Request for Sidewalk Waiver

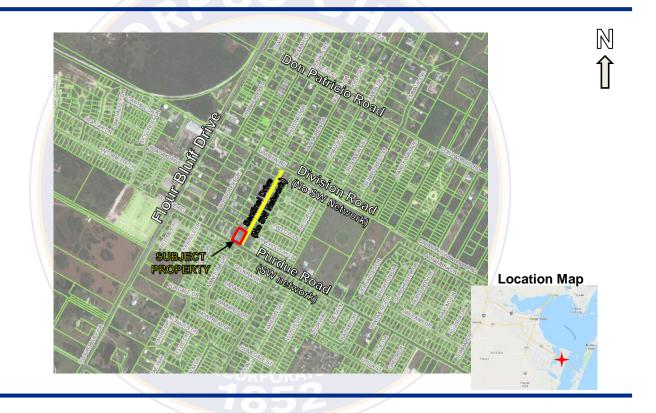
Bakers Acres, Block 2, Lots 4A & 4B (Replat)
Property at 1202 Purdue Road





Planning Commission March 31, 2021

Aerial Overview



Subject Property, West on Purdue Road and East on Sentinel Drive



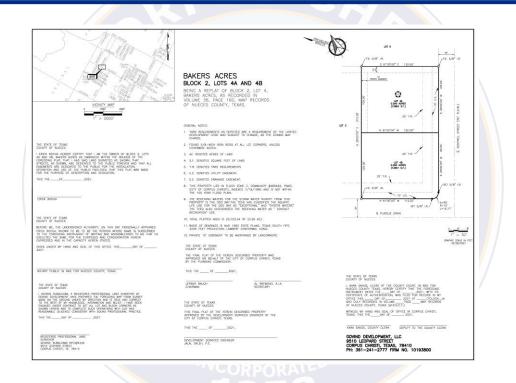
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Subject Property, North on Sentinel Drive



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Staff Recommendation

Approval of the request for a waiver from the sidewalk construction requirement.

- Planning Commission may choose to follow or decline Staff's recommendation
- Planning Commission may approve, approve with conditions, or deny the waiver request

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Applicant's Factors in Support of Sidewalk Waiver

- 1. The area is a residential area with no heavy pedestrian traffic since there are no shopping areas in proximity.
- There are currently no sidewalks the entire length of Sentinel Drive north of Purdue to Division Road and beyond. In addition, there are also no sidewalks in the immediate parallel streets such as Woodcrest Drive and Orange Drive.
- 3. The street has an open ditch drainage system and the sidewalk would fall in the location of the open ditch which would require installing an underground storm water system for the placement of the sidewalk and create a financial burden for the landowner, whereas the rest of the neighborhood would remain an open ditch system.
- 4. In addition, as per UDC Section 8.1.4.A, there are no construction plans involved with this plat for street improvements, the landowner is only making two lots out of one previously platted lot and will not be doing any street improvements which encompass a sidewalk.
- More importantly, per UDC Section 8.1.5 Continuity of Improvements, it states that all required improvements shall be designed and installed in order to provide for a system of utilities, storm water and streets and to create continuity of improvements among adjacent properties. There is no continuity in this case because there is no underground storm water system or sidewalks in the entire neighborhood along Sentinel Drive or other streets running parallel to Sentinel

Factors against Sidewalk Waiver (For sidewalk construction)

- 1. The property is zoned "RS-6 Single-Family 6 District from which a sidewalk network can be provided meeting current standards for a residential street.
- 2. The property is a corner lot with an existing sidewalk on Purdue Road for a connection point.
- 3. Purdue is a C1 Collector street as per the Urban Transportation Plan with a sidewalk network on both sides on the streets.

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Plat Requirements

- <u>UDC 3.30.1.A</u>: requires installation of improvements, or financial guarantee, during platting
- UDC 8.1.4: During platting, the "developer shall provide":
 - A. "Streets, including but not limited to pavement, curb and gutter, <u>sidewalks</u>...."
- <u>UDC 8.2.2.A.4</u>: "Sidewalks shall connect to existing adjacent sidewalks or be designed and placed to allow connection to future adjacent sidewalks"

Plat Waiver UDC 3.8.3.D

- Need for waiver shall be demonstrated to Planning Commission's satisfaction
- The waiver may be approved, approved with conditions or denied after consideration of the following factors:
 - 1. Not detrimental to public health, safety, or general welfare, or be injurious to other property in area, or to the City;
 - 2. The conditions that create the need for the waiver shall not generally apply to other property in the vicinity;
 - 3. Application of the provision will render subdivision of land unfeasible; or
 - 4. The granting of the waiver would not substantially conflict with the Comp Plan and the purposes of the UDC