

# City of Broken Arrow

### **Request for Action**

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# Broken Arrow Planning Commission 08-26-2021

To: Chairman and Commission Members From: Development Services Department

Title:

Approval of PT20-115, conditional final plat, Estates at Lynn Lane Blocks 1 - 6, 38.28 acres, 122 Lots, R-2 to PUD-315/RS-3, located one-quarter mile north of New Orleans Street (101st Street), east of 9th Street (177th E. Avenue/Lynn Lane Road)

**Background:** 

**Applicant:** Erik Enyart, Tanner Consulting, LLC

Owner: Memorial Drive, LLC & Oklahoma Land Investments Company, LLC

**Developer:** Tulsa L. Development, LLC **Engineer:** Tanner Consulting, LLC

Location: One-quarter mile north of New Orleans Street (101st Street), east of 9th Street (177th E.

Avenue/Lynn Lane Road)

Size of Tract 38.28 acres
Number of Lots: 122 proposed

**Present Zoning:** R-2 to PUD-315/RS-3

Comp Plan: Level 2

PT20-115, the conditional final plat for the Estates at Lynn Lane Block 1 - 6, contains 38.28 acres with 122 proposed lots. The property, which is presently zoned R-2, is located one-quarter mile north of New Orleans Street (101st Street), east of 9<sup>th</sup> Street (177th E. Avenue/Lynn Lane Road).

Since the property associated with the Estates at Lynn Lane Blocks 1 - 6 was annexed in 1983, there have been four rezoning requests (BAZ 901, BAZ 961, BAZ 1786, and BAZ-1984), two PUD requests (PUD 38 and PUD -315), and a decree by District Court (Case No. C-83-3081). On April 12, 1983, an application (BAZ 901) was made to change the zoning on this property from A-1 to R-3. The Planning Commission reviewed this application on May 12, 1983, and recommended denial of R-3 zoning, but recommended approval of R-2 zoning. On May 16, 1983, the City Council further modified the request and approved R-1 zoning designation only. Ordinance 1105, which changed the zoning on the property from A-1 to R-1, was approved by the City Council on June 6, 1983.

On July 14, 1983, a Planned Unit Development (PUD-38), Silver Ridge Park, was submitted to accommodate approximately 202 single-family units and a 13.30-acre open space for the area associated with BAZ 901. With PUD 38, the underlying zoning was requested to be R-1. The Planning Commission recommended approval of PUD 38 with several conditions; however, the City Council denied this request in their meeting of July 18,

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1983. Applicant requested that their application be reheard by the City Council. PUD-38 was denied again by the City Council on September 6, 1983.

On February 27, 1984, an application (BAZ 961) was filed to change the zoning on the property from R-1 to R-2. This rezoning request was reviewed and denied by the Planning Commission on March 22, 1984.

In the Staff report for BAZ 961, it was noted that a lawsuit had been filed against the City of Broken Arrow regarding the denial of R-2 zoning and PUD 38. The hearing was scheduled to occur on April 12, 1984.

In District Court, it is was ruled with Case No. C-83-3081 that the zoning on the property should be R-2. On July 16, 1984, the City Council approved Ordinance 1257 to change the zoning on the property from R-1 to R-2.

On October 8, 2007, an application (BAZ 1786) was made to change the zoning on the property from R-2 to RS -2. This application was approved by the City Council on December 3, 2007, subject to the property being platted. The property has not been platted. As a result, the zoning remains R-2.

On October 3, 2017, BAZ-1984, a request to change the zoning on this property from R-2 to RS-3 was approved by the City Council. BAZ-1984 was approved subject to the property being platted. The property has not been platted, so the zoning today remains R-2.

On September 15, 2020, the City Council approved PUD-315 on the property associated with this conditional final plat. With PUD-315, applicant requested to keep the RS-3 zoning classification approved with BAZ-1984 and add PUD-315 as an overlay. PUD-315 was approved subject to the property being platted. The preliminary plat, which showed 255 lots on 68.30 acres, was approved by the Planning Commission on October 22, 2020, subject to an attached checklist.

With PUD-315, the minimum lot width was reduced from 60 feet to 55 feet, minimum lot size was reduced from 7,000 square feet to 6,500 square feet, and on lots with no vehicular access, the building line setback was established at 20 feet. PUD-315, however, also stipulated that at least 60% of the lots within the PUD would meet the minimum lot size, lot width, and building setback requirements of the RS-3 district. PUD-315 also required a 10-foot wide landscape reserve area adjacent to 9<sup>th</sup> Street.

The primary access to the property will be from 9<sup>th</sup> Street. There are also four streets (S. 13<sup>th</sup> Street, S. 16<sup>th</sup> Street, E. 96<sup>th</sup> Street, and E. Jacksonville Place) that stub into the property. These stub streets are intended to be connected in accordance with Comprehensive Plan policy M15. S. 13<sup>th</sup> Street and S. 16<sup>th</sup> Street are part of the Washington Lane addition to the north, which is part of PUD-135 and subsequent amendments. The Concept Plan for PUD-135 showed two streets connecting to the south boundary of the property. In addition, PUD-135 proposed to have a pedestrian trail system along the south and east boundaries of Washington Lane. When Washington Lane II was platted, it showed a 20-foot wide Reserve Area between the south property line and S. 13<sup>th</sup> Street. When Washington Lane IV was platted, S. 16<sup>th</sup> Street was shown to extend to the south property line. The preliminary plat for Washington Lane IV had initially shown a 20-foot wide unplatted area along the south boundary. In a June 14, 2005, letter, the developer stated, "Our intentions were to plat these areas with a later phase to ensure the timing of developing in these areas (e.g. trail systems) would be by the developer's timing and not as directed by the City of Broken Arrow." They subsequently agreed to extend the street right-of-way to the south property line. As a result, S. 16<sup>th</sup> Street extends to the south property, but there is a 20-foot wide gap between the property line and the street right-of-way on S. 13<sup>th</sup> Street. The right-of-way for 13st Street for the Estates at Lynn Lane is shown to extend to the north property line.

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When BAZ-1984 was being heard by the Planning Commission on September 14, 2017, residents on S. 96<sup>th</sup> Street expressed concern about connections being made to their street. Their street, which is straight for a half mile, was constructed in Tulsa County prior to being annexed into the City Limits of Broken Arrow. S. 96<sup>th</sup> Street presently serves a large lot single family detached neighborhood. If connected, S. 96<sup>th</sup> Street would be a half mile straight thoroughfare for residents in the addition associated with this PUD as well as the Washington Lane addition to the north. The Planning Commission had acknowledged that when the plat associated with BAZ-1984 was submitted they would look at limiting access to E. 96<sup>th</sup> Street. With PUD-315, applicant has stated that the connection to E. 96<sup>th</sup> Street will be gated if permitted by the Broken Arrow Fire Code and will be used only during emergencies.

Ninth Street is proposed to be expanded as part of the 2018 GO Bond package. The timeline for expanding this street has not been determined yet. When the City Council approved PUD-315, they requested that a traffic study be conducted. A traffic study was prepared by Ernest J. Peters, a registered professional engineer, and is included with this Staff report. This report concluded, "The maximum number of vehicles projected to turn right into the site from S. Lynn Lane Road at Gary Place is below the 100 vehicle criteria for the AM, school PM and PM peak hours. There are no sight distance issues at the proposed new street location and capacity and LOS (level of service) results indicate this proposed new street intersect is expected to operate satisfactorily without the addition of a deceleration lane."

When PUD-315 was approved, the City Council also requested that surrounding property owners be notified when the plat moved forward. Notices were sent on August 4, 2021, notifying surrounding property owners of the conditional final plat being reviewed by the Planning Commission on August 26, 2021. Surrounding property owners were also notified when the preliminary plat was reviewed by the Planning Commission.

Water and sanitary sewer service will be provided by the City of Broken Arrow. According to the FEMA maps, a portion of the property is in the 100-year floodplain of the West Branch of Broken Arrow Creek. There is a pond and a drainage channel that passes through the southwest corner of the property. According to the topographic information provided by the applicant, most of the property drains into this existing pond. This area is shown on the conditional final plat as Reserve C and contains an overland drainage easement. According to the covenants, the maintenance of Reserve C is the responsibility of the owner of the lot.

**Attachments:** Checklist

Conditional final plat

Approved PUD-315 design statement Traffic study prepared by Ernest J. Peters

PUD-135 Washington Lane approved design statement

Washington Lane II recorded plat Washington Lane IV recorded plat

Washington Lane IV preliminary plat.05-20-2005 Washington Lane IV preliminary plat.06-24-2005

Letter from Eric Anderson.06-14-2005 Letter from Eric Anderson.06-27-2005 Comprehensive Plan Policy M15

Excerpt from September 15, 2020, City Council minutes pertaining to PUD-315

Conditional final plat notice sent to surrounding property owners

#### **Recommendation:**

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Staff recommends PT20-115, conditional final plat for the Estates at Lynn Lane Blocks 1 - 6, be approved, subject to the attached checklist.

**Reviewed By:** Jill Ferenc

**Approved By:** Larry R. Curtis

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