

SUBDIVISION REPORT - FINAL PLAT

► FILE #: 4-SC-24-F AGENDA ITEM #: 5

AGENDA DATE: 4/11/2024

► SUBDIVISION: RESUBDIVISION OF LOTS 23-26 SPARKS MEADOW SUBDIVISION

► APPLICANT/DEVELOPER: SCOTT WILLIAMS

OWNER(S): Ron Worley Worley Builders Inc.

TAX IDENTIFICATION: 91 G B 023, 024, 025, 026 <u>View map on KGIS</u>

JURISDICTION: County Commission District 6

STREET ADDRESS: 3525 Sparks Scenic Way (3533, 3532, 3524 Sparks Scenic Way)

► LOCATION: At the northern terminus of Sparks Scenic Way

SECTOR PLAN: Northwest County

GROWTH POLICY PLAN: Planned Growth Area

WATERSHED: Beaver Creek

▶ APPROXIMATE ACREAGE: 12.7244 acres

► NUMBER OF LOTS: 4

ZONING: PR (Planned Residential)

SURVEYOR/ENGINEER: Scott Williams W. Scott Williams & Associates

► VARIANCES REQUIRED: Allowing a shared permanent access easement to connect to a private

right-of-way instead of a public street.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the variance for plat approval to have a shared permanent access easement connect to a private right-of-way, based on the following evidence of hardship.

- 1. Lots 23R, 24R, 25R and 26R abut the cul-de-sac at the rear of the subdivision on Sparks Scenic Way. All four lots have road frontage along the private right-of-way, but due to the steep hillside, they do not have traversable pedestrian and vehicular access. To access the private right-of-way, lots 23R, 24R, 25R and 26R will need to share a driveway.
- 2. The slopes in the hillside at the rear of Sparks Meadow subdivision pose a challenge in creating individual access to the private right-of-way. A shared permanent access easement would allow these 4 lots safe access to the private right-of-way via a singular driveway.
- 3. It is not for financial reasons that the variance is being requested. There is a ridge at the rear of this development. Because of the steep slopes Lots 23R, 24R, 25R, and 26R have access challenges that other lots within the development do not have.
- 4. Granting of the variance would not be detrimental to the public safety, health, or welfare of the public, nor would it be injurious to other properties in the neighborhood. All lots have at least 25 feet of road frontage on the private right-of-way, but due to topographical challenges, a shared permanent access easement must be created for Lots 23R, 24R, and 25R and 26R.

Approve the final plat for the resubdivision of four lots in the PR (Planned Residential) zone.

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COMMENTS:

The Final Plat of the Sparks Meadow S/D (10-SB-24-F), a 39-lot development, was recorded in February of 2024 (202402220040513). This plat is for the resubdivision of 4 lots at the rear of the development (Lots 23R, 24R, 25R, and 26R). Lots 23, 24, and 25 have been reconfigured to exclude the wetland areas. The conservation easement at the rear will be common area and no longer a part of Lot 24 or 25. After this plat was recorded, it became apparent that even though all lots have at least 25 ft of road frontage along Sparks Scenic Way, they do not have traversable access due to the steep slopes along these lots.

VARIANCE FROM SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS, ARTICLE 3.03, ACCESS STANDARDS, SUBSECTION A:

All lots shall have either frontage on a public street in accordance with Article 3.03.B of these Regulations or approved access to a public street by ONE of the following:

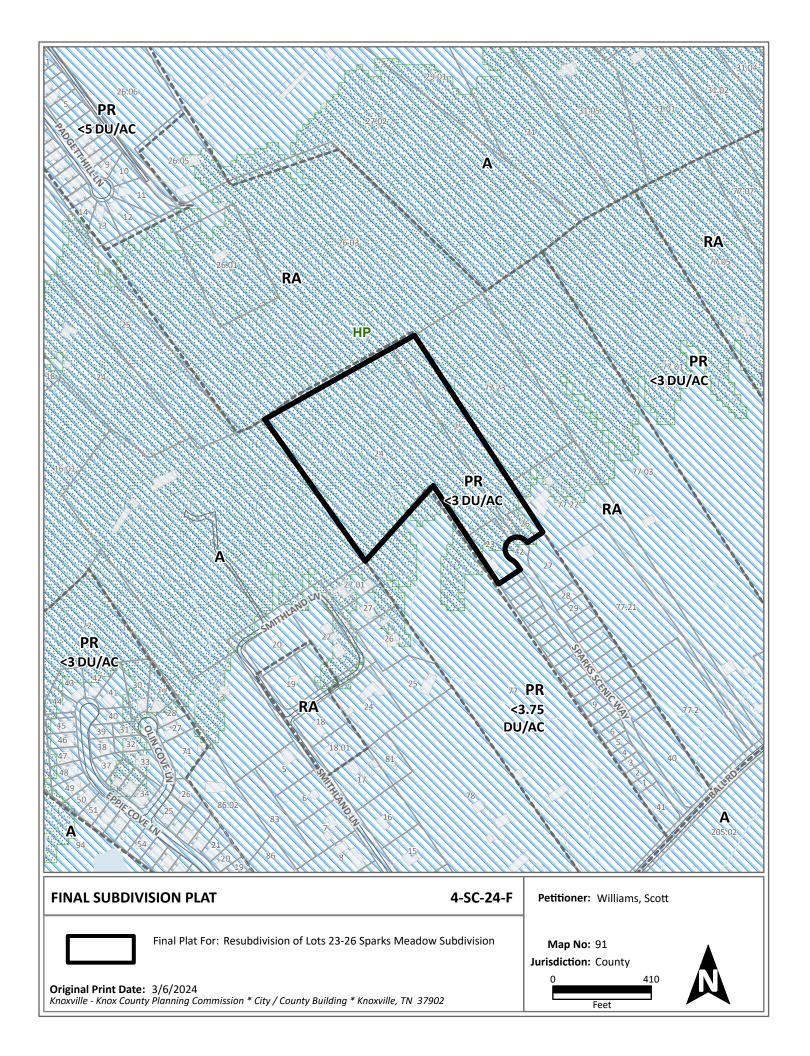
- 1. Access to a public street by an approved exclusive permanent access easement;
- 2. Access to a public street by an approved shared permanent access easement;
- 3. Access to a public street by an approved private right-of-way;
- 4. Access to a public street by a previously approved joint permanent easement;
- 5. Access to a public street by an approved permanent cross access easement;
- 6. Access provided to a public street through some other legally binding document approved by the Planning Commission.

Such access shall provide a readily apparent physical means of traversable pedestrian and vehicular access from the lot(s) onto the street and shall meet the standards in Article 3.03, Sub Sections B-G.

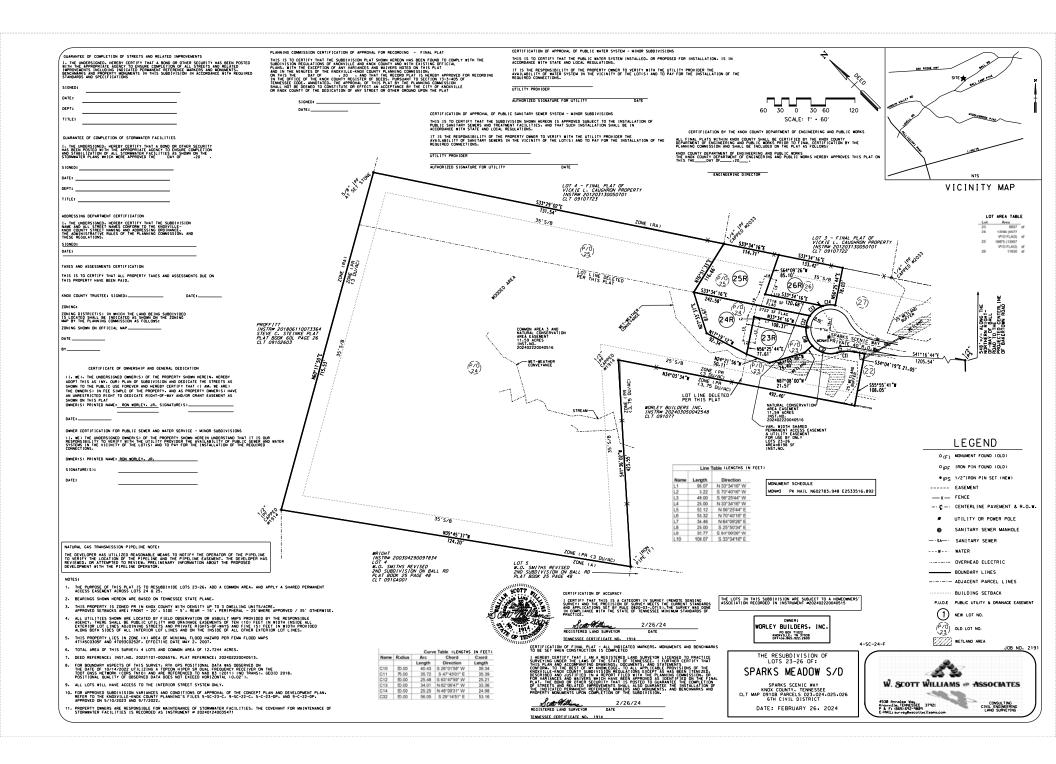
In this case, Lots 23R, 24R, 25R, and 26R will have access to a public street by combining 2 of the options: a shared permanent access easement and the private right-of-way, Sparks Scenic Way. Because of the steep slopes in the rear of this development, a shared driveway will be necessary for these 4 lots to access the private right-of-way.

Knoxville-Knox County Planning Commission's approval or denial of this request is final, unless the action is appealed to Knoxville-Knox County Planning Commission. The date of the Knoxville-Knox County Planning Commission appeal hearing will depend on when the appeal application is filed.

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Variances

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HARDSHIP CONDITIONS TO BE MET:

- Conditions Required: Where the Planning Commission finds that extraordinary hardships or particular difficulties may result from the strict compliance with these regulations, they may grant, by way of application, variations to the Subdivision Regulations, subject to specified conditions, so that substantial justice may be done and the public interest secured, provided that such variations shall not have the effect of nullifying the intent and purpose of these regulations or the comprehensive plan.
- 2 Evidence of Hardship Required: The Planning Commission shall not grant variations to the Subdivision Regulations unless they make findings based upon the evidence presented to them in each specific case that:
 - a. Because of the particular surroundings, shape, or topographical conditions of the specific property involved, a particular hardship to the owner would result, as distinguished from a mere inconvenience, if the strict letter of the regulations were adhered to.
 - b. The conditions upon which the request for a variation is based is unique to the property for which the variation is sought and is not applicable, generally, to other property, and has not been created by any person having an interest in the property.
 - c. The purpose of the variation is not based exclusively upon a desire for financial gain.
 - d. The granting of the variation will not be detrimental to the public safety, health, or welfare, or injurious to other property or improvements in the neighborhood in which the property is located.

By signing this form, I certify that the criteria for a variance have been met for each request, and that any and all requests needed to meet the Subdivision Regulations are requested above or are attached. I understand and agree that no additional variances can be acted upon by the legislative body upon appeal and none will be requested.

SCOTT WILLIAMS

2-26-24

Signature

Printed Name

Date

It is the applicant's responsibility to identify the hardship that would result, as distinguished from a mere inconvenience, if the strict letter of the regulations was adhered to. Each of the variance criteria must be addressed in the comments below with specific facts regarding the unique details of the property and/or project, as applicable.

1. VARIANCE REQUESTED:

To have a Shared Permanent Access Easement connnect to a private right-of-way (3.03.A.)

Specify the hardship that would result for each of the variance criteria:

A. Pertaining to the particular surroundings, shape, or topographical conditions of the subject property:

Due to the steep hillside, Lots 23 & 26 can be better accessed by joint driveway in rear of lots. Allowing the house pad elevations on these lots to be higher allows for more natural area preservation and better grade tie-in with adjacent property.

- B. Pertaining to conditions unique to the property that are not applicable to other property and has
 not been created by any person having an interest in the property.
 The topography in this area is naturally increasing in slope as you travel from South to
 North.
- C. Pertaining to the purpose of the variation is not based exclusively upon a desire for financial gain.

This is not based exclusively upon a desire for financial gain.

D. Pertaining to the granting of a variance will not be detrimental to public safety, health, or welfare, or injurious to other property or improvements in the neighborhood in which the property is located.

Granting this variance prevents steep driveways for Lots 26 and 26 at the culdesac allowing for safer access.

To be completed by the City or County Department of Engineering, as applicable:

Engineering supports the variance requested (to be completed during review process): YES $\sqrt{}$ NO \square Engineering Comments:

Knox County Engineering su[pports this variance based on applicants justification.

Steve Elliott

Updated: January 10, 2024



Development Request

	DEVELOPMENT	SUBDIVISION	ZONING		
Plannin	Development Plan	☐ Concept Plan	☐ Plan Amendment		
Plannin	☐ Planned Development	✓ Final Plat	☐ Sector Plan		
KNOXVILLE I KNOX COUNTY	\square Use on Review / Special Use		☐ One Year Plan		
	☐ Hillside Protection COA		Rezoning		
Scott Williams					
Applicant Name		Affiliatio	on		
2/27/2024	4/11/2024	4-SC-24-F			
Date Filed	Meeting Date (if applicable)	File Number(s)			
CORRESPONDENCE	All correspondence related to this application s	hould be directed to the (approved contact listed below.		
Scott Williams W. Scott Willia					
Name / Company					
4530 Annalee Way Knoxville	TN 37921				
Address					
865-692-9809 / wscottwill@c	omcast.net				
Phone / Email					
CURRENT PROPERTY IN	FO				
Ron Worley Worley Builders I	nc. P.O. Box 71022 Knoxville TN 379	38	865-922-2600 / worleybuildersr		
Owner Name (if different)	Owner Address	Owner Phone / Email			
3525 Sparks Scenic Way / 353	33, 3532, 3524 Sparks Scenic Way				
Property Address					
91 G B 023, 024, 025, 026			12.7244 acres		
Parcel ID	Part of F	Parcel (Y/N)?	Tract Size		
West Knox Utility District	West Knox Utility I	District	No		
Sewer Provider	Water Provider		Septic (Y/N)		
STAFF USE ONLY					
At the terminus of Sparks Sce	nic Way				
General Location					
City Commission District	6 PR (Planned Residential)				
✓ County District	Zoning District	Existin	g Land Use		
Northwest County		Planne	d Growth Area		
Planning Sector	Sector Plan Land Use Classification	Growth	Policy Plan Designation		

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DEVELOPMENT REQUEST						
☐ Development Plan ☐ Planı☐ Hillside Protection COA	ned Development	☐ Use on ☐ Residen	Review / Special Use	lential	Related City	Permit Number(s)
Home Occupation (specify)						
Other (specify)						
SUBDIVSION REQUEST						
Resubdivision of Lots 23-26 Spar	rks Meadow Subdir	vision			Related Rezo	oning File Number
Proposed Subdivision Name						
			4			
Unit / Phase Number	Resub Parcels		Total Number of Lot	s Created		
Additional Information						
Attachments / Additional Requ	uirements					
ZONING REQUEST						
Zoning Change					Pending P	at File Number
Proposed Zoi	ning					
Plan Amendment Proposed P						
Proposed P	lan Designation(s)					
Proposed Density (units/acre)	Previous Zoning Red	quests				
Additional Information						
STAFF USE ONLY						
PLAT TYPE				Fee 1		Total
☐ Staff Review ✓ Plannir	ng Commission			\$940.00		
ATTACHMENTS	_					
Property Owners / Option Hole		ce Request		Fee 2		
ADDITIONAL REQUIREMEN COA Checklist (Hillside Protect						
☐ Design Plan Certification (Final				Fee 3		
Site Plan (Development Reque	st)					
☐ Traffic Impact Study☐ Use on Review / Special Use (€	`oncent Plan)					
AUTHORIZATION	oneept rian;					
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I declare under penalty of perjur all associated materials are being				er of the pro	perty, AND 2) tr	ie application and
	Scott Willia					2/27/2024
Applicant Signature	Please Prin	t				Date
Phone / Email						
	Ron Worle	y Worley Buil	ders Inc.			2/27/2024
Property Owner Signature	Please Prin	t				Date

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Development Request
DEVELOPMENT SUBDIVISION ZONING

Planning KNOXVILLE I KNOX COUNTY	☐ Planned Developmen ☐ Use on Review / Spec ☐ Hillside Protection CC	nt 🙀 Fin cial Use	nal Plat	☐ Plan Amendment ☐ SP ☐ OYP ☐ Rezoning		
W. SCOTT WILLIAM	S+ASSOCIATES		SUN	reyor		
Applicant Name	<u></u>			Affiliation		
2/26/2024	4/11/2024			File Number(s)		
Date Filed	Meeting Date (if appl	icable)	•	4-SC-24-F		
CORRESPONDENCE	All correspondence related to this	application should be	directed to the ap	pproved contact listed bel	low.	
Applicant Property Own	er 🗌 Option Holder 🔲 Pro	ject Surveyor 🔲 En	gineer	tect/Landscape Architec	t	
SCOTT WILLIAMS		W.SCOTT WI	LLIAMS+ A	ASSOCIATES		
Name		Company				
4530 Annalee Wa	u	knoxville	M	37921		
Address	9	City	State	ZIP		
865-692-9809 Phone	WSCOTT WILL	@comcast.i	NET			
CURRENT PROPERTY INFO						
Property Address Property Address Property Address	t) Property Ow	ner Address	17.09 ⁰⁹¹⁰	865-922-2 Property Owner Phone BB023,24,25&26		
WKUD Sewer Provider		ter Provider		Septic	(Y/N)	
STAFF USE ONLY						
N. of Ball Rd, NW. of B	akertown Rd.		12.72	44 ac.		
General Location			Tract S	ize		
6	PR <3 DU/AC	AaF	orVac			
☐ City ☑ County ☐ District	Zoning District		ing Land Use			
Northwest County	LDR/HP		Plan	ned Growth		
Planning Sector	100 m 100 00 00 00 00 00	Sector Plan Land Use Classification		Growth Policy Plan Designation		

DEVELOPMENT REQUEST					
☐ Residential ☐ Non-Reside	Development Plan Use on Review / Special Use Hillside Protection COA Residential Non-Residential ome Occupation (specify)			Related City Permit Number(s)	
Other (specify)					
SUBDIVISION REQUEST					
Final Plat of Re-subdivision of Lots 2 Proposed Subdivision Name	3-26 Sparks Mead	ow S/D		Related Rez	oning File Number
Unit / Phase Number		Number of Lots	Created		
VI Other (specify) SPAE Va	riance request				
☐ Attachments / Additional Requireme	ents				
ZONING REQUEST					
				Pending F	Plat File Number
Zoning Change Proposed Zoning					
☐ Plan Amendment Change					
	ed Plan Designation(s)				
Proposed Density (units/acre)	Previous Rezoning Requests				
Other (specify)					
STAFF USE ONLY					
PLAT TYPE		Fee 1			Total
☐ Staff Review ☐ Planning Comm	nission	0202	202 \$500		
ATTACHMENTS		Fee 2	4000		
☐ Property Owners / Option Holders	☐ Variance Request	1662			\$940.00
ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS	2	0205	\$250		φο 10.00
☐ Design Plan Certification (Final Plat)☐ Use on Review / Special Use (Conce		Fee 3			
☐ Traffic Impact Study	2.1.14.7				
☐ COA Checklist (Hillside Protection)		0208	\$190		
AUTHORIZATION					
I declare under penalty of perjury the	foregoing is true and correct:				
1) He/she/it is the owner of the propert	y AND 2) The application and all associo	ited materials are	being submit	ed with his/he.	r/its consent
South M. Olice	SCOTT WILL!	N 44 C		2-26-2	ગ્પ
Applicant Signature	Please Print	HIVIS		Date	
865-692-9809	WSOTTWILL	OCOMCAST.	NET		
Phone Number	Email				
				2/26/	24 SS
Property Owner Signature	Please Print			Date Pa	iid



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