

Meeting Announcement and Agenda of the Cambridge Planning Commission City Hall Council Chambers Regular Meeting, Tuesday, April 7, 2020, 6:00 pm

Members of the audience are encouraged to follow the agenda. When addressing the Commission, please state your name and address for the official record.

	AGENDA		
1.	Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance		
2.	Approval of Agenda (p. 1)		
3.	Approval of Minutes A. March 4, 2020 Regular Meeting (p. 3)		
4.	New Business		
	 A. PUBLIC HEARING – Preliminary Plat Parkwood on the Lakes 5th Addition (p. 9) B. Final Plat Parkwood on the Lakes 5th Addition (p. 9) 		
5.	Other Business/Miscellaneous A. City Council Update B. Parks, Trails, and Recreation Commission (PTRC) Update		
6.	Adjourn		

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Cambridge Planning Commission Meeting Minutes Wednesday, March 4, 2020

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the Cambridge Planning Commission was held at Cambridge City Hall, $300 - 3^{rd}$ Avenue NE, Cambridge, Minnesota.

Members Present: Commissioners Aaron Berg (Chair), Robert Boese (Vice Chair), Monte Dybvig,

Jessica Kluck, David Redfield, and Bob Shogren (City Council Representative).

Arianna Weiler (arrived at 7:33 p.m.).

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Community Development Director Marcia Westover.

Call To Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Berg called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and led the public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Boese moved, seconded by Dybvig to approve the agenda. Wotton passed 6/0.

Approval of Minutes

February 4, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes

Redfield moved, seconded by Boese, to approve the February 4, 2020 meeting minutes. Motion passed 6/0.

Public Comment

Berg opened the public comment period at 7:02 pm and, without any comments, closed the public comment period at 7:04 pm

New Business

Public Hearing - Variance for Menards Gate Drive Lane

Westover stated staff received a request by Menard, Inc., 5101 Menard Drive, Eau Claire, WI 54703, for a variance.

Westover stated Menards, located at 2355 2nd Avenue SE, Cambridge, MN, is requesting a setback variance. Menards is proposing an additional drive lane on the west side of their existing gated guard shack area that would house a self-serve kiosk pedestal for online orders. Westover explained the existing gated guard shack will remain in place for those who order at the store and the new drive lane and kiosk will be fully automated for online orders only.

Westover stated Menard, Inc. locations all over the country are adding this new entrance lane and with the uptick of self-serving automated purchases, this new drive lane serves the shopping trend that ensures Menards offers the best possible service.

Westover stated site constraints are a concern and the only way to add this drive lane requires a variance. The drive lane will abut the property line. A zero lot line setback variance is being requested. Westover explained City code requires a 5' setback to any driveways or pavement. A 3' poured concrete wall is proposed to be built on the property line to keep vehicles off of the adjacent property (Walmart) and will also guide stormwater to the appropriate locations and not affect Walmart.

Westover stated the concern with this request is the setback and the drive lane being built in an existing drainage and utility easement. While the proposed wall and stormwater drainage is acceptable to the City Engineer, there is concern that Walmart could propose the same or similar variance request. Therefore, Westover explained a condition has been applied to the variance that if the adjacent property (Walmart) does propose a setback variance, that the two property owners work together to provide appropriate drainage along the easement areas.

Westover stated the purpose of the Variance process is to review applications on a case by case basis to determine whether relief may be granted from unforeseen particular applications of the zoning code that create practical difficulties. Westover stated in considering an application for a variance, the Planning Commission shall recommend the approval of the variance only upon the findings that the application complies with the standards as identified in the Resolution. Westover noted that the standards can be met as identified in the Resolution.

Tyler Edwards, the real estate representative for Menards, stated a few years ago, Menards added an online pick up area to the back of the store. Edwards stated customers can shop online and within an hour, their order is ready to be picked up at the store through this pickup area. However, it caused some delays getting in the gate to pick up their orders which caused some dissatisfaction with the speed of picking up ordered materials at the store. A solution was to add another entrance lane added at the gate, consisting of one bar that lifts up, allowing customers to scan their code, notifying the pickup area of your arrival, the order is loaded into your vehicle and you can leave. This helps with the satisfaction of online shopping as it is hard for Menards to compete due to the large size of their home improvement products.

Edwards explained this addition is just 150 more square feet of pavement west of the existing curb line. This area is already fenced in with a chain link fence. The pavement will be extended over the existing pavement up to the edge with curb and gutter on the Menards side and the curb continues down to meet the ground elevation, about two or three feet along that entire drive area. This is not increasing the existing traffic to the store; it is just getting everyone in and out faster when using the online program. Walmart does know this is occurring and they have no objections. Menards has checked with the city engineer and have approval from the pipeline company and seem to have checked all the boxes.

Shogren asked if customers drive in the new lane and exit in the existing exit lane.

Edwards stated yes, customers still have to use the exit lane as this is a theft and security measure to allow an employee to check the car to make sure products not in the order were placed in the vehicle.

Boese asked Edwards to estimate how many orders Menards has delivered this way now.

Edwards stated it is hard to estimate but there is never a line; this is really a convenience factor.

Boese clarified with Edwards there will be two lanes going in and one coming out. Edwards confirmed this to be true.

Kluck asked on average, how long does it take for a vehicle to be looked at while they are exiting?

Edwards stated as long as it takes for the security employee to open your vehicle door, scan the receipt and view the items in your vehicle.

Redfield asked if there is any written documentation regarding the agreement between Menards and Walmart in case Walmart needs a variance in the future?

Edwards replied, not exactly as it would be pretty hard to get Walmart to put this in writing. Menards had originally requested to build a roof structure over the on-line kiosk but Walmart denied them at this Cambridge location since it interferes with Walmart's future building additions, if needed, referencing state building code restrictions.

Berg opened the public hearing at 7:14 pm.

Sandra Kristy, 315 Roosevelt St S, Cambridge, MN, shared her concerns about the 3' fence being added and her concerns regarding both Menards and Walmart continuing to expand in the future and how that may affect their property values. Westover clarified the fence and poured concrete wall is on the west side adjacent to Walmart, not on the south side adjacent to the residential townhomes.

Hearing no further comments. Berg closed the public rearing at 7:16 pm.

Berg confirmed that the seven standards have been met Commissioners discussed the seven standards.

Shogren moved, seconded by Boese, to recommend the City Council approve the resolution as presented to allow a zero-lot line setback long drive lane for Menard, Inc. Motion carried 6/0.

Public Hearing Interim Use Permit for The Farm Mini Storage

Westover stated staff received a request by Craig Rabenberg, The Farm Mini Storage, 30925 County Road 5 NW, Princeton, MN 55371, for an Interim Use Permit.

Westover stated Mr. Rabenberg is requesting a mini storage facility at 315 Cleveland Street S, Cambridge, MN. The property is zoned I-2 Light Industrial District. The definition of Light Industrial is: "The light industrial district is intended to allow light industrial uses that are free from objectionable features, or whose objectionable features are limited and can be eliminated by design, screening and other appropriate devices."

Westover stated mini storage is allowed with an Interim Use Permit (IUP) in the I-2 Light Industrial and I-3 General Industrial districts. The purpose of the IUP is to allow a use that reasonably utilizes the property for a limited period of time or allow a use that is presently acceptable but with anticipated

development or other changes will not be acceptable in the future. IUP's terminate upon a specific date, but can be extended upon reapplication before the Planning Commission and City Council.

Westover explained staff find mini storage reasonably utilizes this property and staff do not anticipate any development or other changes to this area in the near future. Staff find the proposed mini storage facility is free from objectionable features. Industrial districts are preferred locations for mini-storage and no outdoor storage is proposed. All storage will be housed within the buildings. The site plan provided appears to meet the intent of the zoning code with a few modifications needed during the site plan review process. A condition of approval is that the site plan review process is completed prior to issuance of a building permit.

Westover stated staff has been discussing the exterior materials with the owner/applicant. Westover stated no decision has been made on what materials will be used. If the owner does not meet City code and proceeds with all steel siding, a variance will be required. If the owner meets the code, no variance will be needed. A condition has been added to reflect the exterior materials compliance.

Westover stated an existing mini storage facility is developed just south of this site on Cleveland Street S. Other uses in the area include manufacturing/warehouse, outdoor propane storage, and auto body. The area to the north, south, east, and west is zoned I-2 Light Industrial district. The westerly property line is bordered by unimproved Railroad Street S.

Westover explained as with all Interim Use Permits, a timeline and other conditions need to be met. This allows the City to review the use and determine if any unexpected concerns arise from the use and to determine if the area has gone through significant changes to signify the end of the use as mini storage. If approved, the following are the conditions identified: (1.) The Interim Use Permit shall discontinue after five (5) years from the date of approval. The applicant must re-apply for an extension prior to the expiration date. (2.) The Interim Use Permit for mini-storage is not transferrable and shall only be used by The Farm Mini Storage, Craig Rabenberg. (3.) The Site Plan Review approval process must be complete prior to building permit issuance. (4.) Exterior materials need to be in compliance with City Code or receive a variance for approval of other materials prior to issuance of a building permit. (5.) No outdoor storage is allowed.

Westover stated staffind the use compatible with the surrounding areas.

Ryan Anderson of ISG, representing the applicant as the Civil Engineer of the project, stated they are excited to start construction on this project this summer. Final revisions to the site plan have yet to be approved but they are working on this with City staff. Anderson stated if a variance is required, they will return with that request.

Dyvbig asked how many units there will be and how deep the units will be?

Anderson responded there are proposing four buildings, 350 feet long and 10 feet wide and there will be approximately 120 units. The units will be 20 feet deep with combination doors on both the front and back side of the building.

Berg opened the public hearing at 7:26 pm. No one appeared so Berg closed the public hearing at 7:27 pm.

Shogren asked Westover what the issues are that still need to be worked out with the applicant?

Westover stated the issues are mostly engineering concerns, including driveway aprons, curb, erosion control at the curb spillway, standard items from the City Engineer, emergency overflows for the storm ponds, construction stormwater permit needed, minor planning issues including exterior, height of the fence, a different tree species and the lighting.

Shogren asked whether any of these issues are being contested by applicant.

Westover responded that it is standard administrative plan review with requests and letters going back and forth. New plans with comments will be submitted addressing these issues until requirements are satisfied.

Shogren asked if these are issues that the City Engineer will approve or disapprove.

Westover stated yes, the applicant will revise the civil plans and provide a corrected civil plan that the City Engineer will approve.

Shogren moved, seconded by Dybvig, to recommend City Council approve the resolution as presented to allow an Interim Use Permit for The Farm Mini Storage located at 315 Cleveland Street S, Cambridge, MN contingent on the stated conditions being met.

Redfield inquired about the name on the Interim Use Permit being The Farm Mini Storage, Craig Rabenberg possibly transferring to other individuals under The Farm name.

Berg asked how are variances typically issued, are they put in the applicant's name, the property owner's name or the business name?

Westover stated it is rare to have an actual business name and typically it is the applicant's or the owner's name.

Berg stated the assumption is that the variance is granted to the owner of the property.

Westover stated it is good that this is clarified now so it doesn't become an issue in the future.

Commissioner Weiler arrived at the meeting at 7:33 pm.

Berg stated a motion to amend the resolution is needed. Redfield made a motion, Dybvig seconded, to amend the motion, to change the name to Craig Rabenberg and not include The Mini Farm Storage. Motion on the amendment carried 7/0.

Motion and a second on approval of variance including the amendment. Motion carried 7/0.

Other Business/Miscellaneous

City Council Update

City Council Representative Shogren gave an update on the previous City Council meeting.

Parks, Trails, and Recreation Commission Update

Westover updated the Commission on the Parks Commission. The City has received a grant from the Bernick Family Foundation for \$22,750 for the Parkwood Park improvements. This grant is for exercise equipment, ADA accessible equipment including a swing, fitness stations, shuffleboard, benches and trees. Westover stated this will be a nice addition to the area.

ATTEST: Adjournment Being no further business before the Commission, Shogren moved, seconded by Boese, to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 pm. Motion passed 7/0. Aaron Berg, Chair Cambridge Planning Commissioner

ATTEST:

Marcia Westover
Community Development Director

April 7, 2020

PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PLAT...PARKWOOD ON THE LAKES 5TH ADDITION...INH PROPERTIES...

Request

A request by INH Properties, 175 7th Avenue S, Waite Park, MN 56387, to request a preliminary and final plat.

Overview

INH Properties is preparing to build a new 36-unit apartment building located at 2000 11th Avenue SE (to be called Roosevelt Gardens Phase II). This site is just south of the first phase of Roosevelt Gardens currently being constructed. The site is currently a vacant parcel and was originally platted as an Outlot with the Parkwood on the Lakes plat in 2003. Parcels are typically platted as an Outlot until such time the developer plans to build on that parcel; developers typically build in phases. All Outlots must be platted (into a lot and block legal description prior to any building permits being issued.

The total lot area is 1.98 acres. The property is currently zoned R-3 Multiple Family Residence district. A multiple family apartment building is a permitted use. The properties to the north and west are also zoned R-3 Multiple Family Residence district. The properties to the east and south are zoned R-1 One Family Residence district.

The preliminary and final plats have been reviewed by staff and are complete. Preliminary and final plats can be reviewed simultaneously when no new public infrastructure is required. All public infrastructure is in place for this site.

A Site Plan Review is currently being done by city staff for the multiple family site. This is done administratively and not reviewed by the Planning Commission or Council. Site Plan Review consists of planning, public works, engineering, and building preliminary review. During this process, staff obtains information and plans to review the property's buildability and city code standards.

Planning Commission Action

A public hearing must be held for the preliminary plat. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic this meeting is being held through electronic means. Staff will be monitoring facebook live for any relevant comments that can be addressed by the Commission. Staff also prepared a public notice asking for comments and/or feedback via email, telephone, or written correspondence.

A motion on the attached resolutions, as may be modified by the Commission, recommending approval of the proposed preliminary and final plat for Parkwood on the Lakes 5th Addition as long as the following conditions are met.

1. Site Plan Review must be completed and approved by the city prior to building permit issuance.

Item #4A and #4B Planning Commission Parkwood on the Lakes 5th Addition Preliminary and Final Plat

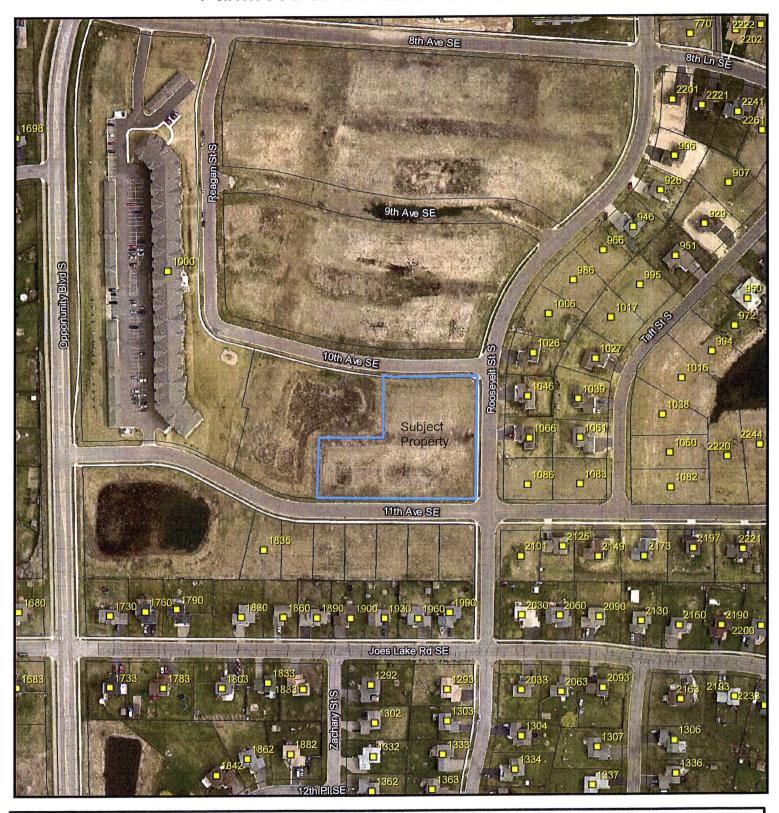
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2. All state, local, and federal permits and applications must be completed and submitted by the applicant and all approvals from each agency must be met.

Attachments

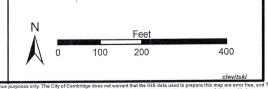
- 1. Location Map
- 2. Preliminary Plat
- 3. Final Plat
- 4. Resolutions

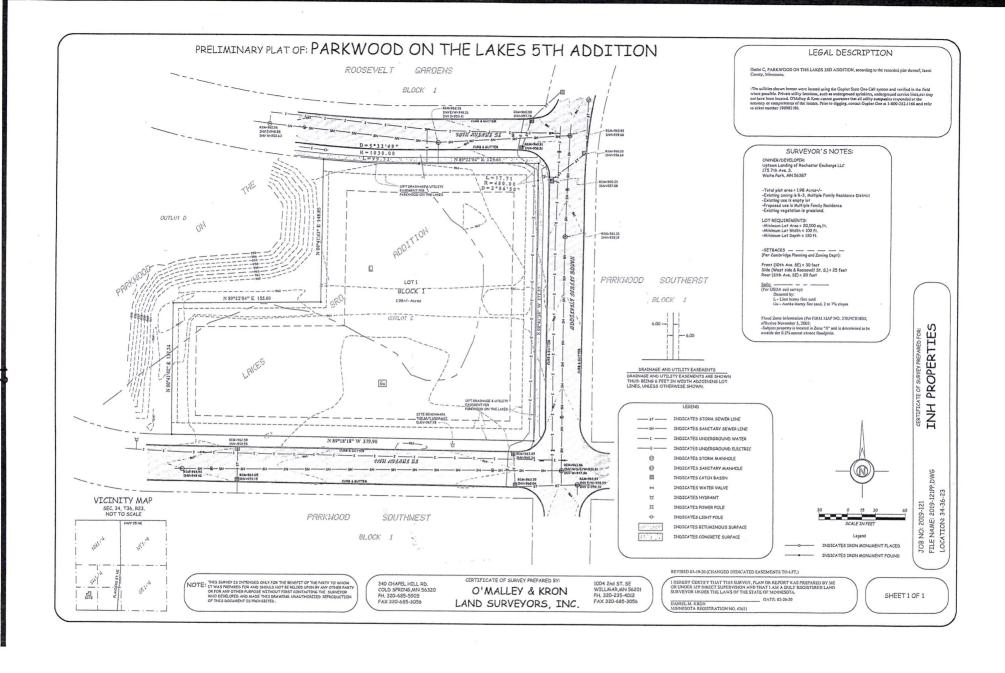
Preliminary and Final Plat Parkwood on the Lakes 5th Addition

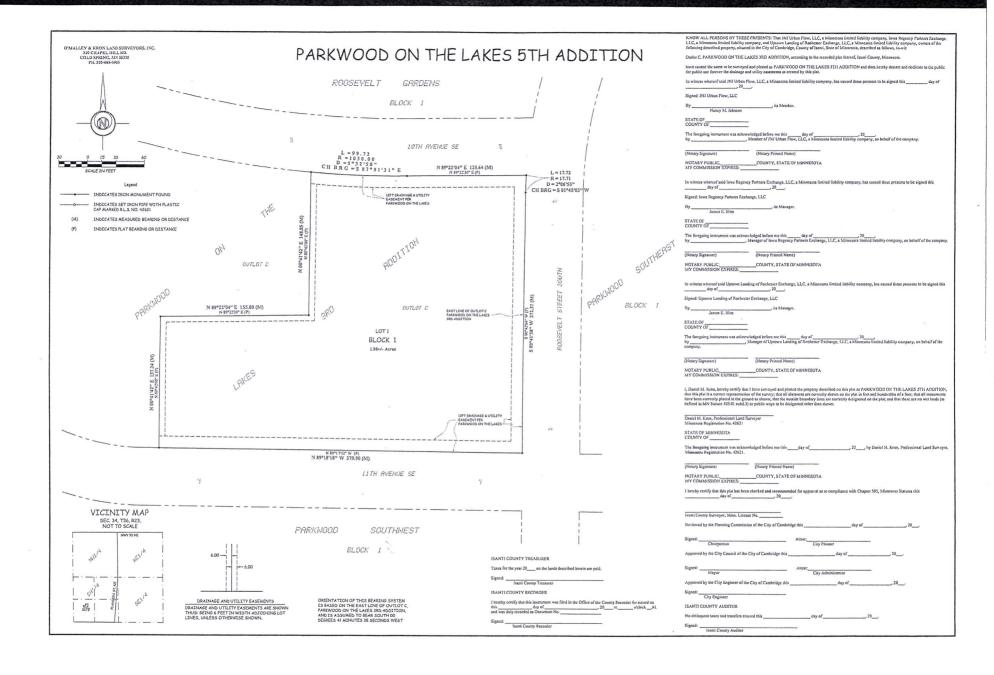




The request by INH Properties for a preliminary and final plat of Parkwood on the Lakes 5th Addition. The parcel is currently an outlot. There will be no changes to the size or shape of the lot







Resolution No. R20-XXX

RESOLUTION APPROVING A PRELIMINARY PLAT PARKWOOD ON THE LAKES 5TH ADDITION (2000 11TH AVE SE, ROOSEVELT GARDENS PHASE II)

WHEREAS, INH Properties, 175 7th Ave S, Waite Park, MN 56387 is the owner of the property located at:

Outlot C, Parkwood on the Lakes 3rd Addition, Isanti County, Minnesota

Is requesting a Preliminary Plat; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Agency of the City has completed a review of the application and made a report pertaining to said request, a copy of which has been presented to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission of the City, on the 7th day of April 2020, following proper notice, held a public hearing to review the request; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission made a recommendation to approve said request, and it was brought forward for City Council consideration as long as the following conditions can be met:

- 1. Site Plan Review must be completed and approved by the city prior to building permit issuance.
- 2. All state, local, and federal permits and applications must be completed and submitted by the applicant and all approvals from each agency must be met.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of Cambridge, Minnesota, approves the proposed Preliminary Plat.

Adopted by the Cambridge City Council

This 20th day of April 2020

ATTEST:	Jim Godfrey, Mayor	
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Lynda J. Woulfe, City Administrator		

Resolution No. R20-XXX

RESOLUTION APPROVING A FINAL PLAT PARKWOOD ON THE LAKES 5TH ADDITION (2000 11TH AVE SE, ROOSEVELT GARDENS PHASE II)

WHEREAS, INH Properties, 175 7th Ave S, Waite Park, MN 56387 is the owner of the property located at:

Outlot C, Parkwood on the Lakes 3rd Addition, Isanti County, Minnesota

Is requesting a Final Plat; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Agency of the City has completed a review of the application and made a report pertaining to said request, a copy of which has been presented to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission of the City, on the 7th day of April 2020, held a meeting to review the request; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission made a recommendation to approve said request, and it was brought forward for City Council consideration as long as the following conditions can be met:

- 1. Site Plan Review must be completed and approved by the city prior to building permit issuance.
- 2. All state, local, and federal permits and applications must be completed and submitted by the applicant and all approvals from each agency must be met.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of Cambridge, Minnesota, approves the proposed Final Plat.

Adopted by the Cambridge City Council

This 20th day of April 2020

ATTEST:	Jim Godfrey, Mayor	
Lynda J. Woulfe, City Administrator		