Rock Development Company, discussed the proposed site plan and presented a PowerPoint. Attendees asked general questions about the number of units, price point, permitted uses, and Wolfensberger Road improvements. There were no objections to the project expressed at the meeting.

External Referral Comments

Staff sent requests for external comments to service providers and Douglas County and State agencies on August 3, 2018. Documents forwarded for review included the project application, narrative, title commitment, site development plan, mineral rights affidavit, land suitability

analysis, traffic impact analysis, phase II drainage report, preliminary utility report, and preliminary floodplain modification report.

Douglas County School District acknowledged the decrease in the number of units proposed compared to the units allowed by the zoning, and provided no further comments. Douglas County provided a standard comment that the street names be included on the plat. Intermountain Rural Electric required easements be called out. Black Hills Energy, CenturyLink, Plum Creek Water Reclamation Authority, Chatfield Watershed Authority had no objections to the proposal. As previously noted, the Colorado Division of Parks and Wildlife did not return any comments. There are no unresolved external comments.

Planning Commission Public Hearing

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on December 13th to consider the Site Development Plan. Prior to the hearing, staff received two emails from adjacent property owners, copies of which were provided to the Commission prior to the hearing, and are attached to this staff report (**Attachment D**). The Commission took public comment on the site plan proposal. Three residents of the adjacent Park Preserve neighborhood addressed the Planning Commission and expressed the following concerns and questions:

- The concrete drainage swale, duplexes and parking lots will diminish property values in their neighborhood.
- The internal sidewalks between the two neighborhoods should not be connected.
- The buffer between the two neighborhoods, containing the emergency vehicle access and trail, should be closed off to the public due to the increased foot traffic.
- The Meadows Filing 16, Parcel 8 is beautiful property; why does it have to be developed now, and at the proposed density.

Staff and the applicant provided follow up information as requested by Planning Commission. The drainage swale is part of the overall drainage system for the property and has been reviewed by Town engineers. There are no parking lots proposed for the site and duplexes are a single family attached housing type permitted by the Meadows zoning. The number of dwelling units and the density are 64% below what is allowed by the Meadows zoning. The sidewalks along the Wolfensberger frontage will be connected. The buffer between the two neighborhoods is a public trail connection. The applicant provided the background on the Meadows and South Meadows zoning.

Planning Commission Recommendation and Findings

Following public comment, Planning Commission expressed concerns relative to the density, parking, age of the existing zoning and Comprehensive Master Plan guidelines. The Planning Commission voted 4-3 to recommend to Town Council denial of the Site Development Plan finding that the paired home product does not fit with adjacent uses and that the proposed development is inconsistent with the overall development in the area, is out of character with adjacent uses, and does not harmonize with surrounding properties.

Staff Analysis and Recommendation

Staff finds that the proposed Site Development Plan meets requisite review and approval criteria discussed in this report and listed below. All staff review comments and external referral comments have been addressed.

- The Site Development Plan supports the objectives of the Town Vision and the Comprehensive Master Plan,
- The Site Development Plan complies with the Meadows site specific development plan and vested property rights,
- The Site Development Plan meets the development standards of the Meadows Preliminary PD Site Plan, Amendment No. 4 and PD Zoning Regulations,
- The Site Development Plan meets the review and approval criteria of the Municipal Code, Chapter 17.38, and
- Adequate water, wastewater, storm sewer and road infrastructure exists, or is proposed with this project to serve the property.

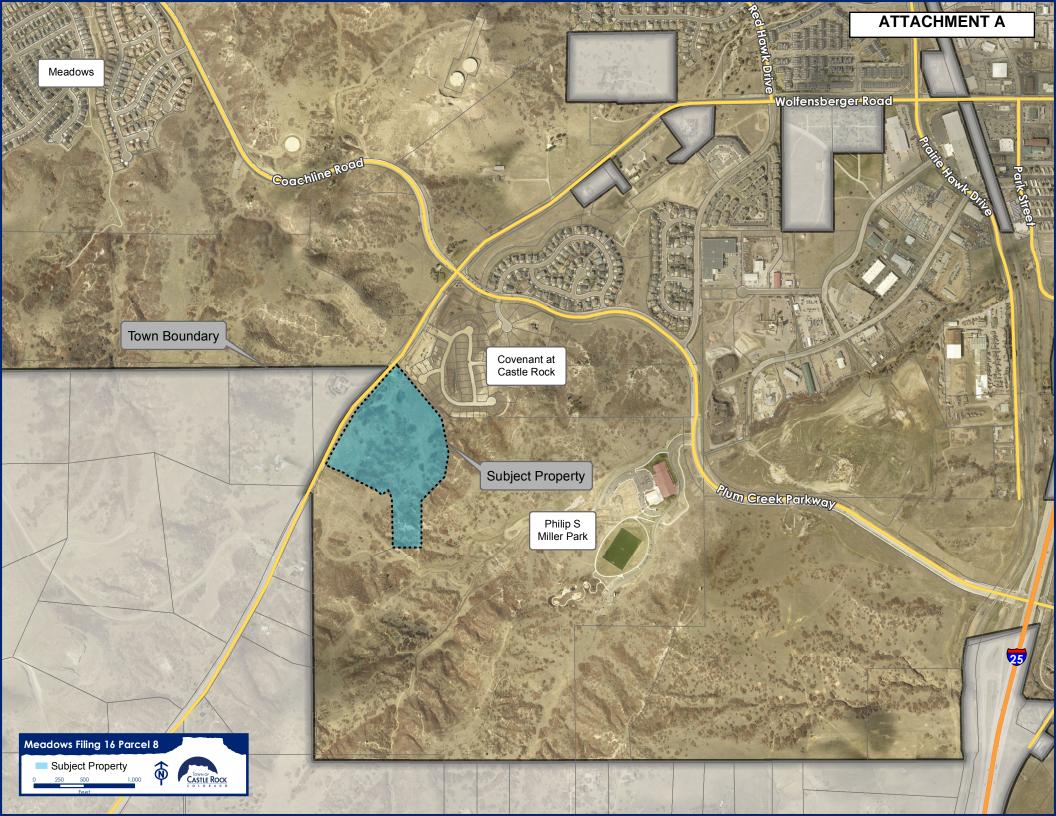
Staff, respectfully, recommends that Town Council approve the Site Development Plan, as proposed.

Proposed Motion

I move to approve the Resolution, as introduced by title.

Attachments

- Attachment A: Vicinity Map
- Attachment B: Resolution
- Attachment B, Exhibit 1: Site Development Plan
- Attachment C: Draft Planning Commission Minutes
- Attachment D: Resident Emails



RESOLUTION NO. 2019 - ____

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE MEADOWS FILING NO. 16, PARCEL 8

WHEREAS, Castle Rock Development Company has requested approval of a Site Development Plan for The Meadows Filing No. 16, Parcel 8 ("Site Development Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the Site Development Plan supports the goals and objectives of the Vision 2030 and the 2030 Comprehensive Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Site Development Plan complies with the Meadows Preliminary Planned Development Site Plan (Meadows Fourth Amendment), and the Meadows Planned Development Zoning Regulations (Meadows Fourth Amendment); and

WHEREAS, the Site Development Plan substantially meets the criteria for approval set forth in 17.38.040 of the Town of Castle Rock Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, public hearings on the Site Development Plan have been held before the Planning Commission and Town Council in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Castle Rock Municipal Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CASTLE ROCK, COLORADO AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. <u>Approval.</u> The Site Development Plan for The Meadows Filing No. 16, Parcel 8 in the form attached as *Exhibit 1* is hereby approved.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED on first and final reading this ____day of _____, 2019, by the Town Council of the Town of Castle Rock by a vote of _____ for and _____

against.

ATTEST:

TOWN OF CASTLE ROCK

Lisa Anderson, Town Clerk

Jason Gray, Mayor

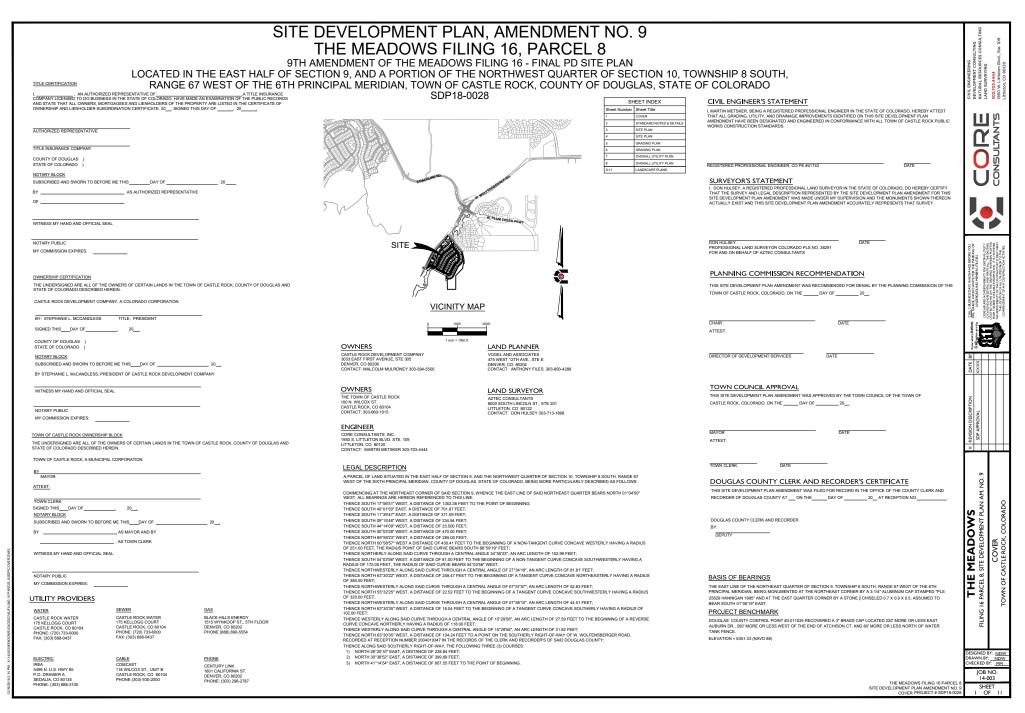
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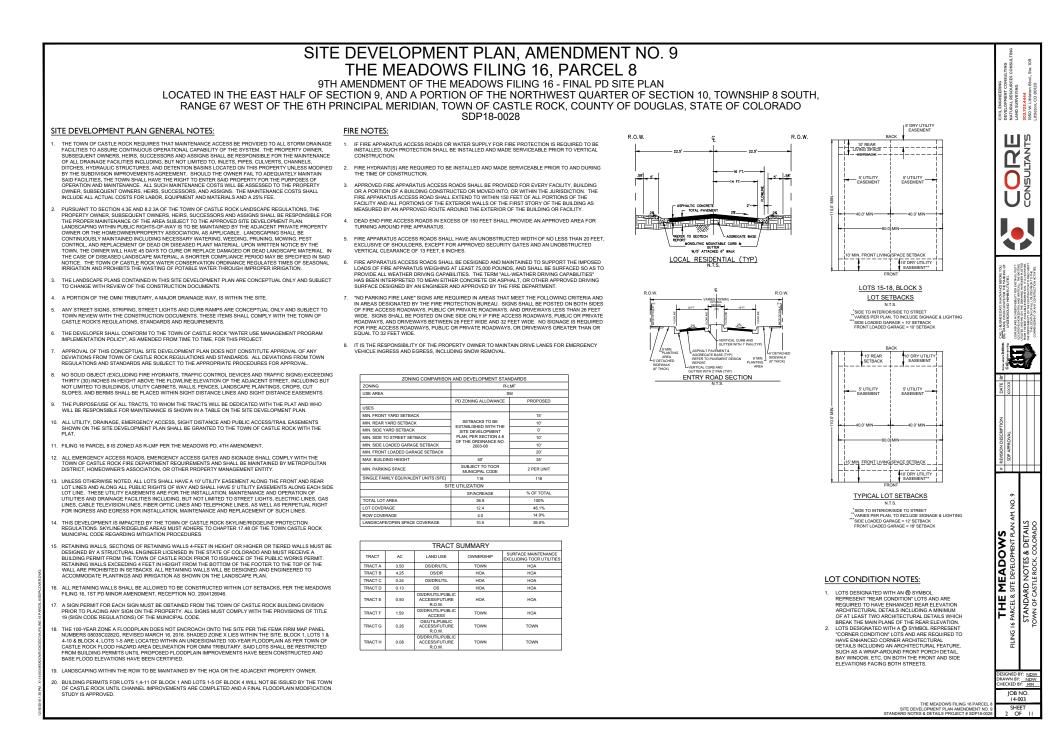
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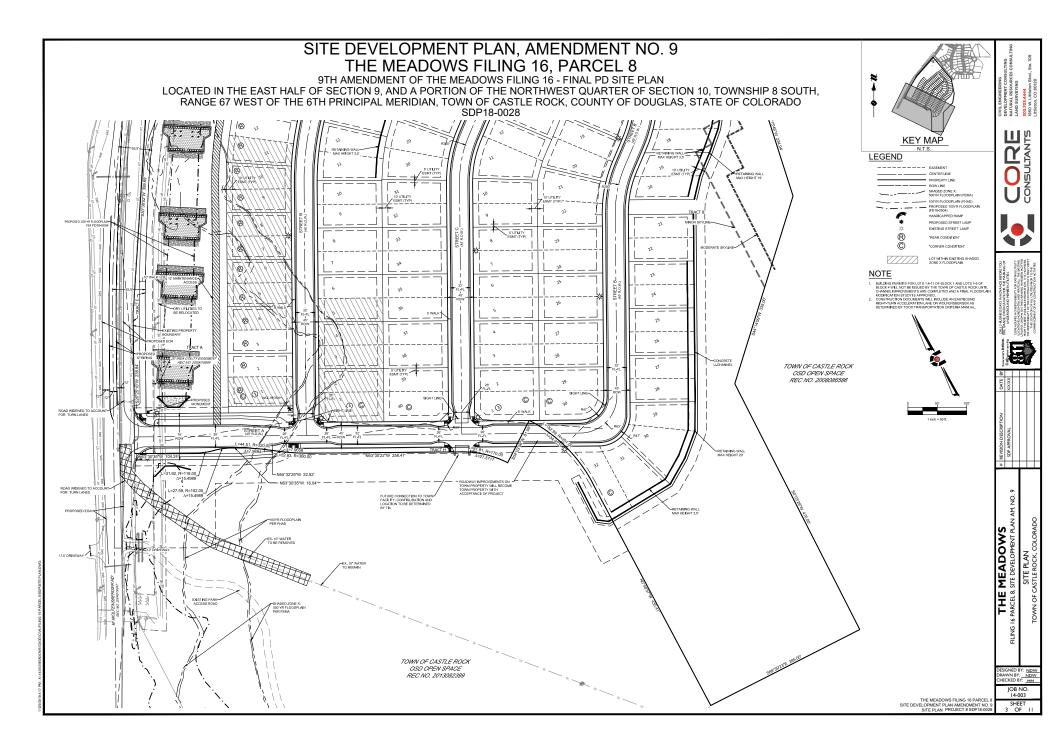
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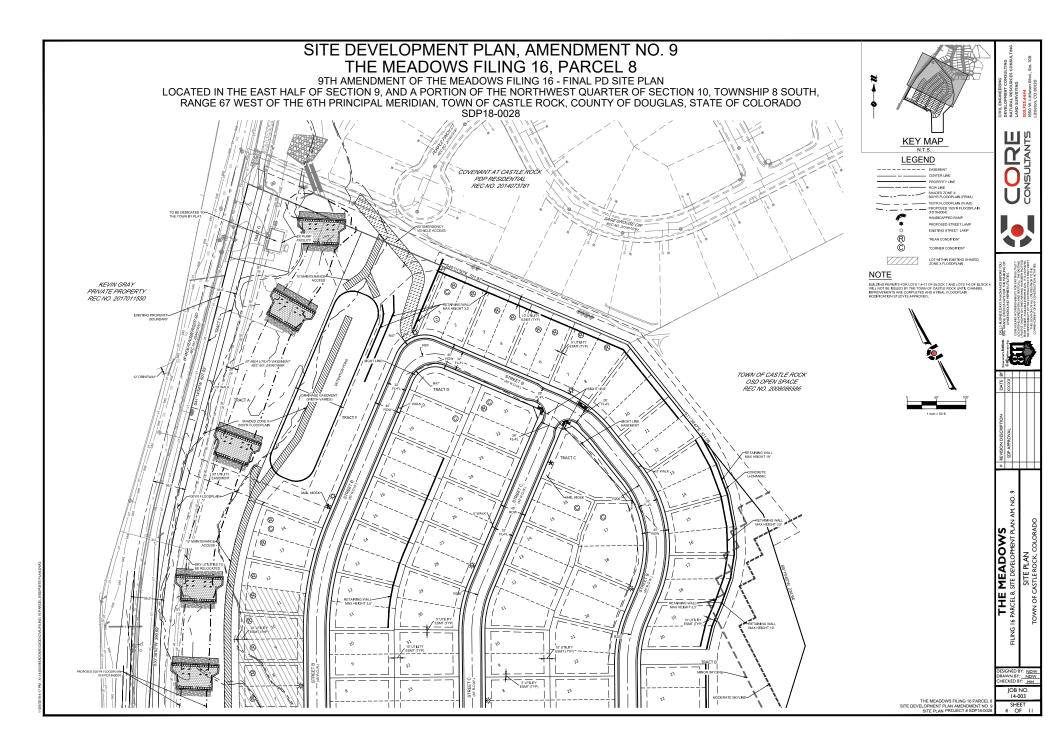
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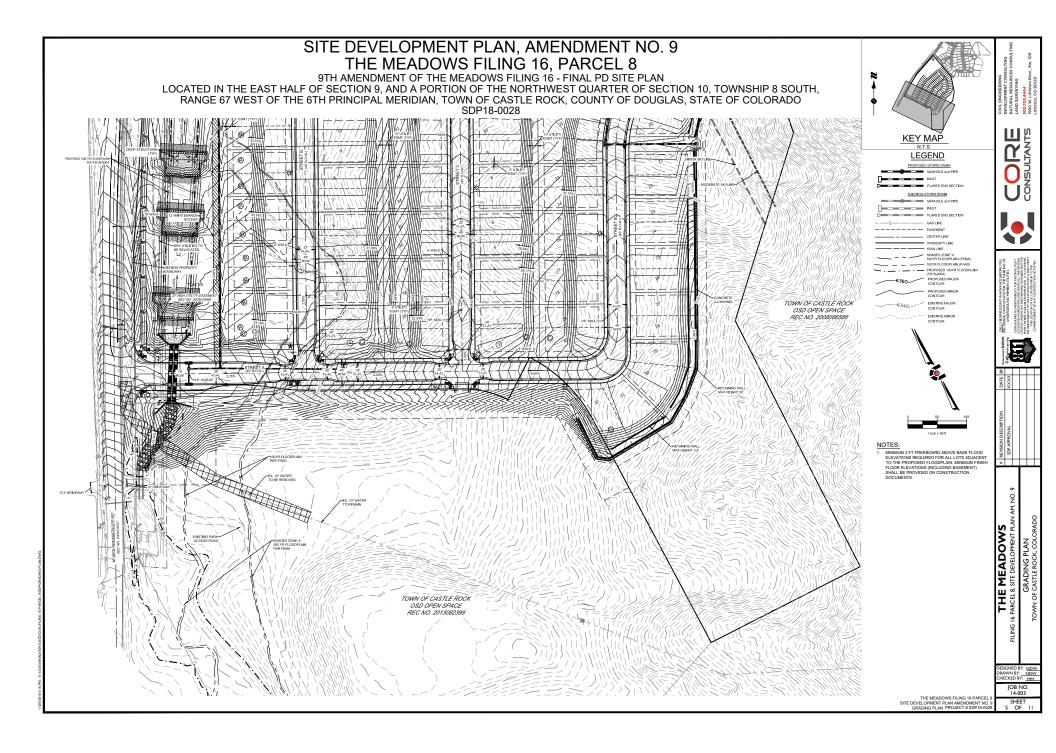
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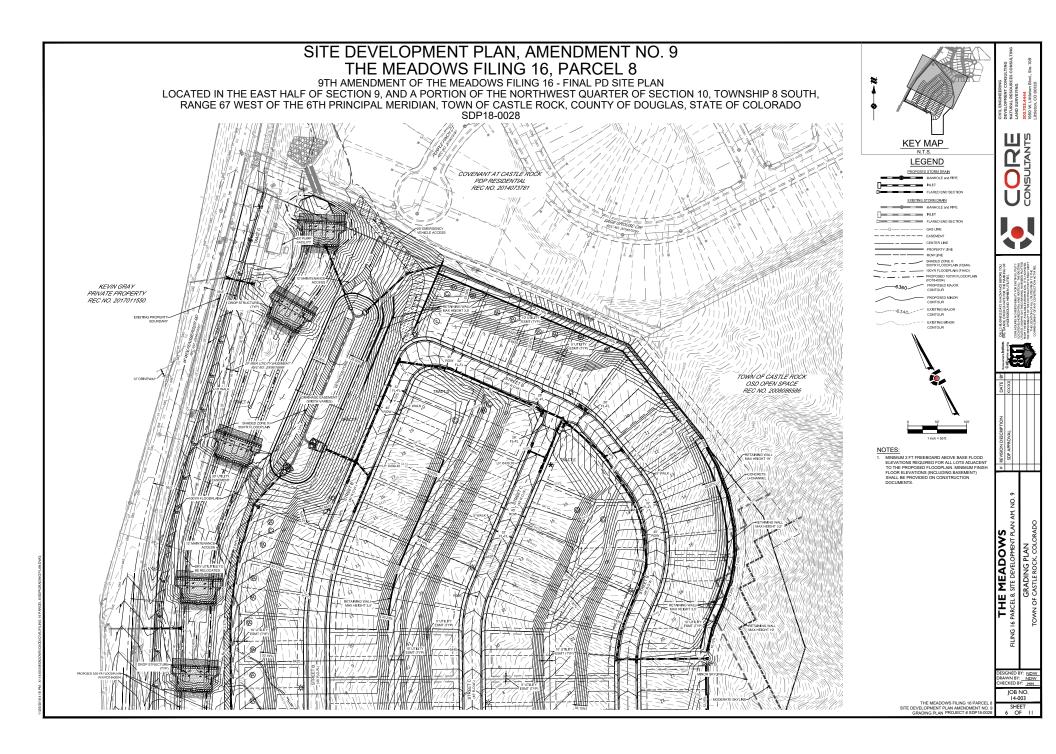


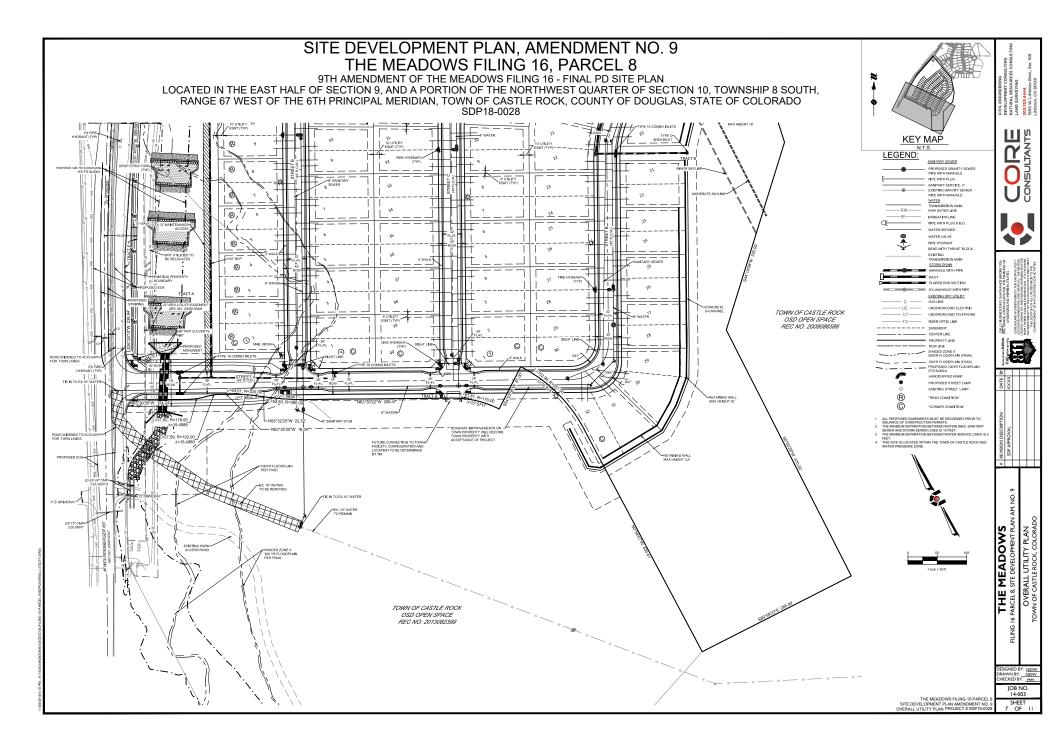


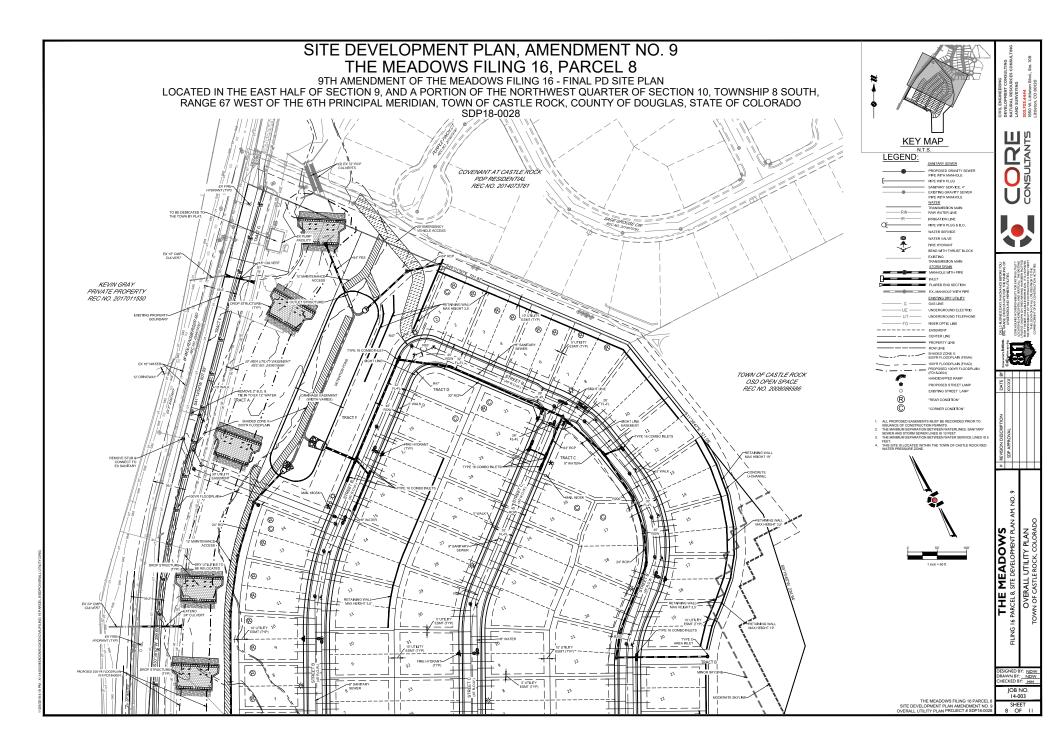


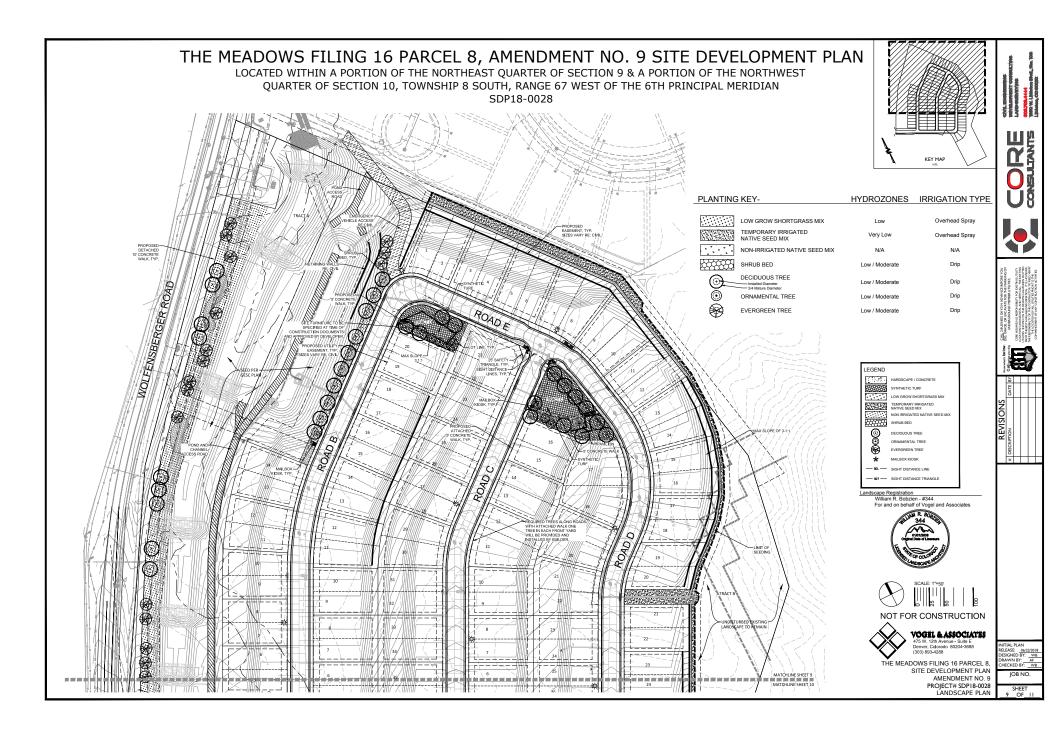


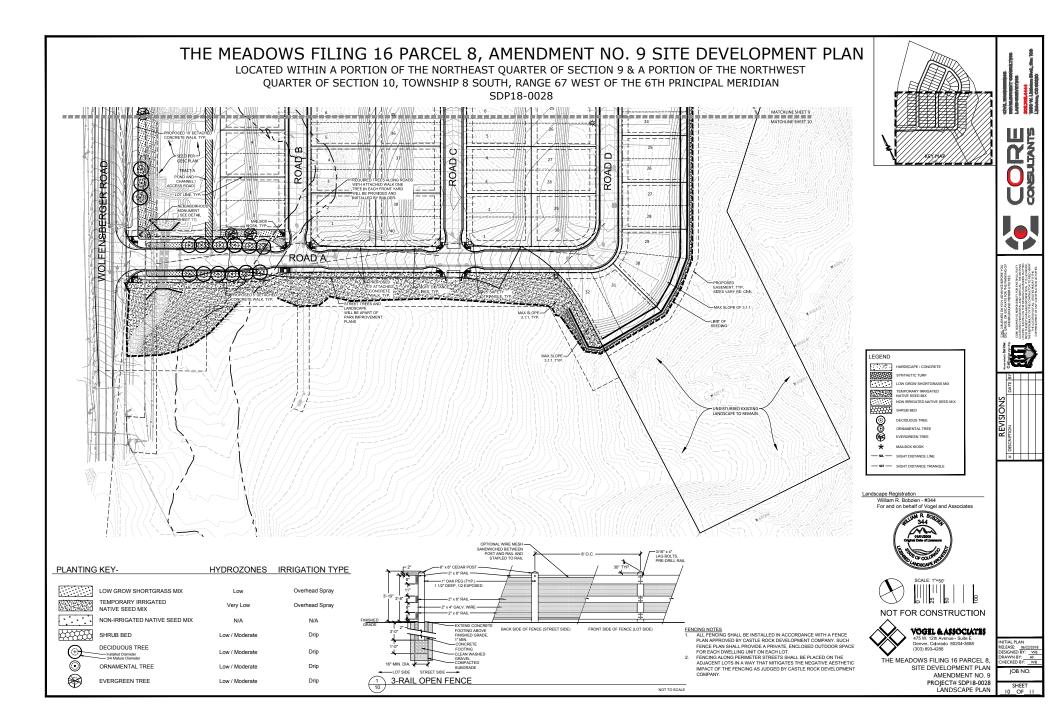


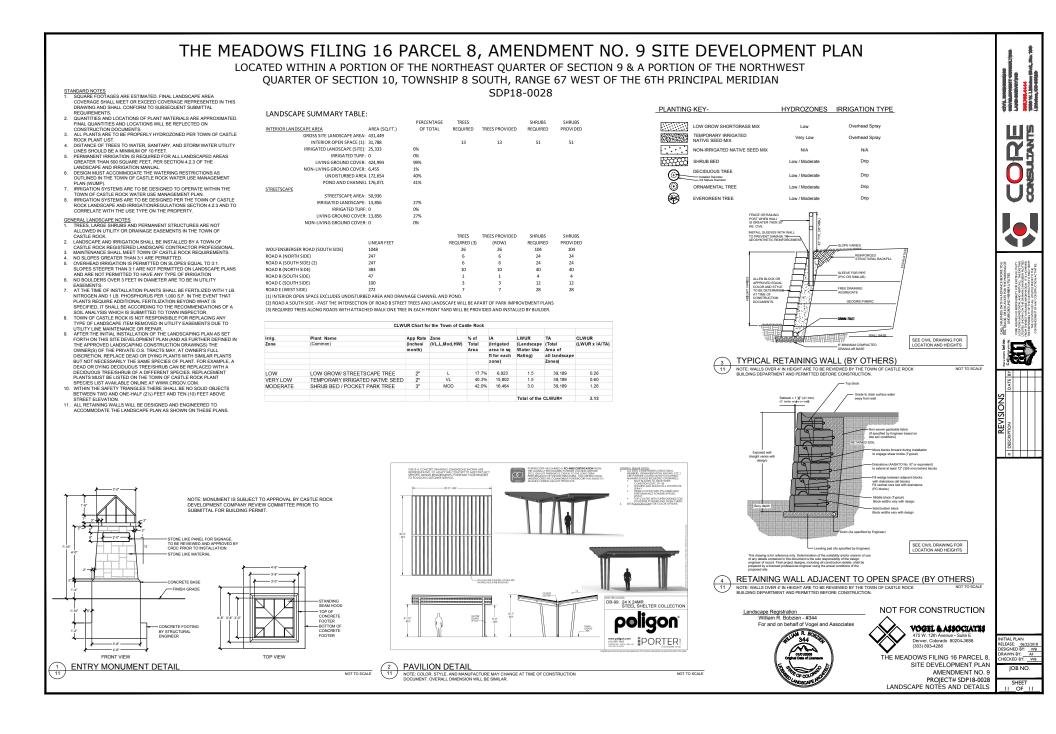












ATTACHMENT C



Planning Commission Meeting Minutes - Draft Max Brooks - Chair David Kay - Vice Chair Dan Ahrens Chris Cote Charles Fletcher Richelle McKim Laurie Van Court

Thursday, December 13, 2018	6:00 PM	Town Hall
		100 N. Wilcox Street
		Castle Rock, CO 80104

This meeting is open to the public. Three or more Council members may also attend this meeting, during which the items listed herein will be discussed.

** ALL TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE **

DINNER FOR BOARD MEMBERS

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

- **Present** 7 Max Brooks, Laurie Van Court, David Kay, Charles Fletcher, Dan Ahrens, Richelle McKim, and Chris Cote
- Attendance 5 Elizabeth Allen, Tara Vargish, Kevin Wrede, Sandy Vossler, and Sharon Chavez

CERTIFICATION OF MEETING

Ms. Chavez confirmed that notice of this meeting and the agenda had been posted and witnessed in accordance with the requirements of the Open Meetings Law.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

PC 2018-040 September 27, 2018 Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

Attachments: PC 09-27-2018 Minutes

Motion: (6:05 p.m.) Commissioner Kay moved to approve the September 27, 2018 Planning Commission Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Van Court seconded the motion. Passed: (6:05 p.m.) 7-0-0

Yes: 7 - Brooks, Van Court, Kay, Fletcher, Ahrens, McKim, and Cote

PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

PC 2018-041Site Development Plan, Amendment No. 9, The Meadows Filing 16,
Parcel 8 [Single Family Paired Homes; Southwest of Wolfensberger Road
and Coachline Road/Plum Creek Parkway] (Town of Castle Rock Project
SDP18-0028)

Attachmen	ts: <u>Staff Memorandum</u>
	Attachment A: Vicinity Map
	Attachment B: Site Development Plan
	Public Record Documents
	Staff Presentation: (6:06 p.m.) Sandy Vossler, Senior Planner, presented and answered questions. Applicant: (6:21 p.m.) Malcom Maroney and RC Hanish, Castle Rock Development Company, presented and answered questions.
	 Public Comment: (6:30 p.m.) Concerns from the public for Site Development Plan, Amendment No. 9, The Meadows Filing 16, Parcel 8 included: Home values Price point of homes being built Swell
	Motion: (7:18 p.m.) Chair Brooks moved to recommend to Town Council approval of the Site Development Plan, Amendment No. 9, The Meadows Filing 16, Parcel 8 as proposed. Commissioner Ahrens seconded the motion. Failed: (7:19 p.m.) 3-4-0
Yes: 3 -	Brooks, Ahrens, and McKim
No: 4 -	Van Court, Kay, Fletcher, and Cote
	Second Motion: (7:19 p.m.) Vice Chair Kay moved to recommend to Town Council denial of the Site Development Plan, Amendment No. 9, The Meadows Filing 16, Parcel 8. Commissioner Van Court seconded the motion. Failed: (7:31 p.m.) 2-5-0
Yes: 2 -	Kay, and Fletcher
No: 5 -	Brooks, Van Court, Ahrens, McKim, and Cote
	Third Motion: (7:48 p.m.) Chair Brooks moved to recommend to Town Council denial of the Site Development Plan, amendment No. 9, The Meadows Filing 16, Parcel 8. Vice Chair Kay seconded the motion. Passed: (7:48 p.m.) 4-3-0
Yes: 4 -	Van Court, Kay, Fletcher, and Cote
No: 3 -	Brooks, Ahrens, and McKim
COMMISSION ITE	MS
	 A. Quorum: Regular Meeting scheduled for Dec. 27, 2019 - Commissioners cancelled. B. Quorum: Regular Meeting scheduled for Jan.10, 2019 - Commissioners present will be in attendance. C. Quorum: Regular Meeting scheduled for Jan. 24, 2019 - Commissioners present will be in attendance.

ITEMS FROM STAFF: (7:53 p.m.) None.

TOWN COUNCIL UPDATE: (7:54 p.m.) None.

ADJOURN: (7:55 p.m.)

Minutes approved by the Planning Commission on ______ by a vote of _____ in favor, _____ opposed, with _____ abstention(s).

Planning Commission

Sandy Vossler

From:	Malcolm Mulroney <mmulroney@crdvco.com></mmulroney@crdvco.com>
Sent:	Thursday, December 06, 2018 7:26 PM
То:	rob meissner
Cc:	Sandy Vossler
Subject:	RE: The Meadows Filing 16 Parcel 8

Good evening Rob, thank you for your email and engaging in the development process. I would like to clarify that while Parcel 8 is zoned for 328 multifamily units we are **only proposing 116 paired single family houses**. These will mostly be ranch style duplexes but the builder is still finalizing the architecture with our planning team.

I apologies if my letter was confusing in anyway and I'm available on phone or email to answer any other questions.

Cheers Malcolm Mulroney Land Development Project Manager Castle Rock Development Company Cell - 720-445-0400

From: rob meissner [mailto:robmeissner5@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, December 6, 2018 7:11 PM
To: Malcolm Mulroney <mmulroney@crdvco.com>
Cc: svossler@crgov.com
Subject: The Meadows Filing 16 Parcel 8

See attached document.

Thank You,

Rob meissner

Begin forwarded message:

From: Joseph Murin <<u>joseph.t.murin@gmail.com</u>> Date: December 6, 2018 at 6:50:03 PM MST To: <u>robmeissner5@gmail.com</u> Subject: Project Mail we got

Sandy Vossler

From:	Malcolm Mulroney <mmulroney@crdvco.com></mmulroney@crdvco.com>
Sent:	Thursday, December 06, 2018 7:25 PM
То:	Joseph Murin
Cc:	Sandy Vossler
Subject:	RE: The Meadows Filing 16 Parcel 8

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Cheers Malcolm Mulroney Land Development Project Manager Castle Rock Development Company Cell - 720-445-0400

From: Joseph Murin [mailto:joseph.t.murin@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, December 6, 2018 5:44 PM
To: Malcolm Mulroney <mmulroney@crdvco.com>; svossler@crgov.com
Subject: The Meadows Filing 16 Parcel 8

Good Evening,

I am requesting any and all information regarding the mentioned Castle Rock development project. As one of the new homes in the adjacent DR Horton Park Preserve neighborhood, my lot currently backs up to Parcel 8. It is quite discouraging to think how the town's project for 50' apartments would negatively affect our already declining home values.

My neighbors and I are looking forward to the meeting on the 13th.

Thank you.

Joe

FYI - citizen communication to Council on quasi judicial item

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: <<u>houseoboys3@aol.com</u>> Date: January 7, 2019 at 3:55:20 PM MST To: <<u>TownCouncil@CRgov.com</u>> Subject: Kratom Bar and Site Development Plan, Amendment No. 9, The Meadows Filing 16, Parcel 8

Dear Town Council,

I am a resident of Castle Rock for 14 years in the Castlewood Ranch area. I recently watched the town council meeting from December and would like to make my opposition to the Karatom Bar known. I listened to the people stating how it has helped them, and that it is their right to have access to it, but it appears they already have access to the product, no one is stopping them from using it in the privacy of their homes, this has to do with opening a bar for open consumption in the public. As the product doesn't appear to have FDA approval, and there are no standards for what is actually in the product, I feel this is opening the door to potential health hazards for our community.

In addition, I would like to voice my opposition to the site development plan, Amendment No. 9 The meadows Filing 16 Parcel 8. I am a Colorado native(2nd generation) who grew up in Arvada, lived in Littleton before Castle Rock. When we decided to move to Castle Rock, we were searching for a family community, one where our children could run and play. There were several neighborhoods, where we noticed, houses so closely situated that if you wanted, you could reach from your house to the neighbors to answer the phone. We did find our current neighborhood and loved the open spaces, and room to breathe. One of our first memories is our sons, running into our room alarmed at the strange looking geese in our backyard.....these turned out to be turkeys.

When I look at the overall plans for our community I have concerns with the look, and feel that is changing our community. We are fortunate to live in an area with such beautiful landscape, and I have seen the disregard for these areas. In our neighborhood, by Flagstone Elementary, there were lots with amazing rocks, we call it the Rock Monster lot. We recently noticed that the rock had been blasted away to put a house, and the lot divided into 3 lots. When I hear responsible growth, I think of that lot, and areas where there is incline, and trees that are being grated down and torn down. To me responsible growth is allowing the incorporation of the beauty of our area with buildings. Placing 58 paired homes with 116 single family homes on 27 acres is NOT responsible growth, its stretching our resources(water)and maybe we wouldn't need to be discussing "gray water" if we limited the amount of homes we are building.

I know many others in our community feels the same, we would like to see more open space between houses, areas of open space through out neighborhoods. I know we moved here for the feeling of rural/suburb and we are losing that. I want others to have the joy of sitting on their back patio to watch the deer and turkeys, and not have to watch their neighbors in their house. I want to live in an area where, my neighbor can decide to take some kratom, and feel good enough to sing, and I don't have to hear it.

I would love for Castle Rock to be an area people want to move to not because its, "cheaper than other areas of Colorado", but because of the value of living here. I would love to see people equate Castle Rock with Open Spaces and Room to Breathe.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Kelly Miller

Brad Ostroff
Sandy Vossler
Town Council meeting tonight.
Tuesday, January 08, 2019 12:00:24 PM

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>> My name is Brad Ostroff. My wife and I moved to Castle Rock in August. We live at 648 Sage Grouse Cir. in the Park Preserve development. What attracted us to Park Preserve was the unique property in and around our development. It is a smaller community situated in a mountain setting. We have open spaces, hiking and bike trails in our backyard which we use, mountains (you Coloradans probably would call them hills) surrounding the development, the magnificent sunsets over the mountains, and lower density than the developments closer to downtown and it's busy intersections, traffic lights and noise. This setting was exactly what we were looking for. So we bought our home.

>> We recognized there would be developments near Park Preserve in the future but that these developments would be consistent with the natural beauty of our surroundings and sight lines. Fast forward to December where we learned at a meeting of the Planning and Zoning Committee that a development on the other side of the bike trails, Parcel 8, was attempting to build a development on 28 acres with 58 duplexes, 116 total houses. The resulting density was unimaginable to my wife and I. Park Preserve is 58 houses on 22 acres. The proposed development titled "Parcel 8" is approximately 30 percent larger with increased housing of 100 percent more than Park Preserve. It would come within 8-10 feet of the hiking trail and would impede sight lines of the mountains and meadows. It would result in at least 232 more cars entering and leaving their community, probably more, when including adult children living with parents and in some cases homeowners with more than 2 cars. This increase in cars on Wolfensberger and the round about will be crowded.

>> I did some further research and found the property across Wolfensberger was zoned for approx 58 homes on approx 40 acres. Less homes, more acreage than Parcel 8. Lower density consistent with Park Preserve. I also saw the property on the hills nearest the round about bordering Park Preserve. It has 2-3 single family homes and 3-4 lots for sale of approx 3-4 acres or more. Again, much lower density than Parcel 8.

>> Treat Parcel 8 the same as all of the above. Park Preserve is 58 homes on 28 acres. Across Wolfensberger is 58 homes on 40 acres. Neither permit duplexes. The single family homes on the hill maybe less than 10 homes on 3-4 acres. Parcel 8 is 116 homes on 28 acres with duplexes.

>> More density further away from town make no sense and I believe is inconsistent with many other towns and cities. The majority of the Planning and Zoning Committee agreed.

>> Parcel 8 will result in 232 or more cars approaching and attempting to keep traffic moving around the circle, accidents, a large increase in noise, and excessive noise from longer construction of future developments. It could be a detriment to our water issues. It will affect and maybe eliminate wild life on the hills and meadows near all of the above noted properties, some of which we see near our homes in the morning and at night. It will impede views of the hills and meadows (the meadows will disappear), and could impede the ingress and egress to and from parking spaces for hikers on Coachline. This small area is a community asset for all of Castle Rock. Low density is mandated to preserve this asset.

>> I hope you all have walked this property to truly appreciate the beauty and the need to preserve this area. It is truly unique to Castle Rock and a benefit to the Town and all of it's residents. I understand continued development in Castle Rock is necessary. However, it must be reasonable development.

>> Thank you.

>> Brad and Robin Ostroff.

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>> Sent from my iPad

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