Polk County Zoning Commission Monday, June 26, 2023 Staff Report



<u>Deergrass Corner</u> Major Preliminary Plat

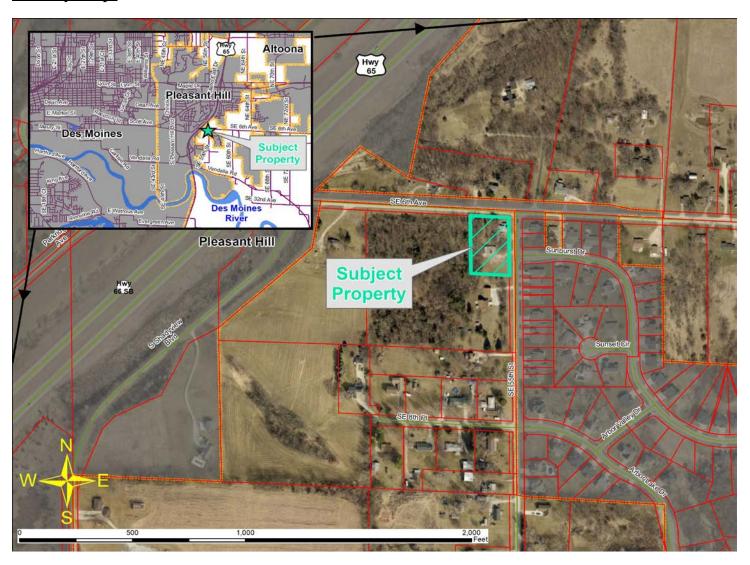
PLAT INFORMATION: This subdivision plat proposes three (3) single-family residential lots on approximately 0.93 acres (40,696 square feet) zoned "LDR" Low Density Residential District. Existing address of 5491 SE 6th Avenue, Pleasant Hill. Southwest corner of SE 6th Avenue and SE 55th Street.

SEWER: City of Pleasant Hill **WATER:** City of Pleasant Hill

TOWNSHIP: Fourmile **OWNER & DEVELOPER:** Roxanne & Dominic Formaro

(owners/developers)

Vicinity Map:



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General Overview / Background:

The subject property is located at the southwest corner of the intersection of SE 6th Avenue and SE 55th Street. The property has approximately 170 feet of frontage to the north onto SE 6th Avenue, and approximately 270 feet of frontage to the east onto SE 55th Street. The subject property is approximately 0.93 acres (40,696 square feet) in size and is zoned "LDR" Low Density Residential District. The property is presently addressed as 5491 SE 6th Avenue and contains an existing single-family residence and accessory structures, as well as two (2) existing driveway entrances onto SE 55th Street. Adjacent properties to the north, south and west are also located within unincorporated Polk County, are zoned Low Density Residential and contain existing single-family homes. The corporate limits of the City of Pleasant Hill are located adjacent to the east, being on the east side of SE 55th Street, including the development known as Arbor Lake. Adjacent properties within the City are zoned Planned Unit Development or PUD, and are developed with a mix of single-family homes as well as bi-attached homes and townhomes along SE 55th Street. The Arbor Lake development is partially served by the public roadway of Sunburst Drive, which connects to the east side of SE 55th Street at the southern end of the subject property. SE 55th Street terminates approximately one (1) mile south of the subject property, providing access to additional unincorporated single-family properties as well as an additional residential development within the City of Pleasant Hill known as Pleasant Ridge Estates.

Attachment A to this report contains a copy of the current version of the preliminary plat. The owners propose to subdivide the existing parcel into three (3) separate single-family lots. Lot 1 would be approximately 16,436 square feet in size, or just over one-third $(\frac{1}{3})$ of an acre, and would contain the existing single-family residence and accessory structures. Lots 2 and 3 would create a new development right each for a single-family dwelling, and are proposed at just over 12,000 square feet in size each, or just over one-quarter $(\frac{1}{4})$ of an acre. An existing accessory structure is presently located on proposed Lot 2. This structure is required to be removed or relocated to Lot 1 prior to final plat approval. Staff has also sent the preliminary plat to the City of Pleasant Hill for review and comment, but no response has been received to-date. The plat engineer has indicated the City will allow the proposed subdivision to occur and remain within unincorporated Polk County at this time, and will also allow the new lots to connect to available City water and sanitary sewer utilities. This will need to be provided in writing and the plat updated accordingly prior to approval of preliminary or final plats. The "LDR" Low Density Residential District allows a minimum lot size of 12,000 square feet if the property is served by public sanitary sewer. The Polk County Zoning Ordinance requires a minimum lot size of 15,000 square feet, regardless of the zoning district minimum lot size allowance, if a lot is served by a private wastewater treatment system.

The subject property is not located within a mapped floodplain, nor does it contain wetlands or other environmental hazards or features. The site does contain several mature trees, primarily located along the western property line and near the existing residence on proposed Lot 1. Water and sanitary sewer service are available through the City of Pleasant Hill. An existing twelve-inch (12") water main is adjacent to the property along SE 55th Street and SE 6th Avenue. City sewer is also available along both SE 55th Street and SE 6th Avenue. The existing residence on proposed Lot 1 is currently served by a private septic system. This system will need to be located, abandoned and the residence connected to City sewer prior to final plat approval.

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Staff Review:

Staff has reviewed this plat for compliance with the Polk County Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances. The plat is considered a major subdivision due to the fact that the proposed three (3) lots will constitute more than five (5) total divisions within the larger aliquot part. No waivers from the Subdivision Ordinance are required since the proposed lots meet all dimensional and sizing requirements for the Low Density Residential District as configured. However, the owner and consultant will need to provide written confirmation from the City of Pleasant Hill stating they will allow connection to public water and sanitary sewer service. Additionally, staff has interpreted that no waiver is required to the Subdivision Ordinance block length standard, which requires a public roadway extension to serve new lots for a major plat when there is no existing roadway(s) along the frontage for 1,320 feet or one-quarter (1/4) of a mile. The subject property is located on a corner with frontage onto two (2) existing public streets, and there are multiple existing public streets within a quarter mile of the subject property both along SE 6th Avenue and SE 55th Street. Furthermore, no remnant land would be left inaccessible or landlocked by this subdivision. The adjacent property to the south and west of the subject property located at 720 SE 55th Street has substantial frontage onto SE 6th Avenue and SE 55th Street to allow for future roadway extensions should it further develop in the future.

Staff will continue to work with the owners and project engineer in resolving remaining comments. The owners/developers are responsible for receiving written approval of the preliminary plat from Pleasant Hill, verifying that the City will consent to the plat and serve the lots with City water and sewer. The City will also have to approve of the final plat by Council Resolution prior to final approval and recording by the County. Once all comments have been addressed, the preliminary plat and Zoning Commission recommendation will be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for their approval. Following preliminary plat approval, the final plat and legal documents may be submitted for review and approval by staff and finally by the Board of Supervisors. The final plat will not come before the Zoning Commission. However, any substantial change to the current proposed configuration, including additional lots, change in utility provisions, etc. would require a new review and recommendation by the Zoning Commission.

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval of the preliminary plat of Deergrass Corner, subject to the following condition:

1. The property owners and their engineer shall provide written approval from the City of Pleasant Hill prior to preliminary plat approval, including confirmation that the proposed lots will be served by City water and sanitary sewer utilities, the process to extend services/connections to the lots, and any other conditions or stipulations required by the City for approval.

Attachment A

SITE AREA 0.93 ACRES (40696 SQ.FT.)

SITE USE RESIDENTIAL LOTS

PROPOSED: LDR ADJACENT ZONING EAST: PUD

SETBACKS

SETBACKS LISTED ARE FOR PRINCIPAL DWELLING
FRONT; 35'
SIDE: 10'
REAR: 35'

BUILDING HEIGHT MAX BUILDING HEIGHT: 35

BUILDING COVERAGE MAX BUILDING COVERAGE: 30%

 $\frac{\text{FLOODPLAIN}}{\text{PER FEMA MAP \#19153C0360F, THE SITE IS LOCATED IN ZONE X, AREA OF MINIMAL FLOOD HAZARD}$

- PLAT NOTES

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 ANY WORK WITHIN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY REQUIRES A PERMIT FROM POLK COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS

MAJOR PRELIMINARY PLAT

DEERGRASS CORNER 5491 SE 6TH AVENUE PLEASANT HILL, IOWA

VICINITY MAP



C-001 - COVER

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