Effective March 16, 2020, Texas Governor Abbott suspended certain Open Meeting rules to allow telephonic or videoconference meetings of government bodies that are accessible to the public to decrease large groups of people from assembling. The suspension temporarily removes the requirement that government officials and members of the public be physically present at a meeting location. The Town of Flower Mound Planning and Zoning Commission meetings will be temporarily held via video conference and will not be held at the Flower Mound Town Hall. A recording of the meeting will be available the following day at https://www.flower-mound.com/fmtv under “Planning and Zoning Archive” tab.

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER 6:30 P.M.

B. INVOCATION

C. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

The purpose of this item is to allow the public an opportunity to address the Planning and Zoning Commission on issues that are not indicated as a “Public Hearing” on this agenda. Issues regarding daily operational or administrative matters should first be dealt with by calling Town Hall at 972-874-6000 during business hours.

CLICK HERE to submit general comments regarding issues or agenda items not indicated as a public hearing.

D. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The purpose of this item is to allow the Chairman and members of the Commission an opportunity to bring forward items they wish to discuss at a future meeting, with the understanding a consensus of the Commission is needed in order for that item to be placed on a future agenda and in accordance with the Town Council Agenda Setting Policy (Ord. 65-15).

E. DIRECTOR’S REPORT

1. Planning & Zoning Commission Priorities
2. New Development Map Functionality
F. **REGULAR ITEMS**

1. *Minutes of April 27, 2020*
   Consider approval of the minutes of the April 27, 2020, Planning and Zoning Commission Regular Session.

2. **RC20-0001 – Crosby Addition, Lots 1 & 2, Block 1**
   Consider a request for a Record Plat (RC20-0001 – Crosby Addition) to create two non-residential lots. The property is generally located south of Spinks Road and east of Long Prairie Road.

3. **SP20-0001 – Caddo Office Building**
   Consider a request for a Site Plan (SP20-0001 – Caddo Office Building) to develop an office building. The property is generally located south of Spinks Road and east of Long Prairie Road.

4. **LDR19-0010 – Platting Updates**
   **Public Hearing**
   CLICK HERE to submit comments regarding this public hearing item.
   Public Hearing to consider an ordinance amending the Land Development Regulations (LDR19-0010 – Platting Updates) by amending Chapter 74 entitled "General Provisions," Chapter 78 entitled "Administration," and Chapter 90 entitled “Subdivisions” of the Town's Code of Ordinances to create a process for assessing project completeness and associated vested rights, as well as project expiration dates, and to clarify review and approval processes for development plans and plats, in compliance with new state regulations.

G. **ADJOURNMENT – REGULAR SESSION**

I do hereby certify that the Notice of Meeting was posted on the Town of Flower Mound website (www.flower-mound.com) on the following date and time: May 7, 2020, at 4:30 p.m., at least 72 hours prior to the scheduled time of said meeting.

___________________________________
LauriAnn Cash, Executive Assistant

Pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, the Planning and Zoning Commission reserves the right to consult in closed session with its attorney and to receive legal advice regarding any item listed on this agenda.
DATE: May 11, 2020

FROM: LauriAnn Cash, Development Services Executive Assistant

ITEM: Consider approval of the minutes of the April 27, 2020, Planning and Zoning Commission Regular Session.

I. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Planning and Zoning Commission held a regular meeting on April 27, 2020.

II. ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft Minutes
THE FLOWER MOUND PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION MEETING HELD ON THE 27TH DAY OF APRIL 2020, VIA VIRTUAL MEETING (VIDEO CONFERENCE), DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, IN THE TOWN OF FLOWER MOUND, COUNTY OF DENTON, TEXAS, AT 6:30PM

The Planning & Zoning Commission met in a regular session via video conference with the following members present:

- David Johnson, Chair
- Brad Ruthrauff, Vice-Chair
- Adam Schiestel, Commissioner, Place 2
- Robert Rawson, Commissioner, Place 3
- Philip Del Vecchio, Commissioner, Place 5
- Laura Dillon, Commissioner, Place 6
- Thomas Pickering, Commissioner, Place 7
- Robert Cox, Commissioner, Place 8
- Timothy Fink, Commissioner, Place 9

Constituting a quorum with the following members absent:

None

(Places 8 and 9 of the Commission do not vote on items unless they sit in place of one of the regular members, Places 1-7.)

And the following members of Town staff present on the video conference:

- Lexin Murphy, Director of Planning Services
- Ashley Dierker, Town Attorney
- Robert Pegg, Assistant Director of Engineering
- Poornima Kashyap, Principal Planner
- LauriAnn Cash, Executive Assistant

A. **CALL REGULAR SESSION TO ORDER (Council Chambers): 6:30 P.M.**

B. **INVOCATION**

C. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Quentin Witherspoon, 1608 Stone Creek Drive; regarding Regular Item #2

D. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None

E. **DIRECTOR’S REPORT**

1. Upcoming Items

F. **REGULAR ITEMS**
1. Consider approval of the minutes of the April 13, 2020, Planning and Zoning Commission Regular Session.

Commission Deliberation

Vice-Chair Ruthrauff moved to approve the minutes of April 13, 2020. Commissioner Dillon seconded the motion.

VOTE ON THE MOTION
AYES: Schiestel, Rawson, Del Vecchio, Ruthrauff, Dillon, Pickering
NAYS: None

The motion to approve passed with a vote of 6 to 0.

2. Consider a request for a Site Plan (SP19-0025 – Marvel Car Wash) to develop a car wash facility. The property is generally located south of Justin Road and west of Stone Hill Farms Parkway.

Staff Presentation

Poornima Kashyap, Principal Planner

Applicant (present to answer questions)

Kent Martin of Kent Martin Construction LLC, Longview, Texas
Oscar Galan of Classic Design, Grand Prairie, Texas
David Recht of DHR Engineering, Inc., Irving, Texas

Commission Deliberation

Vice-Chair Ruthrauff moved to approve SP19-0025 – Marvel Car Wash as presented. Commissioner Schiestel seconded the motion.

VOTE ON THE MOTION
AYES: Dillon, Ruthrauff, Del Vecchio, Rawson, Schiestel
NAYS: Pickering

The motion to approve passed with a vote of 5 to 1.

G. ADJOURNMENT – REGULAR SESSION 7:29 P.M.

TOWN OF FLOWER MOUND, TEXAS

ATTEST:

Lexin Murphy, Director of Planning Services

LauriAnn Cash, Executive Assistant
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

AGENDA ITEM NO: 2

REGULAR ITEM

DATE: May 11, 2020
FROM: Chuck Russell, Principal Planner
ITEM: Consider a request for a Record Plat (RC20-0001 – Crosby Addition) to create two non-residential lots. The property is generally located south of Spinks Road and east of Long Prairie Road.

I. ITEM SUMMARY

This application has been reviewed by DRC and has been scheduled for consideration by the Planning and Zoning Commission.

The project has a companion application, Site Plan (SP20-0001), for consideration on the same agenda.

This application will require final action by the Planning and Zoning Commission.

II. APPLICATION ANALYSIS

The purpose of this record plat is to create a buildable lot for the Caddo Office Building project as well as to plat the remainder of the site under common ownership.

- Lot 1, Block A contains approximately 2.64 acres and will be developed with a 40,685 square-foot office building (See companion site plan application)
- Lot 2, Block A contains approximately 17.68 acres and is not planned to be developed at this time.

The property is located within Planned Development District No. 38 (PD-38) for Commercial District-2 (C-2) uses. Access to Lot 1, Block A will be from Spinks Road. Access to Lot 2, Block A will be from Long Prairie Road and Spinks Road. The plat depicts necessary setbacks and easements.

III. ATTACHMENTS

A. Background Information
   1. Vicinity Map
   2. Letter of Intent

B. Application Details
   1. Record Plat Package
Town of Flower Mound  
2121 Cross Timbers Road  
Flower Mound, TX 75028  
972-874-6349

RE: Letter of Intent for Record Plat Submittal for Caddo Development Project at SEC of Long Prairie Road (F.M. 2499) and Spinks Road. Flower Mound, Texas.

To whom it may concern:

- The tract is currently zoned as Planned Development No. 38 (PD-38) with Commercial District-2 (C-2) uses. Per our Zoning Verification Letter from the Town of Flower Mound, our use of “Office, General Business and Professional” is listed as a permitted use.
- This development project by Caddo Development, LLC will be built on a new 2.638 acre lot of the existing 17.682 acre tract of the land owned by WCFLP RE 2499, LP at the SEC corner of Long Prairie Road and Spinks Road in the Town of Flower Mound.
- This new plat will be 2 lots, #1 @ 2.638 acres, #2 @ 14.99 acres.
- A conceptual site plan has been submitted concurrently with our Site Plan Application. As of the time of this submittal, it has not yet been approved.
- All development of this project will be done in one phase.
- No special considerations or variances will be needed for this project.

If you should have any questions, please contact me at 214-701-7100 or by email at dbarret@caddoholdings.com.

Sincerely,

David Barret  
Caddo Development, LLC  
1341 W. Mockingbird Ln, #580W  
Dallas, TX 75247
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
AGENDA ITEM NO: 3
REGULAR ITEM

DATE: May 11, 2020
FROM: Chuck Russell, Principal Planner
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I. ITEM SUMMARY

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II. APPLICATION ANALYSIS

The purpose of this request is to obtain site plan approval to develop a two-story, 40,685 square-foot office building. The subject site is approximately 2.64 acres and currently vacant. The property is located within Planned Development District No. 38 (PD-38) for Commercial District-2 (C-2) uses, and an office use is permitted by right.

Primary access to the site is from Spinks Road, with cross-access being provided for the remainder of the property at the time it develops. The companion Record Plat application provides drainage, utility, and mutual access easements. The parking requirement for the proposed building is 136 spaces calculated at the ratio of one space for every 300 square feet of the facility. The site plan depicts 148 spaces, which is within the Town’s allowable 20 percent deviation.

The landscape plan depicts required landscape buffer trees, street yard trees, parking lot trees and compatibility buffer trees. Proposed landscaping is in compliance with both PD-38 and the Town’s landscape regulations.

The proposed conceptual elevations are in compliance with the Urban Design Plan except that secondary masonry (Nichiha Panels) will exceed 20% of the total square footage on the north and west elevations. Nichiha is a fiber cement product produced from cement, sand and cellulose fibers. There will be 3 different types of panels on the proposed building. Industrial block is similar in look to cast-in-place concrete, Miraia is a higher gloss similar to metal panels, and the Vintage Wood is a wood look. The
applicant will discuss the merits of Nichiha materials at the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting.

The existing zoning for the subject property (PD-38) was approved by Town Council in February of 1986. As is similar to other PD’s approved during this time, the ordinance requires submittal of an overall site plan for a Tract being developed in part or in whole. Since the proposed use is a part of a larger tract, an overall site plan was submitted by the applicant depicting a potential build-out of the entire tract (Attachment A(3)). This is a non-regulatory plan and the actual development of the remainder of the parent tract will be determined at site plan or when/if the parent tract is rezoned.

III. ATTACHMENTS

A. Background Information
   1. Vicinity Map
   2. Letter of Intent
   3. Non-regulatory Comprehensive Site Plan

B. Application Details
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If you should have any questions, please contact me at 214-701-7100 or by email at dbarret@caddoholdings.com.

Sincerely,

David Barret
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1341 W. Mockingbird Ln, #580W
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6. INSTALL CURLEX BLANKET (OR EQUAL) PER MANUFACTURES SPECIFICATIONS.
7. INSTALL EDGING BETWEEN LAWN AND PLANTING BEDS. REFER TO SHEET. (BERMS MAY NOT BE SHOWN ON GRADING PLAN.)
8. PREP ENTIRE WIDTH OF ALL DEFINED PLANTING BEDS WITH MIX AS OUTLINED IN SPECs. WHERE SHOULDER ARE LOCATED ALONG CURB, SET SHOULDER BACK FROM CURB 3 FT.
9. SEE DETAIL SHEET L-8 FOR PLANTING DETAILS.
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Town of Flower Mound, Texas

PLANTING DETAILS

Attachment B(1): Site Plan Package
TREE Mitigation Calculations
As Required For On-Site Trees Per Designated Status

UNPROTECTED TREES
TOTAL TREES: 85
REMOVED: 85
PRESERVED: 0

Protected TREES
INITIAL MITIGATION (Not Applicable)

TOTAL TREES: 0
REMOVED: 0
PRESERVED: 0

FLOODPLAIN MITIGATION
0" (1.5 CALIPER REMOVED)

SPECIMEN TREES
TOTAL TREES: 0
REMOVED: 0
PRESERVED: 0

INITIAL MITIGATION (2 CALIPER REMOVED)

Initial Mitigation Totals:

Opp. protected trees: 0" (3") = 0"
Specimen trees: 0" (2") = 0"
Mitigation Credit Totals:
Protected trees preserved within buildable area:
Specimen trees preserved within buildable area:
Mitigation credit totals:
Final Mitigation Totals:
Initial Mitigation Total: 0"
Mitigation Credit Total: 0"
0" required mitigation

Legend:
 existing unprotected tree to be removed by permit

Note:
no protected trees on the site

Landscaping/Arborist Statement:
"I, Gregory Cuppett, ASLA, Texas Landscape Architect, being a landscape architect or arborist attest that there are no protected or specimen trees in the proposed development site, based upon a recent site visit.

Attachment B(1): Site Plan Package

Attachment B(2): Site Plan Package

CUPPETT, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT
P.O. BOX 151418, ARLINGTON, TX 76015
817-604-2828

Texas Board of Architects
Registration Number 2672 on 04/23/20, who maintains the original file. This electronic drawing file is released under the authority of Greg Cuppett, Landscape Architect.
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
AGENDA ITEM NO: 4
REGULAR ITEM

DATE: May 11, 2020
FROM: Lexin Murphy, Director of Planning Services
ITEM: Public Hearing to consider an ordinance amending the Land Development Regulations (LDR19-0010 – Platting Updates) by amending Chapter 74 entitled “General Provisions,” Chapter 78 entitled “Administration,” and Chapter 90 entitled “Subdivisions” of the Town’s Code of Ordinances to create a process for assessing project completeness and associated vested rights, as well as project expiration dates, and to clarify review and approval processes for development plans and plats, in compliance with new state regulations.

I. ITEM SUMMARY

This Town-initiated item proposes to amend the Town’s Land Development Regulations by introducing new sections that address vesting and project completeness and expiration, which will create a clearer process to consider and make determinations on vesting claims and expire those claims as applicable. It is also updating the Subdivision Chapter of our regulations to incorporate changes the legislature implemented to Chapter 212 of the Local Government Code during last year’s session, as well as providing general cleanup of out-of-date language in these sections.

This item will require final action by the Town Council, which is scheduled for June 1, 2020.

II. APPLICATION ANALYSIS

The Town has had a couple of situations come up recently where an applicant claimed their project was vested, and that because of this, they did not have to follow current Town ordinances. While the Local Government Code does provide for some vested rights in both permits and projects for applicants, it is not all-encompassing. However, because the Town has never adopted official practices establishing the limits of vested rights and creating a process for an applicant to request vesting and for the Town to make a determination on it, we have not been able to take full advantage of our municipal rights in this area. The new sections proposed for Chapter 78 will remedy that situation. These new guidelines also outline the process for staff to determine if an application is complete and establishes that if the project is incomplete, no associated vested rights are created.

In addition, while the Town’s previous ordinance language made it clear that plats had to be considered administratively complete before they were put on a Planning and Zoning Commission or Council agenda, it was not clear that was the Town’s definition of “filed”
as it relates to the guidelines of Chapter 212 for the review of plats and plans. This language has been clarified throughout the ordinance. The other changes that were necessary to meet new state requirements are the inclusion of standards for conditional approval or disapproval of plats or development plans and applicants’ options for response, as well as the new process of notifying surrounding property owners after residential replats are approved.

Other proposed updates throughout the text include removal of outdated position titles and practices, the removal of an exception that allowed industrial lots to skirt some platting requirements and the incorporation of an exception for lots that are more than two and a half times long as they are wide.

III. CORRESPONDENCE

The Town Code requires public notice in a newspaper of general circulation (Denton Record Chronicle). At the time this report was written, the Town had received one inquiry about this item.

IV. ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft Redline Ordinance
Sec. 74-3. – Definitions.

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Land use plan means the land use plan element of the town's comprehensive master plan, as may be amended, including the future land use map and specific-plan-areas plans.

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Town manager means the chief administrative officer of the town, or designated representative.

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Sec. 74-5. - Consistency with comprehensive master plan.

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(c) Subdivisions and site plans for property in the specific plan areas of the comprehensive master plan shall be consistent with the land use and planning guidelines set forth for these areas in the comprehensive master plan.

ARTICLE VI. - VESTED RIGHTS.

Division 1. - Petition Submittal and Review Procedures.

Sec. 78-261 - DEFINITIONS.

(1) In this article, "permit," "project," and "regulatory agency" have the meanings assigned to them by Chapter 245 of the Texas Local Government Code.

(2) “Petition” means a vested rights petition that alleges rights under Chapter 245 of the Texas Local Government Code to develop property under ordinances, regulations, or rules other than those in effect on the date the permit application is submitted.

(3) “Town Manager” means the Town Manager or his designee.

(4) “Vesting Date” means the date on which a project accrued development rights under Chapter 245 of the Texas Local Government Code.

(5) “Vested Rights” means a right conferred by state law to develop property under ordinances, regulations, or rules other than those in effect on the date a permit application is submitted. The term includes development rights under Chapter 245, but does not include a right existing under common law.

Sec 78-262 - PURPOSE AND APPLICABILITY.

(A) This article establishes requirements for determining whether a project is entitled to vested rights under Chapter 245 of the Local Government Code. To the extent a project is entitled to vested rights, as determined under this article, a permit necessary to initiate, continue, or complete the project may be exempt from current regulations.

(B) The purpose of this article is to:

(1) Establish a clear and consistent process for evaluating vested rights claims;

(2) Ensure that vested rights determinations are based on accurate and complete information, including the nature and scope of the original project for which vested rights are asserted and actual development, if any, that has occurred over time; and

(3) Recognize legitimate claims of vested rights under state law, while ensuring that new development complies to the greatest extent possible with current regulations.
Sec 78-263 - VESTED RIGHTS PETITION REQUIRED.

A petition for vested rights that meets the requirements of Section 78-264 must be submitted by a landowner or a landowner's agent in order to request that an application for a permit be reviewed under ordinances, regulations, or rules other than those in effect on the date the application is filed.

Sec. 78-264 - CONTENTS OF VESTED RIGHTS PETITION.

(A) Except as provided in Subsection (B) of this section, a petition for vested rights required by Section 78-263 must be submitted on a form approved by the Town Manager and must include, at a minimum, the following information:

(1) a reference to one of the following applications, which must be submitted concurrently with the vested rights petition:

   (a) a permit application for development of the property; or

   (b) a plan for development, on a form provided by the Town Manager, that establishes the nature of the permit sought, including the scope and intensity of proposed development and the type of land use, but need not include construction-level detail;

(2) a summary of the basis on which the applicant claims vested rights;

(3) the date on which the applicant claims that vested rights accrued and any permit that was submitted on that date; and

(4) a complete chronological history of the project for which vested rights are claimed, including:

   (a) a list of permits for development of the property, along with supporting documents, that were issued or applied for after the date the applicant claims that vested rights accrued;

   (b) a description of any permitted or unpermitted development that occurred on the property after the date the applicant claims that vested rights accrued;

   (c) a description of existing development on the property, regardless of whether the development is permitted or unpermitted;

   (d) a list of all zoning changes affecting the property, if any;

   (e) any covenants, conditions, or restrictions recorded in the deed records for the property; and

   (f) if deemed relevant by the Town Manager, evidence regarding progress towards completion of the project under Section 78-282.

(B) The Town Manager may allow an applicant to omit information required under this section if, in the sole judgment of the Town Manager, an application is associated with a project for which vested rights have been conclusively established by a court order or by a settlement agreement entered into with the Town.

Division 2. - Vested Rights Determinations.

Sec. 78-271 - CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL.
The Town Manager shall review a petition for vested rights under the criteria described in this subsection.  

(1) General Standard. A permit application is entitled to development rights under Chapter 245 of the Local Government Code if the permit is required to initiate, continue, or complete a project for which a prior application was submitted to the Town. An application is not entitled to development rights if it is unrelated to or inconsistent with the original project or if the original project has been completed, changed, or expired.  

(2) Review Criteria. In determining whether a petition meets the standard for approval under this subsection, the Town Manager shall consider the following factors:  

(a) The nature and extent of proposed development shown on the prior permit or other application that initiated the project for which vested rights are claimed;  
(b) Whether the permit application submitted in connection with the vested rights petition is related to and consistent with the original project;  
(c) The nature and extent of prior development of the property, including any permitting or construction activity that occurred subsequent to the vesting date requested by the applicant;  
(d) Any prior vested rights determinations made for development of the property;  
and  
(e) Whether the project has expired in accordance with Division 3 (Expiration) of this article or other applicable regulations.  

(B) The criteria in this section are intended to assist the Town Manager in reviewing petitions for vested rights, but do not limit the Town Manager from considering other factors relevant to the determination of rights for a particular project.  

Sec. 78-272 - VESTED RIGHTS DETERMINATION.  

(A) Not later than 10 business days after acceptance of a complete vested rights petition, the Town Manager shall review the petition under Section 78-272 and render a determination consistent with the requirements of this section.  

(B) In acting on a petition, the Town Manager may:  

(1) approve the petition and require the development applications necessary to initiate, continue, or complete the project to be reviewed in accordance with regulations in effect on the vesting date, except for those regulations exempt from vesting under state law;  
(2) deny the petition and require the development application associated with the project to be reviewed under current regulations of this title; or  
(3) approve the petition in part, as authorized by Subsection (C) of this section.  

(C) The Town Manager may approve a petition in part if a project is legally entitled to some, but not all, of the rights asserted in the petition, or if a change in the scale or intensity of development is necessary to maintain conformity with the original project. A vested rights determination may not waive or modify applicable regulations or provide relief not required by Chapter 245 of the Texas Local Government Code.  

(D) The Town Manager shall provide a written determination to the applicant, which must state:  

(1) Whether the petition is approved or denied, in whole or in part, and the basis for the decision;
Findings of fact in support of the decision and information sufficient to identify the permit on which the petition is based; and

If the petition is approved:

(a) a description of the project for which vested rights are recognized; and

(b) a vesting date.

A vested rights determination under this section does not affect the availability of a variance or other administrative remedy authorized by this title, but requesting a variance is not required to exhaust administrative remedies for purposes of challenging a determination by the Town Manager that a project is not entitled to vested rights.

Sec. 78-273 - EFFECT OF VESTED RIGHTS DETERMINATION.

If the Town Manager approves a vested rights petition, any permit required to initiate, continue, or complete the project shall be entitled to the development or continuing use rights recognized by the vested rights determination, unless the project expires under Division 3 (Expirations) of this article or other applicable regulations.

Division 3. - Expirations.

Sec. 78-281 - EXPIRATION REQUIREMENTS GENERALLY.

(A) During the timeframes established under this division, a vested rights determination for a project approved under Section 78-272 applies to any permit application required to initiate, continue, or complete the project.

(B) If all permits for a project expire, the project expires.

(C) A permit application submitted after a project expires constitutes a new project and is subject to the current regulations of this Code.

(D) The expiration of a project associated with a final plat does not affect the validity of a platted lot under this Subpart B.

Sec. 78-282 - DORMANT PROJECTS.

(A) This section is adopted under Section 245.005 of the Local Government Code to provide expiration dates for permits.

(B) A permit issued prior to the effective date of this ordinance shall expire two years after [effective date of this ordinance] unless the applicant submits evidence sufficient to show that progress towards completion of the project was made prior to that date under Subsection (F) of this section.

(C) A project initiated prior to the effective date of this ordinance shall expire five years after [effective date of this ordinance] unless the applicant submits evidence sufficient to show that progress towards completion of the project was made prior to that date under Subsection (F) of this section.

(D) A permit issued after the effective date of this ordinance shall expire two years after the date the permit application was filed unless the applicant submits evidence sufficient to show that progress towards completion of the project was made prior to that date under Subsection (F) of this section.
(E) A project initiated after the effective date of this ordinance shall expire five years after the first permit application was filed for the project unless the applicant submits evidence sufficient to show that progress towards completion of the project was made prior to that date under Subsection (F) of this section.

(F) For purposes of this section, progress towards completion of a project includes any one of the following:

(1) an application for a final plat or plan is submitted to a regulatory agency;
(2) a good-faith attempt is made to file with a regulatory agency an application for a permit necessary to begin or continue towards completion of the project;
(3) costs have been incurred for developing the project including, without limitation, costs associated with roadway, utility, and other infrastructure facilities designed to serve, in whole or in part, the project (but exclusive of land acquisition) in the aggregate amount of five percent of the most recent appraised market value of the real property on which the project is located;
(4) fiscal security is posted with a regulatory agency to ensure performance of an obligation required by the regulatory agency; or
(5) utility connection fees or impact fees for the project have been paid to a regulatory agency.

Sec. 90-4 Requirements for Completeness Determination

(A) Every application for approval of any type of plat or plan for development shall be subject to a determination of completeness by the Town Manager.

(B) No application shall be deemed complete and accepted for processing unless it is accompanied by all documents required by and prepared in accordance with the requirements of this Chapter or other applicable ordinances.

(C) The Town Manager may from time to time impose additional requirements for a complete application that are not contained within but are consistent with the application contents and standards set forth in this Chapter.

(D) A determination of completeness shall not constitute a determination of compliance with the substantive requirements of this Chapter.

Sec. 90-5 Process for Completeness Determination

(A) Not later than the tenth (10th) business day after the date an application for approval of a plat or plan for development is submitted, the Town Manager shall make a determination whether the application constitutes a complete application and that the developer has submitted the following required information:

(1) for an application for a development plan, the documents and information specified in Section 90-33;
(2) for a record plat application, the documents and information specified in Section 90-93; and
(3) for an application of any other type, the documents and information specified in applicable ordinances.

(B) The Town Manager shall provide written notice to the applicant that the application is incomplete, not later than the 10th business day after the application is submitted. The
determination shall specify the documents or other information needed to complete the application and shall state that the application will expire if the documents or other information is not submitted within forty-five (45) days after the date the application was submitted.

(C) The processing of an application by any City employee prior to the time the application is determined to be complete shall not be binding on the City as the date of filing. The filing date shall be determined as set forth in Section 90-7. The incompleteness of an application shall be grounds for denial of the application regardless of whether a determination of incompleteness was mailed to the applicant.

Sec. 90-6 Expiration of Incomplete Application

(A) An application for approval of a plat or plan for development shall be deemed to expire on the forty-fifth (45th) day after the application is submitted to the Town for processing if the applicant fails to provide documents or other information necessary to meet the requirements of this Chapter or such other applicable ordinances as specified in the determination provided to the applicant. Thereafter, a new application must be submitted.

(B) No vested rights accrue solely from the filing of an application that has expired pursuant to this section.

Sec. 90-7 Application Review

(A) An applicant for development shall submit a written application for approval of a plat or plan for development to the Development Services Department on forms prepared by the Town, together with all required documents, such as studies, drawing, exhibits, or other ordinance requirements, in sufficient size and number as required by the Town’s current submittal policies, and any reasonable information requested by the Development Services Department to assist the Town in its review of the application.

(B) An application shall not be processed for review until after a determination of completeness has been issued. An application lacking required documentation or information shall be returned to the applicant by the Development Services Department as provided in Section 90-5.

(C) After the Town Manager has determined that the application is complete, they shall compile a report of written comments regarding the compliance of the application with Town ordinances and provide a copy of the report to the applicant.

(D) The development plan or plat shall be deemed filed with the Town on the date that the Town Manager determines that the application and all supporting documents meet the requirements of this Chapter and/or other applicable ordinances, where applicable, except for any variances requested in writing by the applicant. This shall constitute the filing date. Thereafter, the plat shall be scheduled for review by the Commission.

Sec. 90-8 Official Filing Date

The time period established by state law for processing or deciding a plat application shall commence on the filing date, as established by Section 90-7(D).

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of a record plat for a nonresidential subdivision that is either being record platted in conformity to a concept plan previously approved by the town council, or, is in general conformity with the Town’s Master Plan and associated development regulations. The development plan is intended to show all the planning factors necessary to enable the proper town approving authorities to determine whether the proposed plan for land development is satisfactory from the standpoint of public health, safety and welfare and is in accordance with the general guidance provided by the comprehensive master plan. The development plan and its review are intended to produce a subdivision design in which all planning factors have been recognized and reconciled, as distinguished from the record plat, in which the engineering factor of dimensional precision is the predominant objective. The record plat is the legal document filed of record with the county.

--- Sec. 90-32. - Preapplication conference.

Prior to the filing of a development plan, the subdivider shall meet with the town manager or his designated agent to acquaint himself with the requirements of the town and the relationship of the proposed subdivision to the comprehensive master plan. At such meeting, the density standards, street requirements, utility service and general character of the development may be discussed. At the preapplication conference, the subdivider may be represented by a land planner, engineer, surveyor or legal counsel.

--- Sec. 90-332. - Submittal requirements.

The subdivider or owner shall file all necessary documents the appropriate number of copies of the development plan, as outlined in the development plan application packet. Each drawing shall measure 24 inches by 36 inches and shall be drawn to a scale of no less than 100 feet to one inch, unless otherwise approved by the town manager. When necessary, the development plan may be on several sheets accompanied by an index sheet showing the entire subdivision. Such development plan shall be accompanied by a completed application and shall contain the following information:

... (6) Proposed blocks, lots and zoning building setback lines. The subdivision shall show all proposed blocks, lots, front yard zoning building setback lines, and rear or side yard zoning building setback lines adjacent to rights-of-way, with principal dimensions.

... (13) Preliminary drainage plans. A preliminary drainage plan shall accompany the development plan. This study shall show contours, acreages, runoff, existing/proposed storm drain lines, pipe sizes, direction of flow, inlet locations, headwalls, points of discharge, detention/retention features, channels, creekways, 100-year floodplain limits, fully developed 100-year floodplain limits, and connections to any existing systems. The engineer shall also analyze any off-site acreage that contributes to the subdivision, as well as any off-site storm drain extensions, grade to drain locations or required easements.

... (20) Tree survey. A tree survey subject to the requirements and conditions enumerated in division 2, article III of chapter 94, tree permits.

... (22) Comprehensive master plan features. All applicable features of the comprehensive master plan relative to the proposed subdivision, including land use plan, urban design plan, park...
and open space plan, water master plan, wastewater master plan, and drainage/stormwater master plan, and specific area plans, if applicable.

Secs. 90-334 – 90-50. – Reserved.

DIVISION 2. - REVIEW PROCEDURES

Sec. 90-51. - Scheduling and consideration.

The appropriate fees and number of copies of the development plan required documentation, as described in section 90-323, shall be submitted to the town manager. The development plan shall be considered administratively complete after it is examined and determined to be in compliance with the general and administrative provisions of this article by the town manager and the director of public works or their designee. The development plan shall be scheduled for consideration within the time period prescribed by law, on the first available planning and zoning commission agenda, as determined by the date of acceptance for review and the calendar schedule as maintained by the town manager.

Sec. 90-52. - Distribution of notation on development plans.

The following notice shall be stamped included on the face of each the development plan: "Development plan - for inspection purposes only; not an official document approved for record purposes." The town manager shall distribute the development plans immediately upon receipt to the development review committee.

Sec. 90-54. - Comments; written staff report.

Based on the development review committee's review, a written staff report and analysis shall be prepared and submitted to the planning and zoning commission relative to the proposed subdivision's compliance to the regulations of this article, the comprehensive master plan and other master plans such as utility plans.

Sec. 90-55. - Review by planning and zoning commission.

(a) Items for consideration. The planning and zoning commission shall, in its action on the development plan, consider the physical arrangement of the subdivision, including the alignment and configuration of street and thoroughfare rights-of-way and determine compliance with the land use plan, thoroughfare plan, and any other applicable provisions of the comprehensive master plan, taking into consideration the recommendations of town staff. The planning and zoning commission shall also review and recommend that appropriate easements for proposed or future utility service and surface drainage are provided, and that the lot size and area comply with the minimum requirements for the type of sanitary sewage disposal proposed. Where connection to an approved sanitary sewage collection and treatment system is not proposed, all lots and building sites shall contain a minimum area of two acres, unless otherwise approved based upon Texas Administrative Code 285.4 or as allowed through cluster or conservation development standards, studies of the particular soil conditions and evaluation of the topographic and geologic character of the area being subdivided.

(b) Action. Following review of the development plan and other materials submitted for conformity to the regulations of this article, including changes deemed advisable and the kind and extent of improvements to be made by the subdivider, the planning and zoning commission shall act thereon as submitted or modified, and, if approved, the planning and zoning commission shall express its approval as conditional approval and state the conditions of such approval, if
any, or if disapproved, shall express its disapproval and its reasons therefor. The planning and zoning commission shall act on the development plan within 30 days after the date that it is filed or such longer period as permitted by law. For purposes of this Article, the date that the development plan is filed shall be determined in accordance with Section 90-7 hereof.

(c) Notation of action. The action of the planning and zoning commission shall be noted on two copies of the development plan, referenced and attached to any conditions relative thereto. One copy shall be returned to the subdivider and the other retained by the town manager. A notation of the action taken and requisite reasons therefor shall be entered in the records of the planning and zoning commission.

Sec. 90-56. - Review by town council.

(a) Submittal. The town manager shall, within 30 days following recommendation by the planning and zoning commission, submit the development plan, with the conditions established by the planning and zoning commission, to the town council for their consideration.

(b) Action. The town council shall approve or disapprove the development plan, with or without special provisions, within 30 days following recommendation by the planning and zoning commission, or such longer period as permitted by law.

(c) Conditional Approval or Disapproval. Development plans that are conditionally approved or disapproved by the town council shall be returned to the subdivider with a written statement that clearly articulates each specific condition for the conditional approval or reason for the disapproval. Each condition or reason specified may not be arbitrary, must be directly related to the requirements under Subchapter A. Regulation of Subdivisions of Chapter 212 of the Texas Local Government Code, and must include a citation to the law, including a statute or municipal ordinance, that is the basis for the conditional approval or disapproval.

(d) Applicant Response to Conditional Approval or Disapproval. After the conditional approval or disapproval of a development plan, the subdivider may submit a written response that satisfies each condition for the conditional approval or remedies each reason for the disapproval. The Town Manager shall review any submitted revisions that were required under subsection (d) and schedule the development plan for review by the appropriate governing body, which shall determine whether to approve or disapprove the subdivider’s previously conditionally approved or disapproved development plan, pursuant to the guidelines set forth in subsection (d). If the revised development plan is still not in compliance with Town standards or requirements, a disapproval of the submittal must be issued no later than the fifteenth (15th) day after the date the response was submitted.

Sec. 90-57. - Effect of development plan approval.

(b) Lapse of approval. Approval of the development plan shall be valid for a period of 18 months from the date of approval, and the general terms and conditions under which the development plan approval was granted will not be changed. The town council shall withdraw its approval of a development plan unless the record plat is filed approved by the appropriate governing body within such 18-month period or unless the 18-month period is extended by the town council at the request of the subdivider.

Sec. 90-58. - Preliminary grading release; bonding.
Upon approval of construction plans, but prior to approval of the record plat, right-of-way and lot grading may commence; provided, however, that such grading does not authorize any utility-related construction. Any such right-of-way and/or lot grading conducted prior to the approval of the record plat shall be entirely at the sole option and risk of the owner/developer. Such optional right-of-way or lot grading shall be subject to the following:

1. Submission of an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) stormwater pollution prevention plan (SWPPP);

2. Submission of a copy of the application to the EPA-TCEQ of a notice of intent ( NOI) to begin lot grading;

3. Submission of grading plans to be approved by the director of public works town;

4. Submission of a restoration bond to the town in the amount of $420,000.00 per acre that is valid for a period of one year. The purpose of such bond is to provide the town with a mechanism to restore proper grading and vegetation to the job site if the developer/owner fails to complete the subdivision improvements after initial clearing has occurred. The town reserves the right to call the bond at any point during the one-year period that it appears the job site has been abandoned, the contractor fails to respond to written notice, and the time limits for maintaining or proceeding with such construction activity are in violation of EPA-TCEQ requirements. The bond shall be returned subsequent to the filing of a record plat for the subdivision.

ARTICLE III. - PLATS
DIVISION 1. - GENERALLY

Sec. 90-91. - Applicability of article provisions.

Approval of a development plan by the planning and zoning commission and the town council shall constitute conditional approval of a record plat, subject to a determination of compliance with the provisions of divisions 1 and 2 of this article. After approval of a development plan, once town staff has determined a development plan meets all Town standards, the applicant may submit for filing of record review with the county a record plat conforming to the approved development plan that contains all or a portion of the property contained in the approved development plan (see section 90-122, conformance with development plan). Any application for a plat shall include all property under common ownership. Application for record plats for proposed subdivisions containing four or fewer lots and requiring no public improvements may be filed submitted without an approved development plan.

Sec. 90-92. - Conveyance of land.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of divisions 1 and 2 of this article, record plats for the express purpose of conveying land to the town for municipal purposes and requiring no public improvements are not subject to approval of a development plan, and may be approved by the town manager upon recommendation of the town engineer, director of public works and the executive director of development services without the approval of the planning and zoning commission and town council. The town may waive certain record plat submittal requirements as may be appropriate for such record plats.

Sec. 90-93. - Record plat submittal requirements.
(a) The owner of land on which approval has been obtained for a development plan shall have prepared and submitted a record plat for review by the planning and zoning commission. The owner shall submit the appropriate fees and number of copies of the record plat and construction plans required documentation, as outlined in the town's record plat application packet. Each drawing shall measure 18 inches by 24 inches and shall be drawn to a scale of 100 feet to one inch, unless otherwise approved by the executive director of development services. When necessary, the record plat may be on several sheets accompanied by an index sheet showing the entire subdivision. For large subdivisions, the record plat may be submitted for approval progressively in sections satisfactory to the planning and zoning commission.

(b) The completed application for a record plat shall contain or be accompanied by the following information:

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(7) Zoning Building Setback lines. Minimum zoning building setback lines, when required or approved by the planning and zoning commission, shall be placed on the record plat.

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(19) Mandatory homeowners' association documents. Any mandatory homeowners' association documents, in accordance with the town's standard format and the requirements of article IV of this chapter, mandatory homeowner's associations, shall be submitted with the record plat for review by the town attorney's office.

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(21) Separate conveyance for dedicated public lands and rights-of-way. Dedicated public lands and rights-of-way shall be separately conveyed to the town by a special warranty deed prior to the record plat being recorded in the deed records of the county issuance of the first building permit within the subdivision.

(22) Planned development sunset provision. For subdivisions located within a planned development district, a note shall be included on the face of the record plat indicating that the zoning may be changed by the town council to interim holding district if a record plat is not recorded within five years pursuant to chapter 78 of this Code.

(23) Digitized submittal. A copy of the record plat drawing must be submitted in a digitized format compatible with the town's geographic information system (GIS).

(24) Tree survey. If a record plat is submitted, for which the submission of a development plan is not also required, then the record plat shall be submitted with a tree survey prepared in accordance with the requirements of division 2, article II of chapter 94 of this Code.

Sec. 90-94. - Administrative approval of minor plats.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this article, minor plats or replats involving four or fewer lots and requiring no public improvements may be approved by the town manager, upon recommendation of the town engineer, the director of public works, and the executive director of development services, without the approval of the planning and zoning commission or town council.

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DIVISION 2. - REVIEW PROCEDURES  

Sec. 90-121. - Scheduling Filing.
After approval of the development plan by the planning and zoning commission and town council, or after staff's determination that the development plan is filed in accordance with section 90-7, and within 18 months of the approval date unless extended by action of the town council, the subdivider may submit for approval the record plat. A completed application for a record plat, meeting all the requirements of section 90-93 shall be submitted to the executive director of development services at least 45 days prior to the meeting at which consideration is desired. The official date of the record plat, and the date on which it shall be considered administratively complete, shall be the date upon which the record plat is determined to be in compliance with the general and administrative provisions of this chapter, by the executive director of development services, or the date upon which the construction plans are found to be in full compliance with this chapter's standards, by the director of public works, whichever occurs later. Once the record plat is filed, it will then be scheduled for consideration by the planning and zoning commission within the time period prescribed by law as determined by the date of acceptance for review and the calendar schedule maintained by the executive director of development services. For purposes of this Article, the date that the record plat is filed shall be determined in accordance with Section 90-7 hereof.

**Sec. 90-123. - Review of construction plans.**

The director of public works or the town engineering staff shall review the construction plans in relation to the submitted plat, and the record plat shall not be considered filed pursuant to section 90-7 until all comments on the construction plans have been resolved. Submit to the planning and zoning commission his report at the record plat presentation. The developer shall pay the reasonable cost of review of the construction plans before the record plat is presented to the planning and zoning commission.

**Sec. 90-124. - Review by planning and zoning commission.**

(a) Action. The record plat shall be presented to the planning and zoning commission, along with any appropriate recommendations by the executive director of development services. The planning and zoning commission shall act on the record plat within 30 days after the official filing date. The date that the record plat is filed shall be determined in accordance with Section 90-7 hereof, unless such time is extended by agreement with the subdivider. If no action is taken by the planning and zoning commission within 30 days after the official filing date or such longer period as permitted by law may have been agreed upon, the record plat shall be deemed approved. A certificate showing the official date and failure to take action thereon within 30 days of such date shall, on demand, be issued by the planning and zoning commission, and this certificate shall be sufficient in lieu of a written endorsement or other evidence of approval.

(d) Conditional Approval or Disapproval. Record plats that are conditionally approved or disapproved by the planning and zoning commission shall be returned to the subdivider by the executive director of development services with a written attached statement that clearly articulates each of the specific conditions for the conditional approval or reasons for the disapproval reasons for such action. Each condition or reason specified may not be arbitrary, must be directly related to the requirements under Subchapter A, Regulation of Subdivisions of Chapter 212 of the Texas Local Government Code, and must include a citation to the law, including a statute or municipal ordinance, that is the basis for the conditional approval or disapproval.

(e) Applicant Response to Conditional Approval or Disapproval. After the conditional approval or disapproval of a plat, the subdivider may submit a written response that satisfies
each condition for the conditional approval or remedies each reason for the disapproval. The Town Manager shall review any submitted revisions that were required under subsection (d) and schedule the plat for review by the appropriate governing body, which shall determine whether to approve or disapprove the subdivider’s previously conditionally approved or disapproved plat, pursuant to the guidelines set forth in subsection (d). If the revised plat is still not in compliance with Town standards or requirements, a disapproval of the submittal must be issued no later than the fifteenth (15th) day after the date the response was submitted.

(e) Appeal. Any subdivider aggrieved by any finding or action of the planning and zoning commission that involves the disapproval of a record plat or the jurisdiction of the town council as to dedication or improvements, shall have the right of appeal to the town council within 30 days from the date of such finding or action, but any appeal must be taken within 30 days of such action and not thereafter.

Sec. 90-126. - Action following approval.

... (b) Plats within the town. The record plat for any subdivision located within the corporate limits of the town shall then be caused to be filed of record by the town in the plat records of the county, but only after the planning and zoning commission and the town council, if required, has officially acted upon the record plat with reference to improvements, dedications and utilities. Filing fees shall be paid by the developer.

Sec. 90-127. - Easements after approval filing of record plat.

When new easements are needed or required, or existing easements need to be relocated, after a record plat, replat or amended plat has been approved filed with the County, regardless of whether construction has been completed at the site, the owner or developer of the property burdened by such easements shall file with the executive director of development services a survey showing property boundary lines, location and dimensions of all proposed and existing easements, indicating volume and page numbers, both onsite and offsite, roadways, rail lines and public rights-of-way crossing and adjacent to the subject property. The survey shall be certified by a registered professional land surveyor and submitted to the town for the review and approval of all separate instrument easements apply for an amended plat or replat, as applicable, noting the new or revised location of the subject easement.

Sec. 90-128. - Vacating plat.

(a) The proprietors of the tract covered by a plat may request to vacate the plat at any time before any lot in the plat is sold. The plat is vacated when a signed, acknowledged instrument declaring the plat vacated is approved and recorded in the manner prescribed for the original plat.

DIVISION 3. - REPLATS AND PLAT AMENDMENTS

Sec. 90-151. - Replats.

(a) Replatting without vacating preceding plat. A replat of a subdivision or part of a subdivision may be recorded and is controlling over the preceding plat without vacation of that plat if the replat:

(1) Is signed and acknowledged by only the owners of the property being replatted;
(2) Is approved, after a public hearing on the matter at which parties in interest and citizens have an opportunity to be heard, by the municipal authority responsible for approving plats; and

(c) Additional requirements for certain replats.

(2) Notice of the hearing required under section 90-151(a) shall be given before the 15th day before the date of the hearing by:

a. Publication in an official newspaper or a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the municipality is located; and

b. By written notice, with a copy of subsection (c)(3) hereof attached, forwarded by the municipal authority responsible for approving plats to the owners of lots that are in the original subdivision and that are within 200 feet of the lots to be replatted, as indicated on the most recently approved municipal tax roll or in the case of a subdivision within the extraterritorial jurisdiction, the most recently approved county tax roll of the property upon which the replat is requested. The written notice may be delivered by depositing the notice, properly addressed with postage prepaid, in a post office or postal depository within the boundaries of the municipality.

(2) If a proposed replat described by subsection (c)(1) requires a variance or exception, a public hearing must be held by the proper town approving authorities.

(3) Notice of the hearing required under subsection (c)(2) shall be given before the 15th day before the date of the hearing:

a. By publication in an official newspaper or a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the town is located; and

b. By written notice, with a copy of subsection (c)(4) hereof attached, to the owners of lots that are in the original subdivision and that are within 200 feet of the lots to be replatted, as indicated on the most recently approved municipal tax roll, or in the case of a subdivision within the extraterritorial jurisdiction, the most recently approved county tax roll of the property upon which the replat is requested. The written notice may be delivered by depositing the notice, properly addressed with postage prepaid, in a post office or postal depository within the boundaries of the municipality.

(43) If the proposed replat requires a variance or exception and is protested in accordance with this subsection, the proposed replat must receive, in order to be approved, the affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of the members present of the municipal planning commission or governing body, or both. For a legal protest, written instruments signed by the owners of at least 20 percent of the area of the lots or land immediately adjoining the area covered by the proposed replat and extending 200 feet from that area, but within the original subdivision, must be filed with the town in accordance with the provisions of section 78-154(d)(1) prior to the close of the public hearing.

(54) In computing the percentage of land area under subsection (c)(43), the area of streets and alleys shall be included.

(65) Compliance with subsections (c)(43) and (c)(54) is not required for approval of a replat of part of a preceding plat if the area to be replatted was designated or reserved for other than single or duplex family residential use by notation on the last legally recorded plat or in the legally recorded restrictions applicable to the plat.
(7) If the proposed replat described by subsection (c)(1) does not require an exception, the Town shall, not later than the 15th day after the date the replat is approved, provide written notice by mail of the approval of the replat to each owner of a lot in the original subdivision that is within 200 feet of the lots to be replatted according to the most recent town or county tax roll. This subsection does not apply to a proposed replat if the planning and zoning commission holds a public hearing and gives notice of the hearing in the manner provided by subsection (c)(3).

(8) The notice of a replat approval required by subsection (c)(7) must include:

   a. the zoning designation of the property after the replat; and
   b. the telephone number and email address an owner of a lot may use to contact the Town about the replat.

Sec. 90-152. - Plat amendments.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, the town manager, upon the recommendation of the town engineer, the director of public works, and the executive director of development services staff, is authorized to approve and issue an amending plat that is signed by the applicants only, and that is for solely one or more of the following purposes, and such approval and issuance shall not require notice, hearing or approval of other lot owners:

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ARTICLE V. – IMPROVEMENTS

Sec. 90-211. – Administrative approval.

Subdivision improvements shall be subject to acceptance by the town manager, upon the recommendation of the town engineer, the director of public works and the town manager.

Sec. 90-212. - Time frame for completion.

(a) Plan resubmittal. If construction has not commenced within one year after approval of the plans, resubmittal of plans may be required by the town engineer for meeting current standards and engineering requirements. These plans will be reviewed and comments noted within 30 days. A fee as provided for in the fee schedule found in appendix A of this Code is required upon the resubmittal of plans for review. The term "construction" shall mean the start or commencement of construction of town-maintained facilities.

(b) Expiration and extension of approval. If the public improvements for a subdivision have not been constructed and accepted by the town, and the corresponding record plat for such subdivision filed in the map and plat records of the appropriate county within 18 months from the date of record plat approval by the town, such record plat shall be null and void and shall conclusively be deemed to be withdrawn, without further action by the town; provided, however, that this subsection shall not apply to record plats approved by the town prior to September 1, 1992. If the public improvements for a subdivision that was approved prior to September 1, 1992, have not been constructed and accepted by the town, and the corresponding record plat for such subdivision filed in the map and plat records of the appropriate county by February 1, 1994, such record plat shall be null and void and shall conclusively be deemed to be withdrawn, without further action by the town. An approved, unexpired record plat may be extended once for a period not to exceed 12 months, pursuant to the following provisions:

   (1) The town council may extend the approval of the record plat, for good cause shown by the applicant, if there has been no significant change in development conditions affecting the
subdivision plan and the record plat continues to comply with all applicable standards and ordinances.

(2) A request for an extension of time to complete final public improvements for a subdivision pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be submitted to the town manager no later than the date the record plat expires. The request shall be in writing, and the application shall state the reason and justification for the requested extension.

Sec. 90-219. – As-built plans.

Prior to the acceptance of a subdivision by the town, the engineer for the developer shall submit to the town engineering staff two complete sets of construction drawings of the paving, drainage, water and sewer improvements subdivision showing all changes made in the plans during construction and containing on each sheet an as-built stamp bearing the signature of the engineer and the date. The as-built drawings must be submitted in a digitized format acceptable to the engineering staff and compatible with the town’s geographic information system (GIS).

In addition, the engineer for the developer shall submit to the town staff four copies of a revised electronic version of the tree survey prepared in accordance with the requirements of division 2, article III of chapter 94 of this Code, tree permits. This revised tree survey shall be superimposed upon the record plat to indicate the location of all protected, specimen, majestic and historic trees, as defined in division 4, article III of chapter 94 of this Code, on the tract after completion of construction. One complete set of reproducible drawings of the utility plan sheets containing the as-built information shall be submitted. In addition, all of the above cited drawings must be submitted in a digitized format compatible with the town’s geographic information system (GIS).

Sec. 90-221. – Inspection fee.

Prior to the acceptance issuance of the subdivision development permit by the town for the construction of a subdivision, the subdivider shall pay a design review and inspection fee equal to three percent of the estimated construction costs of the water and sewer utilities, drainage facilities, fire lanes and streets in each subdivision. If deemed necessary by staff, the subdivider shall file with the town manager for a determination of the actual amount of the fee to be assessed against the subdivider prior to acceptance of the subdivision.

Sec. 90-222. - Cash escrow.

At the discretion of the town engineer, if extenuating circumstances exist beyond control of the developer/owner, the town may allow the developer/owner to provide a cash escrow in the amount equal to 125 percent of the cost of the installation of the landscaping. There shall be no interest paid on the cash escrow.

Chapter 90 – Subdivisions. Article VI. – Standards.

DIVISION 1. – GENERALLY

Sec. 90-251. – Special roadway and area standards.

New residential subdivisions within a specific plan area or with frontage on principal, country or scenic roadways shall be subject to the following standards:
(1) **Specific plan area.** New residential subdivisions within a specific plan area shall conform to the land use and planning guidelines established in the comprehensive master plan for such areas.

(2) **Special roadways.** New residential subdivisions with frontage on a principal, country or scenic roadway shall be subject to the following standards:

   a. **Landscaped buffer.** A landscaped buffer shall be provided adjacent to such roadway as required in section 82-212(2)a, landscaping and screening applicability. Such landscaped buffer shall be located in a dedicated easement or separate parcel, and shall be maintained by the mandatory homeowners’ association.

   b. **Scenic roadway setback.** The scenic roadways designated in the comprehensive master plan, namely FM 1171 from Old Settlers Road west to U.S. 377 and FM 2499 from FM 3040 (Flower Mound Road) south to the town limits, are to have the maximum preservation of existing natural features, trees and views, extensive landscaping of the roadside where it does not currently exist, and limitations on density of new development within 1,000 feet of the roadway centerline. Compliance with this section shall be at the determination of the town council, upon recommendation by the planning and zoning commission.

(Code 1989, ch. 12, § 4.02)

Secs. 90-2512—90-270. - Reserved.

**DIVISION 2. – LOTS AND BLOCKS**

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**Sec. 90-272. - Lot depth, lines and frontage.**

(a) **Depth.** Lot depth **shall not exceed 2½ times the lot width,** unless an exception is approved by the Town Council after receiving a recommendation from the planning and zoning commission.

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**Sec. 90-276. — Exception for industrial lots.**

An industrial subdivision shall be processed for approval in the same manner as provided for a residential subdivision, except that individual lots are not required on such plat, and only streets, blocks, easements and minimum building lines shall be indicated.

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**Sec. 90-311. – Street design standards.**

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(c) The spacing of median breaks and drive approaches shall be as set forth in subsection (a) of this section, unless otherwise approved by the town engineering staff. The criteria for the spacing of median breaks shall not apply in specific plan areas of the town’s comprehensive master plan, as amended. In addition to the above criteria, no residential drive shall be closer than 35 feet from any intersection.

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**Sec. 90-375. – Streetlights and traffic control devices.**

Streetlights comparable with those required on public rights-of-way must be provided. Street lighting design plans shall be approved by the town manager or his designee. Design plans and locations of all traffic control devices shall be approved by the town engineering staff or his designee. The design, size, color and construction of all traffic control devices must comply with
those required in public rights-of-way. A sign stating that a street is private shall be provided at the entrance to every private street from a public street.

Sec. 90-376. - Utility connection.

Utilities to any part of the subdivision shall not be connected until the requirements of this chapter are met, and the town engineer has issued a certification of compliance of proper construction of the private streets and private alleys.