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#### DECISION OF THE PLANNING ADMINISTRATOR

#### **CLASS 2 SITE PLAN REVIEW**

APPLICATION NO.: 24-105676-PLN

NOTICE OF DECISION DATE: March 27, 2024

**REQUEST:** A Class 2 Site Plan Review for development of a retaining wall, on property approximately five acres in size, zoned RA (Residential Agriculture), and located at 430 Turtle Bay Court SE - 97306 (Marion County Assessor's Map and Tax Lot number: 0083W16DD / 300).

**APPLICANT:** Jerry Horner, Willamette Engineering

LOCATION: 430 Turtle Bay Court SE, Salem OR 97306

FINDINGS: The findings are in the attached Decision dated March 27, 2024.

**DECISION:** The **Planning Administrator APPROVED** the application based upon the submitted materials and the findings as presented in the decision.

The rights granted by the attached decision, which are effective as of the date of this decision, must be exercised by April 15, 2028, or this approval shall be null and void.

Case Manager: Olivia Dias, Current Planning Manager, odias@cityofsalem.net, 503-540-2343

This decision is final; there is no local appeal process. Any person with standing may appeal this decision by filing a "Notice of Intent to Appeal" with the Land Use Board of Appeals, 775 Summer St NE, Suite 330, Salem OR 97301, **not later than 21 days** after **April 15, 2024**. Anyone with questions regarding filing an appeal with the Oregon Land Use Board of Appeals should contact an attorney.

The following items are submitted to the record: 1) All materials and evidence submitted by the applicant, including any applicable professional studies; and 2) All materials, evidence, and comments from City Departments and public agencies. The application materials are available on the City's online Permit Application Center at <a href="https://permits.cityofsalem.net">https://permits.cityofsalem.net</a>. To view the materials without registering, you may use the search function and enter the permit number listed here: <u>24 105676</u>.

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# BEFORE THE PLANNING ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CITY OF SALEM DECISION

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#### IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF CLASS 2 SITE PLAN REVIEW 24-105676-PLN 430 TURTLE BAY CT SE

) FINDINGS & ORDER

) MARCH 27, 2024

In the matter of the application for a Class 2 Site Plan Review, the Planning Administrator, having received and reviewed the evidence and application materials, makes the following findings and adopts the following order as set forth herein.

# <u>REQUEST</u>

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#### **PROCEDURAL FINDINGS**

- 1. On March 5, 2024, an application for a Class 2 Site Plan Review was submitted for property located at 430 Turtle Bay Court.
- 2. The application was deemed complete on March 27, 2024.

# SUBSTANTIVE FINDINGS

#### 1. Proposal

The proposed Class 2 Site Plan Review affects the property located at 430 Turtle Bay Court SE (**Attachment A**). The proposed development plans are included as **Attachment B**.

#### 2. City Department Comments

<u>Development Services</u> – Reviewed the proposal and provided no comments.

Building and Safety Division – Reviewed the proposal and provided no comments.

Salem Fire Department – Reviewed the proposal and provided no comments.

# **DECISION CRITERIA FINDINGS**

# 3. Analysis of Class 2 Site Plan Review Approval Criteria

The purpose of Site plan review is to provide a unified, consistent, and efficient means to review for development activity that requires a building permit, to ensure that such development meets all applicable standards of the Unified Development Code (UDC), including, but not limited to, standards related to access, pedestrian connectivity, setbacks, parking areas, external refuse storage areas, open areas, landscaping, and transportation and utility infrastructure.

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Pursuant to SRC 220.005(b)(2), Class 2 Site Plan Review is required for any development that requires a building permit, other than development subject to Class 1 Site Plan Review, and that does not involve a land use decision or limited land use decision, as those terms are defined in ORS 197.015.

# SRC 220.005(f)(2) provides that an application for Class 2 Site Plan Review shall be granted if:

# (a) Only clear and objective standards which do not require the exercise of discretion or legal judgment are applicable to the application.

**Finding:** Only clear and objective standards apply to the proposed development. Complete findings addressing the proposal's conformance with these standards are included within the findings addressing approval criterion SRC 220.005(f)(2)(B) below. This approval criterion is met.

# (b) The application meets all the applicable standards of the UDC;

**Finding:** The proposal includes development of retaining walls. Development standards applicable to retaining walls are found in SRC Chapter 800, General Development Standards. The following is a summary of the applicable use and development standards for the proposed retaining walls.

#### **Development Standards:**

# SRC 800.050(a)(4) – Retaining Walls:

Retaining walls shall not exceed a maximum height of four feet when located at the property line abutting a street. Retaining walls not located at the property line abutting a street may exceed four feet in height.

**Finding:** The proposed retaining walls are not located at the property line abutting a street; therefore, they are not subject to a maximum height allowance.

# SRC 800.050(b) – Vision Clearance:

Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, fence, walls, hedges, gates, and retaining walls shall conform to the vision clearance requirements of SRC Chapter 805.

Finding: The proposed retaining walls are not located within a vision clearance area.

# SRC 800.050(c)(2) – Material:

Walls shall be constructed of materials specifically designed and manufactured for use as walls, including, but not limited to, masonry, rock, concrete, concrete block, or other similar material.

Finding: The retaining wall is constructed of CMU block.

# SRC 800.050(d) – Hazardous Materials:

Fences and walls shall not be constructed of or contain any material which will do bodily harm, such as electric or barbed wire, upturned barbed selvage, broken glass, spikes, or any other hazardous or dangerous material.

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**Finding:** No hazardous or dangerous materials are proposed in the construction of the retaining wall.

#### SRC Chapter 808 – Preservation of Trees and Vegetation

A tree conservation plan (TCP21-01) was approved for the subject property in conjunction with a tentative subdivision (Case No. SUB21-03) which requires preservation of 21 trees, or 26.9 percent, of the 78 total trees identified on the property. The proposed development does not impact any protected trees.

#### SRC Chapter 809 – Wetlands

Grading and construction activities within wetlands are regulated by the Oregon Department of State Lands (DSL) and US Army Corps of Engineers. State and Federal wetland laws are also administered by the DSL and Army Corps, and potential impacts to jurisdictional wetlands are addressed through application and enforcement of appropriate mitigation measures.

**Finding:** The Salem-Keizer Local Wetland Inventory shows that there are wetland channels and hydric soils mapped on the property. The applicant should contact the Oregon Department of State Lands (DSL) to verify if any permits are required for development or construction in the vicinity of the mapped wetland area(s). The Salem-Keizer Local Wetland Inventory (LWI) does not identify any wetlands on the subject property.

#### SRC Chapter 810 – Landslide Hazards

A geological assessment or report is required when regulated activity is proposed in a mapped landslide hazard area.

**Finding:** The City's landslide hazard ordinance (SRC Chapter 810) establishes standards and requirements for the development of land within areas of identified landslide hazard susceptibility. According to the City's adopted landslide hazard susceptibility maps, there areas of mapped landslide susceptibility equal to 2 points on the subject property. In addition, a subdivision is assigned 3 activity points. A total of 5 points indicates a moderate landslide hazard risk, a geological assessment is required for this proposal.

The applicant has provided a geotechnical investigation from Branch Engineering Inc. dated January 27, 2021, indicating that the site has a low risk of land sliding and there are no geologic impacts that preclude the proposed site from development.

#### Historic Property Status

The subject property is not located within a historic district and is not individually listed as a historic resource.

#### Previous Land Use Actions

**Annex C-685:** The annexation of 22.98 acres of territory (Territory), a zone change to a City of Salem RA (Residential Agriculture) zone.

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**SUB21-03:** A tentative subdivision to divide approximately five acres into 16 residential lots.

**TCP21-01:** A Tree Conservation Plan in conjunction with a tentative subdivision plan to divide approximately five acres into 16 residential lots.

No conditions from previous land use actions for the subject property conflict with the proposed development.

#### 4. Conclusion

Based on the conformance with the preceding requirements the Planning Administrator certifies that the proposed Class 2 Site Plan Review is in conformance with the UDC and the approval criteria provided in SRC 220.005(f)(2), provided compliance occurs with any applicable items noted above.

<u>Please Note:</u> Findings included in this decision by the direction of the Salem Fire Department are based on non-discretionary standards. Fire Code related findings are intended to inform the applicant of the clear and objective Fire Prevention Code standards of SRC Chapter 58 that will apply to this development proposal on application for building permit(s). Additional or different Fire Prevention Code standards may apply based on the actual building permit application submitted.

If a building permit application has not already been submitted for this project, please submit a copy of this decision with your building permit application for the work proposed.

# IT IS HEREBY ORDERED

The proposed Class 2 Site Plan Review is consistent with the provisions of SRC Chapter 220 and is hereby **APPROVED** subject to the applicable standards of the Salem Revised Code and the findings contained herein.

Olivia Dias, Current Planning Manager, on behalf of Lisa Anderson-Ogilvie, AICP Planning Administrator

Attachments:

A. Vicinity Map B. Proposed Site Plan

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#### Attachment A



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