Land Development and Transportation Committee Staff Report

May 22, 2025



Case No: 24-ZONE-0131

Project Name: Vaughn Haven Subdivision

Location: 7304 Vaughn Mill Road and 7205 Briscoe Lane

Applicant: Ken Thieneman Builders
Representative(s): Blue Stone Engineers PLLC

Jurisdiction:Louisville MetroCouncil District:23 – Jeff Hudson

Case Manager: Amy Brooks, Planning Supervisor

REQUEST(S)

- Change-in-Zoning from R-4 single family residential to PRD Planned Residential Development
- Detailed District Development Plan/Major Preliminary Subdivision Plan with binding elements

CASE SUMMARY

The development plan calls for a change in zoning to allow for development under the Planned Residential (PRD) site development standards. The site contains 5.6 acres, and 37 buildable, single-family residential lots are proposed. The subject site is located on Vaughn Mill Road between the intersections of Peppermill and Briscoe Lanes. Vaughn Mill Road is a primary collector roadway which contains a variety of uses from commercial to residential.

STAFF FINDING

The proposal is ready for a public hearing date to be set.

TECHNICAL REVIEW

- MSD and Transportation Planning have provided preliminary approval of the proposal.
- The development site is located within the study area for the Highview Neighborhood Plan. The neighborhood plan has no specific recommendations for this site.

INTERESTED PARTY COMMENTS

Interested party comments will be incorporated into the record.

STANDARD OF REVIEW FOR ZONING/FORM DISTRICT CHANGES

Criteria for granting the proposed form district change/rezoning: KRS Chapter 100.213

1. The proposed form district/rezoning change complies with the applicable Land use and Development policies of Plan 2040; **OR**

- 2. The existing form district/zoning classification is inappropriate and the proposed classification is appropriate; **OR**
- 3. There have been major changes of an economic, physical, or social nature within the area involved which were not anticipated in Plan 2040 which have substantially altered the basic character of the area.

STAFF ANALYSIS FOR CHANGE IN ZONING

The Following is a summary of staff's analysis of the proposed rezoning against the Land Use and Development Policies of Plan 2040:

The site is located in the Neighborhood Form District

The Neighborhood Form is characterized by predominantly residential uses that vary from low to high density and that blend compatibly into the existing landscape and neighborhood areas. High-density uses will be limited in scope to minor or major arterials and to areas that have limited impact on the low to moderate density residential areas.

The Neighborhood Form will contain diverse housing types in order to provide housing choice for differing ages, incomes and abilities. New neighborhoods are encouraged to incorporate these different housing types within a neighborhood as long as the different types are designed to be compatible with nearby land uses. These types may include, but not be limited to, large lot single family developments with cul-de-sacs, traditional neighborhoods with short blocks or walkways in the middle of long blocks to connect with other streets, villages and zero-lot line neighborhoods with open space, and high density multi-family housing. The Neighborhood Form may contain open space and, at appropriate locations, civic uses and neighborhood centers with a mixture of uses such as offices, retail shops, restaurants and services. These neighborhood centers should be at a scale that is appropriate for nearby neighborhoods. The Neighborhood Form should provide for accessibility and connectivity between adjacent uses and neighborhoods by automobile, pedestrian, bicycle and transit.

Neighborhood streets may be either curvilinear, rectilinear or in a grid pattern and should be designed to support physical activity for all users and invite human interaction. Streets are connected and easily accessible to each other, using design elements such as short blocks or bike/walkways in the middle of long blocks to connect with other streets. Examples of design elements that encourage this interaction include narrow street widths, street trees, sidewalks, shaded seating/gathering areas and bus stops. Placement of utilities should permit the planting of shade trees along both sides of the streets.

REQUIRED ACTIONS

• **SET** the public hearing date for Planning Commission.

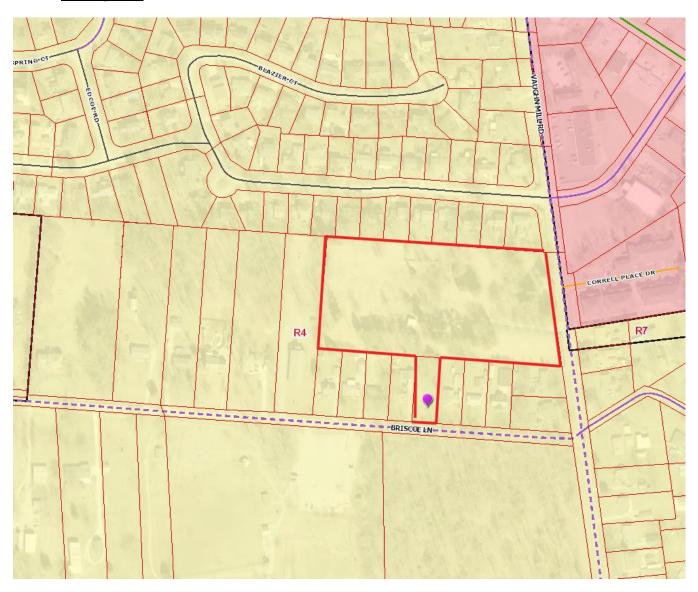
NOTIFICATION

| Date | Purpose of Notice | Recipients |
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| 05/22/2025 | Hearing before LD&T | 1 st and 2 nd tier adjoining property owners Registered Neighborhood Groups in Council District 23 |
| | Hearing before Planning Commission | 1 st and 2 nd tier adjoining property owners Registered Neighborhood Groups in Council District 23 |
| | Hearing before PC | Sign Posting on property |
| | Hearing before PC | Legal Advertisement in the Courier-Journal |

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Zoning Map
- Aerial Photograph
- 3. Proposed Binding Elements

1. Zoning Map



2. Aerial Photograph



3. **Proposed Binding Elements**

- 1. The development shall be in accordance with the approved Residential Development Preliminary Plan. No further subdivision of the land into a greater number of lots than originally approved will occur without approval of the Planning Commission.
- 2. The applicant shall submit a landscape plan for approval by Planning Commission staff showing plantings and/or other screening and buffering materials to comply with the Chapter 10 of the Land Development Code prior to recording the record plat. The applicant shall provide the landscape materials on the site as specified on the approved Landscape Plan prior to issuance of Certificates of Occupancy for the site.
- 3. A note shall be placed on the preliminary plan, construction plan and the record plat that states, "Construction fencing shall be erected prior to any grading or construction activities preventing compaction of root systems of trees to be preserved. The fencing shall enclose the area beneath the dripline of the tree canopy and shall remain in place until all construction is completed. No parking, material storage, or construction activities shall be permitted within the fenced area."
- 4. Open space lots shall not be further subdivided or developed for any other use and shall remain as open space in perpetuity. A note to this effect shall be placed on the record plat.
- 5. All street signs shall be installed by the Developer, and shall conform with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) requirements. Street signs shall be installed prior to the recording of the subdivision record plat or occupancy of the first residence on the street, and shall be in place at the time of any required bond release. The address number shall be displayed on a structure prior to requesting a certificate of occupancy for that structure.
- 6. The developer shall be responsible for maintenance of all drainage facilities and undeveloped lots ensuring prevention of mosquito breeding, until such time as the drainage bond is released.
- 7. After release of the drainage bond, mosquito abatement on open space lots shall be the responsibility of the Homeowners Association. Accumulations of water in which mosquito larvae breed or have the potential to breed are required to be treated with a mosquito larvacide approved by the Louisville Metro Health Department. Larvacides shall be administered in accordance with the product's labeling. This language shall appear in the deed of restrictions for the subdivision.
- 8. Prior to the recording of the record plat, copies of the recorded documents listed below shall be filed with the Planning Commission.
 - 1. Articles of Incorporation in a form approved by Counsel for the Planning Commission and the Certificate of Incorporation of the Homeowners Association.
 - 2. A deed of restriction in a form approved by counsel of the Commission outlining responsibilities for the maintenance of open space.
 - 3. Bylaws of the Homeowners' Association in a form approved by Counsel for the Planning Commission.
- 9. The signature entrance shall be submitted to the Planning Commission staff for review and approval prior to recording the record plat.
- 10. A deed of consolidation or minor plat creating the proposed subdivision boundary will need to be recorded prior to recording of the record plat.

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| 11. | At the time the developer turns control of the homeowners association over to the homeowners the developer shall provide sufficient funds to ensure there is no less than \$3,000 cash in the homeowners association account. The subdivision performance bond may be required by the planning Commission to fulfill this funding requirement. |
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