# Midway City Council 19 July 2022 Regular Meeting

# Haven Farms Subdivision / Amendment



### **<u>CITY COUNCIL MEETING STAFF REPORT</u>**

DATE OF MEETING:	July 19, 2022
NAME OF PROJECT:	Haven Farms Rural Preservation Subdivision
NAME OF APPLICANT:	The Wasatch Valley Trust
AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE:	Summit Engineering Group
AGENDA ITEM:	Plat Amendment of Lots 6, 7, and 8
LOCATION:	122 West 1290 South (Lot 8), 184 West 1290 South (Lot 7), and 258 West 1290 South (Lot 6)
ZONING DESIGNATION:	RA-1-43 zone

#### ITEM: 8

Summit Engineering Group, agent for The Wasatch Valley Trust, is proposing a plat amendment of the Haven Farms Rural Preservation Subdivision Lots 6, 7, and 8. The proposal is to adjust the common boundaries of the three lots. The properties are located at 122 West 1290 South (Lot 8), 184 West 1290 South (Lot 7), and 258 West 1290 South (Lot 6) and are in the RA-1-43 zone.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The Wasatch Valley Trust is proposing a plat amendment to the Haven Farms Rural Preservation Subdivision. The properties are located at 122 West 1290 South (Lot 8), 184 West 1290 South (Lot 7), and 258 West 1290 South (Lot 6) and are in the RA-1-43 zone. The proposal is to adjust the common lot line between the three lots. Currently Lot 8 is 3.41 acres, Lot 7 is 4.26 acres, and Lot 6 is 3.75 acres. After the amendment Lot 8 will be 2.81 acres, Lot 7 will be 2.84 acres, and

Lot 6 will be 5.77 acres. This result is Lot 8 will decrease by 0.6 acres, Lot 7 will decrease by 1.42 acres, and Lot 6 will increase by 2.02 acres.

The proposal does not create any additional lots and therefore should not have an impact on traffic, water, or sewer. The adjustments to the property lines should not impact existing sewer and water laterals that are installed to the lots.

### ANALYSIS:

A plat amendment is usually a legislative item and City Council is not obligated to allow any changes even if they feel that the applicant met the requirements of the Code. Subsection 9a-608(5)(a) states "a land use authority may consider at a public meeting an owner's petition to vacate or amend a subdivision plat if the petition seeks to:

(iii) adjust the lot lines of adjoining lots or parcels if the fee owners of each of the adjoining lots or parcels join in the petition, regardless of whether the lots or parcels are located in the same subdivision;

With that being said, a lot line adjustment is an administrative action, according to state law, as long as the properties comply with the land use ordinance. Utah law states that "owners of record of adjacent parcels…may exchange title to portions of those parcels if the exchange of title is approved by the land use authority in accordance with Subsection (5)(b). Utah Code 10-9a-608(5)(a). Subsection (5)(b) states that "the land use authority shall approve an exchange of title under Subsection (5)(a) if the exchange of title will not result in a violation of any land use ordinance."

No public street, right-of-way, or easements will be vacated. The 10' public utility easements that run along both sides of the common boundary line will be adjusted so that it continues to run along the common boundary line.

Haven Farms is a Rural Preservation Subdivision which has specific restrictions that apply. The lots are all deed restricted and are not allowed to be further subdivided. The proposal is to adjust the boundaries between the three lots and does not violate any of the rural preservation code. Density will remain the same and the lots still comply with the minimum acreage requirements of one acre in the RA-1-43 zone.

The duration of a plat amendment approval shall be for one year from the date of approval of the amendment by the City Council. Should the amended plat not be recorded by the County Recorder within the one-year period of time, the plat amendment's approval shall be voided, and approval must be re-obtained, unless, upon request by the applicant and on a showing of extenuating circumstances, the City Council extends the time limit for recording, with or without conditions. Such conditions may include, but are not limited to, provisions requiring that: (a) each extension will be for a one-year period only, after which time an annual review must be requested by the applicant and presented before the City Council; and/or (b) no more than three one-year extensions will be allowed. The granting or denying of any extension, with or without

conditions, is within the sole discretion of the City Council, and an applicant has no right to receive such an extension.

#### **POSSIBLE FINDINGS:**

- Lots 6, 7, and 8 will continue to conform to the requirements of the Rural Preservation Subdivision code and for lots in the RA-1-43 zone.
- State law requires a land use authority to approve a lot line adjustment if the exchange will not result in a violation of any land use ordinance, no violations have been identified
- State law states a plat amendment may be considered by the land use authority at a public meeting
- No public street, right-of-way, or easement will be vacated or altered

#### **ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS:**

- 1. <u>Approval (conditional)</u>. This action can be taken if the City Council feels there is good cause to approve the proposal.
  - a. Accept staff report
  - b. Reasons for approval (findings)
  - c. Place condition(s) if needed
- 2. <u>Continuance</u>. This action can be taken if the City Council feels that there are unresolved issues.
  - a. Accept staff report
  - b. List accepted findings
  - c. Reasons for continuance
    - i. Unresolved issues that must be addressed
  - d. Date when the item will be heard again
- 3. <u>Denial</u>. This action can be taken if the City Council feels that the request does not meet the intent of the ordinance.
  - a. Accept staff report
  - b. List accepted findings
  - c. Reasons for denial

#### **PROPOSED CONDITIONS:**

None













