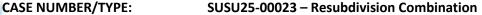
## Richmar Unit 4 Replat A

City Plan Commission — March 27, 2025



CASE MANAGER: Myrna Aguilar, (915) 212-1584, AguilarMP@elpasotexas.gov

**PROPERTY OWNER:** Anne Brock and John Russell Kocian

**REPRESENTATIVE:** Conde, Inc.

LOCATION: West of Cotton St. and North of Murchison Dr. (District 8)

PROPERTY AREA: 1.18 acres
VESTED RIGHTS STATUS: Not Vested
PARK FEES: \$5,480.00

**EXCEPTIONS/MODIFICATIONS:** Yes, see following section

**ZONING DISTRICT(S):** R-4 (Residential)

**PUBLIC INPUT:** 1 email in opposition received as of March 18, 2025

**SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends **APPROVAL** of Richmar Unit 4 Replat "A" on a Resubdivision Combination basis.

In addition, the applicant is requesting the following exception(s) from the City Plan Commission:

• To waive the construction of one foot (1') of sidewalk and to allow the sidewalk to abut the roadway along Rocky Bluff Road.

Richmar Unit 4 Replat "A"

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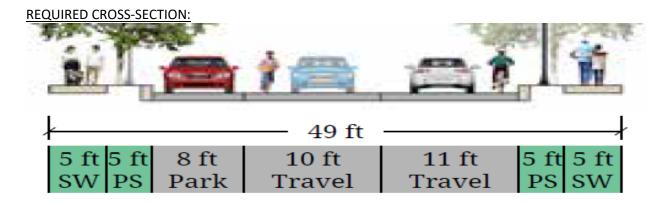
Figure A: Proposed plat with surrounding area

**DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST:** The applicant is proposing to resubdivide 1.18 acres in order to create a residential subdivision that will comprise of two (2) single-family residential lots. The residential lots are 14,796 and 36,557 square feet in size. The reason for the replat is to separate the existing parcel into two separate lots. Access to the subdivision will be from Rocky Bluff Road. Stormwater drainage will be managed by surface run-off flow to Rocky Bluff Drive. This development is being reviewed under the current Subdivision code.

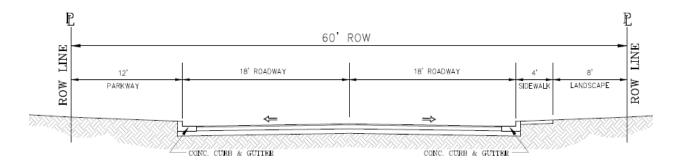
CASE HISTORY/RELATED APPLICATIONS: Richmar Unit 4 was approved and recorded in 1966.

**EXCEPTIONS, MODIFICATIONS, OR WAIVER REQUESTS:** The applicant is requesting one (1) exception pursuant to El Paso City Code Section 19.10.050 (A)(1)(a) – (Roadway participation policies—Improvement of Roads and Utilities Within and or Abutting the Subdivision) of the current code. The exception includes the following:

1. To waive the construction of one foot (1') of sidewalk and to allow the sidewalk to abut the roadway along Rocky Bluff Road.



#### **EXISTING CROSS-SECTION:**



**EVALUATION OF EXCEPTION REQUEST:** The exception request to waive right-of-way improvements meets the following criteria under El Paso City Code 19.10.050(A)(1)(a) – (Roadway Participation Policies—Improvement of Roads and Utilities Within and or Abutting the Subdivision). The section reads as follows:

## Section 19.10.050(A)(1)(a)

The City Plan Commission may waive such requirements to provide rights-of-way or street improvements to adjacent substandard roads based on any of the following factors:

a: Fifty per cent of the lots within a quarter mile of the proposed development have already been developed and the existing street improvements are in character with the neighborhood.

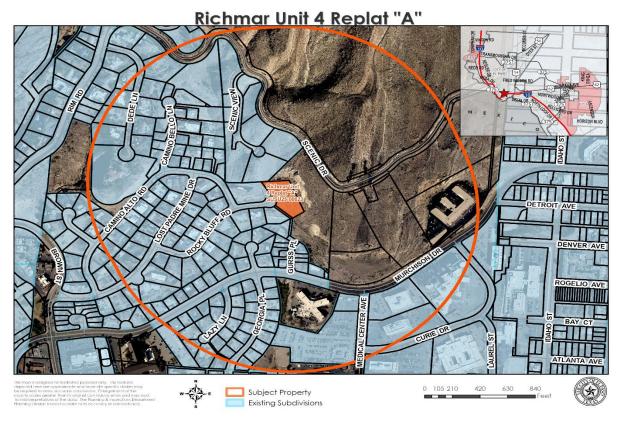


Figure B: Developed properties within a quarter mile of proposed subdivision

**NEIGHBORHOOD CHARACTER:** Surrounding neighborhood characteristics are identified in the following table.

Surrounding Zoning and Use						
North	R-4/sp (Residential/special permit) and PMD (Planned Mountain Development) /					
	Vacant					
South	R-4 (Residential) and PMD (Planned Mountain Development) / Residential and					
	Vacant					
East	PMD (Planned Mountain Development) / Vacant					
West	R-4 (Residential) / Single-family dwellings					
Nearest Public Facility and Distance						
Park	Tom Lea Lower (0.42 mi.)					
School	El Paso High School (0.72 mi.)					
Plan El Paso Designation						
G-3, (Post-War)						
Impact Fee Service Area						
N/A						

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Notices of the proposed replat were sent on March 6, 2025 to all property owners within 200 feet of the subject property and within the original subdivision. Public Notice was published by El Paso Times on March 10, 2025. As of March 18, 2025, staff has received 1 email in opposition regarding this request.

**PLAT EXPIRATION:** This application will expire on <u>March 27, 2028</u>. If the final plat has not been recorded within the specified date, the final plat approval, unless extended in accordance with El Paso City Code

Chapter 19.41 (Expiration, extension and reinstatement), shall expire and the applicable plat shall be deemed null and void.

#### **CITY PLAN COMMISSION OPTIONS:**

#### Subdivision

City Plan Commission (CPC) has sole and final authority on subdivision matters. Subdivision applications in conformance with all applicable code provisions shall be approved by the CPC. When a plat is brought forward to the CPC for review, the Commission may take any of the following actions:

- 1. **Approval:** The CPC finds that the proposed plat is in conformance with all applicable requirements of Title 19 of the El Paso City Code. (Staff Recommendation)
- 2. **Approval with Conditions:** The CPC may impose conditions that bring the proposed plat into conformance with all applicable requirements of Title 19 of the El Paso City Code.
- 3. **Denial:** The CPC finds that the proposed plat is not in conformance with all applicable requirements of Title 19 of the El Paso City Code.

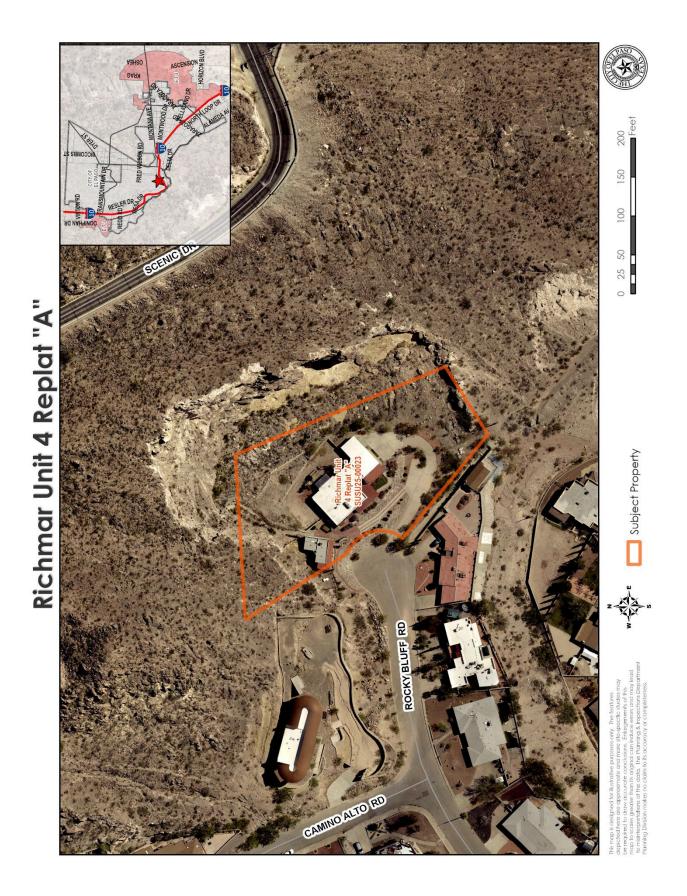
## Waiver, Exception, Modification Request(s)

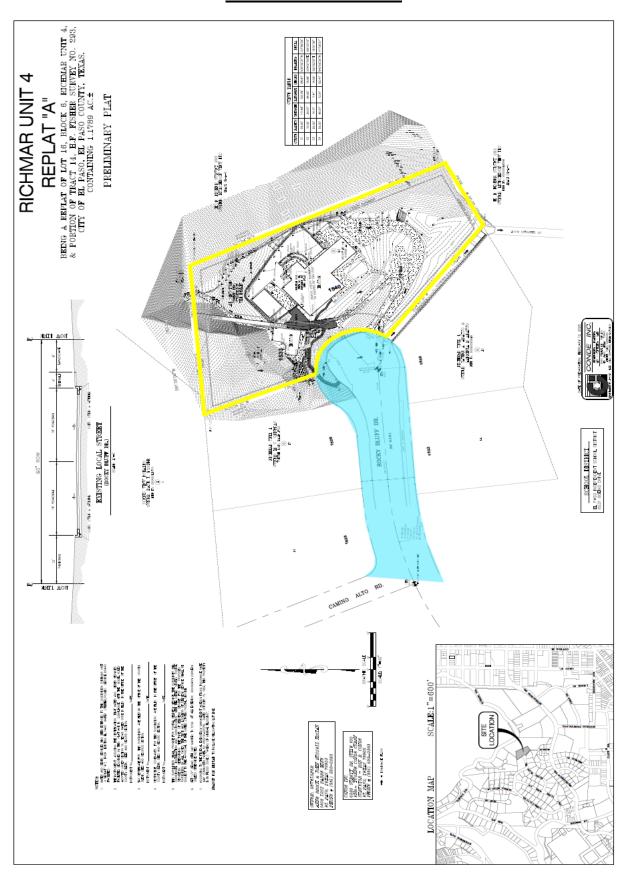
The approval of waivers from, or exceptions or modifications to any applicable code provision is at the discretion of the CPC, in consideration of any criteria provided by the El Paso City Code for the review of such waivers, exceptions, or modifications. In evaluating the request(s), the CPC may take any of the following actions:

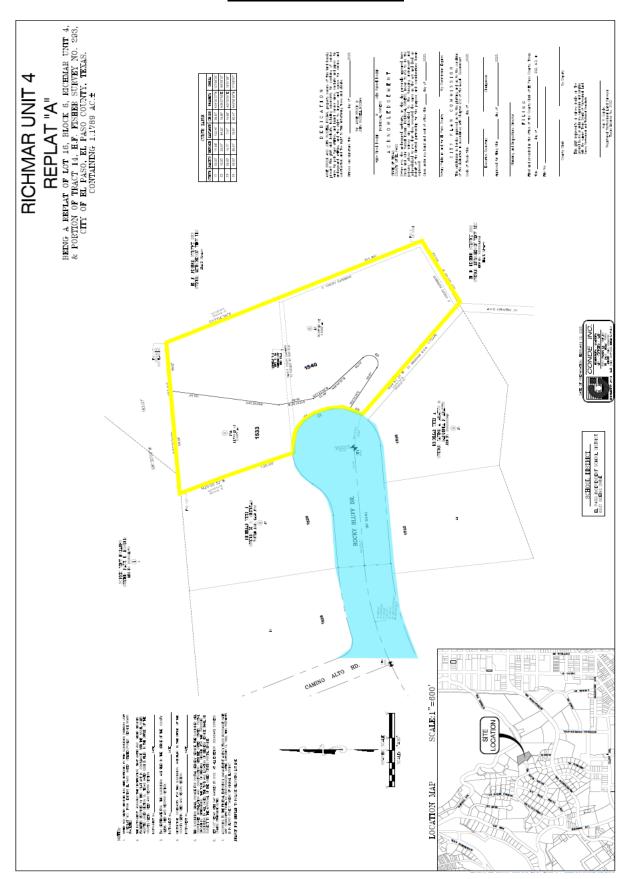
- Approval of the waiver, exception, or modification request(s), finding that the request(s) is in conformance with the relevant review criteria provided by the El Paso City Code, as reflected in the Staff Report.
- 2. **Partial approval of the waiver, exception, or modification request(s)**, finding that the request(s) is partially in conformance with the relevant review criteria provided by the El Paso City Code.
- 3. **Denial** of the waiver, exception, or modification request(s), finding that the request(s) does not conform to the review criteria provided by the El Paso City Code, as reflected in the Staff Report.

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1. Aerial Map
- 2. Preliminary Plat
- 3. Final Plat
- 4. Exception Request
- 5. Application
- 6. Department Comments
- 7. Public Input









March 18, 2025

City of El Paso Planning & Inspections – Planning Division 801 Texas Avenue City of El Paso, Texas 79901

Attention: Myrna Aguilar

Re: RICHMAR UNIT 4 REPLAT "A"

Dear Myrna,

As per your request, we are submitting a Request for Exception per Section 19.10.050(A)(1)(a) due to the requirements listed in:

The City Plan Commission may waive such requirements to provide rights-of-way or street improvements to adjacent substandard roads based on any of the following factors:

a: Fifty per cent of the lots within a quarter mile of the proposed development have already been developed and the existing street improvements are in character with the neighborhood.

If you have any questions or comments on the above please let me know. Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Conrad Code CONDE, INC.

ENGINEERING/PLANNING/SURVEYING

8080 SURETY DR., SUITE 100 / EL PASO, TEXAS 79905 / (915) 592-0283 / FAX (915) 592-0286



## RESUBDIVISION COMBINATION APPLICATION

DATE: 2/25/25	_	FILE NO. SUSU25-00023
SUBDIVISION NAME;	RICHMAR UNIT 4 R	EPLAT "A"
Being a Replat of	area included on this plat (Tra Lot 16, Block 6, Richm Lity of El Paso, El Paso	ar Unit 4 & Portion of Tract 14 H E Fish
Property Land Uses:		
Single-family	ACRES SITES 1.1789 2	Office ACRES SITES
Apartment Mobile Home		Street & Alley Ponding & Drainage Institutional
P.U.D. Park School		Other (specify below)
Commercial Industrial		Total No. Sites Total (Gross) Acreage 1.1789
What is existing zoning of	of the above described property	? R-4 Proposed zoning? N/A
Will the residential sites, existing residential zone(	as proposed, permit developm	ent in full compliance with all zoning requirements of the
What type of utility easer	nents are proposed: Undergre	ound Overhead Combination of Both X
What type of drainage is Lots to street to dr	proposed? (If applicable, list rainage structure	more than one)
Are special public improv	rements proposed in connection	in with development? YesNo X
Is a modification or except fanswer is "Yes", please	otion of any portion of the Sub explain the nature of the mod	division Ordinance proposed? Yes No>
Remarks and/or explanati	on of special circumstances:_	
	abmitted? Yes	No X
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12.	Owner of recor	d Anne Brock &		l Kocian, 1408		ine, El Pas	
		(Name & Address,	, Zip)		(Email)		(Phone)
13.	Developer	Anne Brock &	John Russell	Kocian, 1408	Lost Padre Mi	ne, El Paso	o, TX 79902
		(Name & Address	, Zip)		(Email)		(Phone)
14.	Engineer	Conde, Inc., (Name & Address.	6080 Surety	Dr., Ste. 100, E	I Paso, Texas	79901 (9	015) 592-0283 (Phone)
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NOTE: SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION DOES NOT CONSTITUTE ACCEPTANCE FOR PROCESSING UNTIL THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT REVIEWS THE APPLICATION FOR ACCURACY AND COMPLETENESS.

## Planning and Inspections Department- Planning Division

Developer / Engineer shall address the following comments:

- 1. Submit to the Planning & Inspections Department Planning Division the following prior to recording of the subdivision:
  - a. Current certificate tax certificate(s)
  - b. Current proof of ownership.
  - c. Release of access document, if applicable.
  - d. Set of restrictive covenants, if applicable.
- 2. Every subdivision shall provide for postal delivery service. The subdivider shall coordinate the installation and construction with the United States Postal Service in determining the type of delivery service for the proposed subdivision. In all cases, the type and location of delivery service shall be subject to the approval of the United States Postal Service.
- 3. Provided warranty deed does not provide both listed owners. Please provide correct warranty deed.
- 4. Remove quotation marks prior to printing mylars.

#### Planning and Inspections Department- Land Development Division

We have reviewed subject plats and recommend Approval.

The Developer/Engineer shall address the following comments.

1. Provide print-out of the mathematical closure of the exterior boundary of the subdivision indicating the error of closure, for the entire continuous perimeter.

#### **Parks and Recreation Department**

Please note that this subdivision replat is composed of two residential lots zoned "R-4" meeting the requirements for Single-family or Two-family dwelling units and it is increasing density. Therefore, park fees will be assessed based on the following:

- 1. If gross density waiver is granted by the Planning Department or designee and covenants are provided restricting the use to a Single-family dwelling unit per lot, then applicant shall be required to pay "park fees" in the amount of \$2,740.00, calculated as follows:
  - 2 Single-family dwelling units @ rate of \$1,370.00 per unit = \$2,740.00
- 2. Failure of the applicant to provide proof of gross density waiver and/or restrictive covenants shall result in calculating "park fees" using gross density. Then, applicant shall be required to pay "park fees" in the amount of \$5,480.00, calculated as follows:
  - 2 residential lots meeting the requirements for Two-family dwellings = 4 Two-family dwelling units.
  - 4 two-family dwelling units @ rate of \$1,370.00 per unit = \$5,480.00

Please allocate funds under Park Zone: NW-2

Nearest Park: Murchison Rogers Park

If density/acreage is increased /decreased or the property zoning /use changes, then "Park fees" will be reassessed based on applicable conditions.

## **Streets and Maintenance Department**

Streets and Maintenance traffic engineering has the following comments:

No objections to application

Street Lights Department does not object to this request.

For the development of the subdivision a complete set of plans shall be submitted to Street Lights Department for review showing the minimum requirements for street illumination proposals\*\*. The submission shall contain but shall not necessarily be limited to plans indicating the location on the premises of all lighting fixtures, both proposed and existing on the site\*\*\*. The description of all lighting fixtures, both proposed and existing. Photometric data. Plans shall show street illumination design and details. El Paso city code is applicable to this process, Street Design Manual (SDM)\* and any other applicable standards or requirements of the city.

Street Lights Department requires that a project that involves a roadway is to be evaluated for lighting requirements based on the City of El Paso Street Design Manual (SDM) and the Design Standards for Construction (DSC) according to City of El Paso Codes (cited below). While developing a project or construction area the existing street illumination system shall be protected and preserved. Complete survey for street illumination system shall be shown on plans. Any change on existing street illumination systems shall be coordinated with Street Lights Department.

#### El Paso Water

EPWater does not object to this request.

#### Water:

There is an existing 4-inch diameter water main that extends along the north side of Rocky Bluff Dr. It is approximately 20 feet south of the northern right of way line. This water main is available to provide service. Previous water pressure from fire hydrant #2841, at the northeastern corner of Camino Alto Road and Rocky Bluff Dr., has yielded a static pressure of 80 (psi), a residual pressure of 60 (psi) and a discharge of 1,061 gallons per minute (gpm). The owner should, for his own protection and at his own expense, install at the discharge side of each water meter a pressure regulator, strainer, and relief valve, to be set for pressure as desired by the customer. The Lot owner shall be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the above-described water pressure regulating device.

#### **Sanitary Sewer:**

There is an existing 8-inch diameter sanitary sewer main that extends along Rocky Bluff Dr. It is approximately 25-feet north of the south right-of-way line. This sewer main is available to provide service.

#### General:

EPWater requires a new service application to provide service to the property. New service applications are available at 1154 Hawkins, 3rd floor and should be made 6 to 8 weeks in advance of construction to ensure water for construction work. A site plan, utility plan, grading and drainage plans, landscaping plan, the legal description of the property and a certificate-of-compliance are required at the time of application. Service will be provided in accordance with the current EPWater – PSB Rules and Regulations. The applicant is responsible for the costs of any necessary on-site and off-site extensions, relocations or adjustments of water and sanitary sewer lines and appurtenances.

## **Stormwater Engineering**

- 1. Provide a conceptual Drainage Plan indicating existing and proposed major stormwater facilities as per Section 19.02.020 of the Municipal Code.
- 2. At the improvement plan stage, provide protection to the subdivision from all offsite storm water runoff that may have an adverse impact on any improvements and convey the existing watercourse through the subdivision.
- 3. As per the Municipal Code: new developments and redevelopments are required to maintain the predevelopment hydrologic response in their post-development state as nearly as practicable to reduce flooding. The code also encourages the use of nonstructural storm water management such as the preservation of green space, water harvesting, and other conservation efforts, to the maximum extent practicable, per Section 19.19.010.

#### **Texas Gas**

In reference to case SUSU25-00023 - Richmar Unit 4 Replat A, Texas Gas service has 2 active services at 1533 & 1540 Rocky Bluff Dr.

Texas Gas Service does not allow permanent structures nor trees to be installed on top of TGS gas mains or service lines. If a conflict is anticipated, the developer, contractors or owner representative should contact TGS to relocate the gas main and/or service at the developer's expense.

#### **El Paso Electric**

Has no comments for Richmar Unit 4 Replat A.

#### **El Paso Central Appraisal District**

There are no comments for Richmar #4 replat A Subdivision.

#### El Paso County Water Improvement District #1

This item is not within the boundaries of EPCWID1.

## **Fire Department**

No adverse comments.

## Sun Metro

No comments received.

## **Capital Improvement Department**

No comments received.

## El Paso County 911 District

No comments received.

## **Texas Department of Transportation**

No comments received.

## **El Paso County**

No comments received.

# **ATTACHMENT 7**

From: Javier Alfredo Araujo <aaraujo11@hotmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, March 11, 2025 12:32 PM

To: Aguilar, Myrna P. <AguilarMP@elpasotexas.gov>

Cc: araujoja@state.gov; Gabriela ARAUJO <garaujo22@hotmail.com>

Subject: Case; SUSU25-00023

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## Dear City Planning Commission:

We are writing to express our strong opposition to the request to resubdivide the property located on district 8, specifically Lot 16, Block 6, Richmar Unit 4 & portion of Tract 14, H.F. Fisher Survey No 293, City of El Paso, TX. (Case: SUSU25-00023)

As neighboring property owners, we are deeply concerned about the potential consequences of this subdivision. The additional construction would not only deface the natural beauty of Franklin Mountain but also significantly impact our quality of life. We anticipate increased traffic, noise pollution, and strain on local infrastructure, which would adversely affect all property owners on Rocky Bluff Rd and Camino Alto Rd.

Furthermore, we believe that the topography of the land is not suitable for additional building without extensive alterations. The property's steep slopes, rocky terrain, and limited access points would require significant grading, excavation, and infrastructure upgrades to support new construction. This would not only be costly but also potentially hazardous, given the area's history of flash flooding and soil instability.

We urge you to consider the long-term effects of this subdivision and the potential harm it could cause to our community, environment, and public safety. We would appreciate the opportunity to discuss this matter further and explore alternative solutions .prioritize sustainable development, preserve the natural beauty of our area, and respect the limitations of the land.

Unfortunately, due to work-related travel we may not be able to attend the meeting, scheduled on March 27 at 1:30 pm, but we trust and thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully, Gabriela Araujo & Javier Araujo