MEMORANDUM



TO: PLANNING COMMISSION

FROM: MARK SPENCER, AICP, PLANNER Mark Spence

SUBJECT: CITY INITIATED REZONING OF OS-2 DISTRICT PROPERTIES

DATE: MARCH 3, 2011

The recently adopted amended Master Plan for Land Use divided the previously designated "Office" future land use areas into four new office use areas, "Community Office" to coincide with areas zoned OS-1, Office Service District, "Office Commercial" to coincide with areas zoned OSC, Office Service Commercial District, and "Office, Research, Development and Technology" to coincide with areas zoned OST, Planned Office Service Technology District. In addition, a new "Office, Research, Development and Technology with Retail Service Overlay" use area was included to permit an additional set of retail uses in select office areas.

Only one area of the City is currently in the OS-2, Planned Office Service District and this area is the Knightsbridge Gate single-family residential development (see attached map). This property is subject to a Consent Judgment between Paragon Properties and the City of Novi permitting single family residential development at 4.8 dwelling units per acre. Due to these facts, the elimination of the OS-2 District was contemplated during the Master Plan review process and a use designation to match the OS-2 District was not proposed in the Master Plan.

As the first step in eliminating the OS-2 district from the Zoning Ordinance, the Planning Staff recommends the City of Novi initiate the rezoning of the Knightsbridge Gate development to R-4, One-Family Residential to match the density permitted in the judgment and as listed in the Master Plan. If City Council approves the rezoning, Staff will draft a proposed set of Zoning Ordinance amendments to eliminate the OS-2 District and to modify the OSC and OST sections of the Zoning Ordinance to address these sections' reference to uses permitted in the OS-2 District. Currently, all uses permitted in the OS-2 district are permitted in the OSC and OST district subject to the conditions of approval listed in the OS-2 District. Staff will propose to merge the OS-2 uses and conditions into the OSC and OST sections.

To help determine if there would be any major opposition to the proposed rezoning, the Planning Staff sent letters to the three major property owners in the development (see attached map), the developer and the homeowners association explaining the City's intentions and offering to discuss with them any concerns they may have about the rezoning. At this time, Staff received and responded to two concerns. First, would a change in zoning district change the terms of the Consent judgment and second, would the change affect taxable property values (SEV). The City Attorney was consulted on this proposal and he reviewed the terms of the Paragon Consent

Judgment and determined that the Judgment does not prohibit the rezoning of the property and that rezoning the property would not change any of the terms of the judgment. The proposed rezoning was discussed with the City Assessor and he stated that the proposed rezoning is not very likely to change the selling prices of the homes, thus since the SEV is based on the home values, the SEV would not change.

At this time, Staff requests the Planning Commission consider setting a public hearing on the proposed rezoning for April 13, 2011.

If you have any questions on this matter or if you need any additional information, please feel free to contact me.



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Grand Sakwa-Jacobson Novi, LLC 28470 13 Mile Rd., Ste. 220 Farminaton Hills, MI 48334

RE: Rezoning of Knightsbridge Gate properties

Dear Property Manager:

The City of Novi is considering rezoning all of the properties in Knightsbridge Gate to the R-4, One-Family Residential District from the current OS-2, Planned Office Service District. Placing the development in a new zoning district will not affect or change any of the approvals or stipulations granted to the Knightsbridge Gate development. As you are aware, the development of the Knightsbridge Gate property is regulated by the 2004 consent judgment between Paragon Properties and the City of Novi. The City's attorney has reviewed the terms of the judgment and determined that the judgment does not prohibit the rezoning of the property and that rezoning the property would not change any of the terms of the judgment.

Knightsbridge Gate is the only property in the City that is located in the OS-2 district. In order to streamline the Zoning Ordinance the City is considering eliminating this district. The R-4 district proposed for the Knightsbridge Gate properties is the City's most intense single family zoning district and the closest match to the approved development found in the Zoning Ordinance. Placing the development in a residential zoning district could also reduce the number of zoning questions that the City or the property owners receive about the zoning of properties in the development.

At this time we would like you to provide us with your comments on the proposed change. Please let us know by January 14, 2011 if you have any concerns regarding this proposed zoning district change.

Thanks in advance for your help on this matter. If you have any questions on this matter, please feel free to contact me at 248.735.5607 or mspencer@cityofnovi.org.

Sincerely,

Mark Spencer, AICP Planner

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CC: Barbara McBeth, Deputy Director Community Development Charles Boulard, Director Community Development Grand Sakwa-Jacobson Novi, LLC 28470 13 Mile Rd., ste. 220 Farmington Hills, MI 48334

Knightsbridge Gate Association 1100 Victors Way, Ste. 50 Ann Arbor, MI 48108

S. E. Michigan Land Holding, LLC 12955 23 Mile Rd. Shelby Township, MI 48315

Winnick-Knightsbridge Gate, LLC 121 West Long Lake Rd., 3rd floor Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304

Hunter-Pasteur Homes, LLC 32255 Northwestern Hwy., ste. 180 Farmington Hills, MI 48334

Spencer, Mark

From: Spencer, Mark

Sent: Thursday, January 13, 2011 10:15 AM

To: 'David Gans'

Subject: RE: Knightsbridge Gate

David:

Thanks for your reply regarding the proposed rezoning of Knightsbridge Gate to R-4, one-family residential. Regarding a change in SEV, the City Assessor has stated that it is very unlikely that a rezoning would increase the selling price of any of the homes, therefore, it would be very unlikely to effect the SEV. Regarding the terms of the Consent Judgment, our City Attorney has stated that the change would not change any of the terms of the Judgment. Please let me know if you have any additional questions.

Mark Spencer, AICP, Planner City of Novi 45175 W. Ten Mile Rd. Novi, MI 48375 248-735-5607

From: David Gans [mailto:dgans@winnickhomes.com]

Sent: Monday, December 20, 2010 2:59 PM

To: Spencer, Mark

Subject: Knightsbridge Gate

I am in receipt of your letter dated Dec. 16, 2010 regarding the proposed re-zoning of Knightsbridge Gate from OS-2 to R-4. so long as the rezoning will not impact any SEV's as well as the that the consent judgment will still control the development of the subject property.

David A. Gans 121 West Long Lake road Third Floor Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48304

Office: 1 248 593 9820 Fax: 1 248 593 9821

Spencer, Mark

From: Spencer, Mark

Sent: Wednesday, January 12, 2011 3:52 PM

To: 'Linda Martin'

Subject: RE: Knightsbridge Gate - Rezoning

Linda:

Thanks for your response. I confirmed with the City's Assessor that proposed zoning change will have no affect on the assessed value of the homes. Please let me know if you have any other questions. I look forward to your Board's support on this matter.

Mark Spencer, AICP, Planner City of Novi 45175 W. Ten Mile Rd. Novi, MI 48375 248-735-5607

From: Linda Martin [mailto:lmartin@kramertriad.com]

Sent: Monday, January 03, 2011 12:16 PM

To: Spencer, Mark

Subject: Knightsbridge Gate - Rezoning

Mark,

I am the Community Association Manager for the Knightsbridge Gate Association at 12 Mile/Napier. We received the attached letter form you regarding rezoning the homes in Knightsbridge Gate from OS-2 (Planned Office Service) to R-4 (One-family Residential).

The Board would like to know what affect this will this have on tax Assessments?

Please advise.

Thank you!

Linda Martin, CMCA, AMS Community Association Manager

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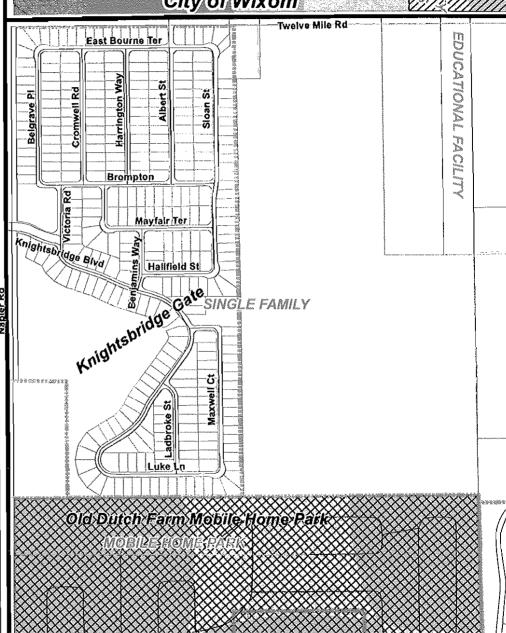
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