

# PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

FROM: Planning & Zoning Department DATE: November 16, 2023

SUBJECT: PLAT23-0052 Consideration of a request from Spooner &

Associates for a replat of Lots 3E-R1 and 3E-R2, Block 1, Northeast Crossing Addition, being 2.827 acres located at 9020 Grand

Avenue.

PRESENTER: Clayton Comstock, Planning Director

### **SUMMARY:**

On behalf of the City of North Richland Hills, Spooner & Associates is requesting approval of a replat of Lots 3E-R1 and 3E-R2, Block 1, Northeast Crossing Addition. This 2.827-acre property is located at 9020 Grand Avenue.

## **GENERAL DESCRIPTION:**

The 2.827-acre property is located at the east corner of Walker Boulevard and Grand Avenue, across from the NRH Library and Stormy Plaza. The final plat is intended to create a lot for the construction of a four-story hotel with a maximum of 120 guest rooms and associated on-street and off-street parking areas and amenities. A special use permit and concept plan for the project was approved by City Council on November 14, 2022 (Ordinance 3766). A right-of-way dedication for Grand Avenue is also provided on the plat.

LAND USE PLAN: This area is designated on the Land Use Plan as Urban Village. This designation promotes sustainable, pedestrian-oriented, mixed-use development that provides the opportunity for many uses to coexist within a more compact area. Urban Villages encourage an efficient, compact land use pattern; support vibrant public spaces; reduce the reliance on private automobiles; promote a more functional and attractive community using recognized principles of urban design; allow flexibility in land use; and prescribe a high level of detail in building design and form. Urban Villages can come in the form of vertical mixed use, where multiple uses share a single, multi-story building; or horizontal mixed use, where a diverse set of uses are placed within close, walkable proximity.

**CURRENT ZONING:** The property is currently zoned TC (Town Center) and located in the Neighborhood Core subzone. This subzone is the densest business, service, and institutional center. It straddles thoroughfares at the most active intersections and is usually in walking distance of a substantial residential population. It allows for a mix of uses, including residential and nonresidential uses in the same building.



**TRANSPORTATION PLAN:** The development has frontage on the following streets. A right-of-way dedication of 0.5672 acres for Grand Avenue is provided on the replat.

STREET	FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION	LAND USE CONTEXT	DESIGN ELEMENTS
Walker Boulevard	C2U Minor Collector	Urban Village	2-lane undivided roadway 90-foot right-of-way width provided
Grand Avenue	R2U Local Road	Urban Village	2-lane undivided roadway 50-foot right-of-way width minimum

## **SURROUNDING ZONING | LAND USE:**

DIRECTION	ZONING	LAND USE PLAN	EXISTING LAND USE
NORTH	0-1 Office	Office	Vacant property
WEST	TC Town Center	Public / Semi-public	NRH Library
SOUTH	TC Town Center	Town Center	Venue at HomeTown apartments
EAST	C-2 Commercial	Retail	The Crossing shopping center

**PLAT STATUS:** A portion of the property is platted as Lot 3E, Block 1, Northeast Crossing Addition. The remainder of the property is unplatted.

**CITY COUNCIL:** The City Council will consider this request at the December 11, 2023, meeting following action by the Planning and Zoning Commission.

**DRC REVIEW & RECOMMENDATION:** The Development Review Committee (DRC) recommends approval of the plat subject to the attached DRC comments. These comments include revisions to notations and labeling on the drawing.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve PLAT23-0052 with the conditions outlined in the Development Review Committee comments.