

EXCERPTS
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION MEETING
COLUMBIA CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER
701 EAST BROADWAY, COLUMBIA, MO
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Case Number 182-2021

A request by Anderson Engineering (agent), on behalf of Discovery Park Apartments, LLC (owner), for approval of a PD Plan (Planned Development) amendment to the Discovery Park Subdivision Plat 4 PD Plan, most recently revised on July 20, 2020, that proposes to add pickleball courts as an amenity to the project plan. This 12.92-acre property is located on the west side of Nocona Parkway, approximately 1,500 feet south of Ponderosa Street.

MS. LOE: May we have a staff report, please.

Staff report was given by Mr. Pat Zenner of the Planning and Development Department. Staff recommends approval of the requested major amendment to the Discovery Park Subdivision Plat 4 PD plan.

MS. LOE: Thank you, Mr. Zenner. Before we move on to staff questions, I would like to ask any Commissioner who has had ex parte related to this case to please disclose that now so all Commissioners have the benefit from the same information related to the case in front of us. Seeing none. Any questions for staff? Seeing none. I'm going to open up the floor to public comment.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED

MS. LOE: If you can give your name and address for the record.

MR. WOOTEN: Good evening. Tom Wooten with Anderson Engineering, 4240 Phillips Farm Road, Columbia. I don't have anything to add to Mr. Zenner's presentation. I can answer any questions.

MS. LOE: How popular is pickleball?

MR. WOOTEN: I've never played it.

MS. LOE: Me either.

MR. WOOTEN: But I hear about it all the time.

MS. LOE: I do too. Any other questions? Ms. Carroll?

MS. CARROLL: This might be too broad of a question. Why -- why pickleball? I guess I'm a little bit surprised that you're doing a whole PD planned amendment for a pickleball court. I think it's great to provide that amenity. I'm curious.

MR. WOOTEN: Why the amendment or --

MS. LOE: Staff are requiring it?

MR. WOOTEN: Yeah. I mean, that's the short answer. I can't answer to the owner's desire to add this. It was something that came up after the original project was prepared, so what they wanted to

do, and we advised them that it would require a major amendment to the plan, and they said let's -- let's do it.

MS. LOE: And here we are.

MR. WOOTEN: And here we are.

MS. LOE: And Ms. Burns?

MS. BURNS: I just -- Commissioner Carroll, I, too, have been surprised about the explosion of pickleball around the city, but courts have been added at Albert Oakland. The city has, I think, three pickleball leagues. I think that there is a tournament coming here or was here this summer, so I think it's great that they're recognizing a popular activity and providing an opportunity for more people to play.

MS. LOE: Ms. Rushing?

MS. RUSHING: Mr. Zenner indicated that you would tell us the nature of the development. Are those townhouses?

MR. WOOTEN: Yes. Well, apartments, three-story, I believe. It's been a while. They are nearing completion as we speak. Two of the buildings will be, I understand, open in a couple of months if construction materials arrive, which is a challenge, but all four are under construction to some degree.

MS. LOE: Additional questions for Mr. Wooten? I see none. Thank you.

MR. WOOTEN: Thank you.

MS. LOE: Ms. Dokken, any comments? No. Okay. We're going to close public comment.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

MS. LOE: Commission comment? Mr. MacMann?

MR. MACMANN: If my fellow Commissioners have no further commentary, the matter of Case 182-2021, a major amendment to the PD Plan -- Plat 4 PD Plan, Park Subdivision, I move to approve. I mumbled that. Did everyone get that? Sorry.

MS. LOE: Move to approve. Is there a second?

MS. BURNS: Second.

MS. LOE: Ms. Burns beat you to it. Ms. Burns seconded. Any discussion on the motion on the floor? Seeing none. May we have roll call, please.

Roll Call Vote (Voting "yes" is to recommend approval.)

Voting Yes: Ms. Loe, Ms. Burns, Ms. Rushing, Mr. MacMann, Ms. Placier, Ms. Kimbell, Ms. Carroll. Motion carries 7-0-1.

MS. CARROLL: We have seven to approve and one abstention. The motion carries.

MS. LOE: Recommendation for approval will be forwarded to City Council.