## TRANMITTAL TO AGENCIES FOR COMMENTS ON DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS WITH THE CITY OF MERIDIAN

To ensure that your comments and recommendation will be considered by the Meridian Planning and Zoning Commission/City Council, Please submit your comments and recommendations to cityclerk@meridiancity.org, Attention: C.Jay Coles, City Clerk by March 29, 2019

Transmittal Date: February 21, 2019
Hearing Date: April 4, 2019
Project Name \& File Number: Gander Creek H-2019-0013 AZ, PP

## Applicant: By Trilogy Development, Inc

Property Location: SW corner of N. McDermott Rd. and W. McMillan Rd.

Application Request: For an Annexation and Zoning of $\mathbf{1 2 5 . 6 8}$ acres of land with an R-8 zoning District; and a Preliminary Plat consisting of 401 building lots, 55 common lots and 5 other lots on $\mathbf{1 1 7 . 1 0}$ acres of land in the R-8 zoning district.

| City Council / Planning and Zoning Commission | Valley Transit |
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| Mayor | Idaho DEQ |
| Sanitary Services | West Ada School District |
| Building Department \& Community Development | Meridian Post Office |
| Fire Department | Ada County Highway District |
| Police Department | Ada County Development Services |
| City Attorney | Central District Health |
| City Public Works | Compass |
| City Planner | Nampa Meridian Irrigation District |
| Parks Departments | Settlers Irrigation District |
| Economic Development | Idaho Power, Intermountain Gas, Century Link |
| Historic Preservation Commission | Idaho Transportation Department |
| New York Irrigation District | South or RR/SW Meridian |
| Boise Project Board of Control | NW Pipeline |
| Boise-Kuna Irrigation District | Ada County Associate Land Records |
| Downtown Projects | Meridian Development Corporation |

## Hearing Date: April 4, 2019

File No.: H-2019-0013
Project Name: Gander Creek
Request:

- Annexation \& zoning of 125.68 acres of land with an R-8 zoning district;
- Preliminary Plat consisting of 401 building lots, 55 common lots and 5 other lots on 117.10 acres of land in the R-8 zoning district.
by Trilogy Development, Inc.
Location: The site is located at the southwest corner of N. McDermott Rd. and W. McMillan Rd., in the NE $1 / 4$ of Section 32, Township 4N., Range 1W.

Assigned Planner: Sony\& Allen
Related files:

Type of Review Requested (check all that apply)
$\square$ Accessory Use (check only 1)

## $\square$ Daycare

$\square$ Home Occupation
$\square$ Home Occupation/Instruction for 7 or more
$\square$ Administrative Design Review
$\square$ Alternative Compliance
Annexation and Zoning
$\square$ Certificate of Zoning Compliance
$\square$ City Council Review
$\square$ Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment
$\square$ Comprehensive Plan Text Amendment
$\square$ Conditional Use Permit
$\square$ Conditional Use Modification (check only 1)
$\square$ Commission
Development Agreement Modification
$\square$ Final Plat
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Applicant Information
Applicant name: Trilogy Development, Inc Phone: $208 \cdot 895-8858$
Applicant address: 9839 W.Cablecars4. \# 101 Email:shawn@trilogyiaaho.com
City: $\qquad$
$\qquad$ State: $\qquad$ Zip: $\qquad$
Applicant's interest in property: $\square$ Own $\square$ Rent $\square$ Optioned $\square$ Other Related company Owner name: $\qquad$
$\qquad$ Phone: $\qquad$
Owner address: $\qquad$ Email: $\qquad$
City: $\qquad$ State: $\qquad$ Zip: $\qquad$
Agent/Contact name (e.g., architect, engineer, developer, representative) Bob taunton
Firm name: Taunton 6 roup, LLC Phone: 208-401.5505
Agent address: 27245 . Palmatier way Email:bobtaunton@tauntongroup.com
City: $\qquad$ State: ID Zip: 83716

Primary contact is: $\square$ Applicant $\square$ Owner $\square$ Agent/Contact

## Subject Property Information

Location/street address: See ortacined Township, range, section: 4N, IW, 32 Assessor's parcel numbers): See attached Total acreage: 117.10 Zoning district: ROT (COUnty)

Project/subdivision name:

## Gander creek Subdivision

General description of proposed projectrequest: Annexation, Rezone to k-8,
preliminary plat
Proposed zoning districts): $R-8$
Acres of each zone proposed: 117.10
Type of use proposed (check all that apply):
$\triangle$.Residential $\square$ Office $\square$ Commercial $\square$ Employment $\square$ Industrial $\square$ Other $\qquad$
Who will own \& maintain the pressurized irrigation system in this development? HOA
Which irrigation district does this property lie within? Nampa Meridian, setter's
Primary irrigation source: Nampa Meridian Secondary:
Square footage of landscaped areas to be irrigated (if primary or secondary point of connection is City water): $\qquad$

## Residential Project Summary (if applicable)



Proposed number of dwelling units (for multi-family developments only):
1 bedroom: $\qquad$ 2-3 bedrooms: $\qquad$ 4 or more bedrooms: $\qquad$
Minimum square footage of structure (excl. garage): TBD 4,000 Maximum building height:
Minimum property size (s.f): $\qquad$ Average property size (s.f.): 6,002
Gross density (Per UDC 11-1A-1): $\quad 3,42$ $\qquad$ Net density (Per UDC 11-1A-1): 4. 15
Acreage of qualified open space: 12.55 AC . Percentage of qualified open space: $13 \%$ of developed Type and calculations of qualified open space provided in acres (Per UDC 11-3G-3B): _ـ [10.72\% of gross area See Excel spreadsheet t exhibit
Amenities provided with this development (if applicable): Pool, playground, picnic shelter, grass Type of dwellings) proposed: 邓Single-family Detached $\quad \square$ Single-family Attached $\square$ Townhouse payfielos,
$\square$ Duplex $\quad \square$ Multifamily $\square$ Vertically Integrated
$\square$ other
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## Non-residential Project Summary (if applicable)

Number of building lots: ___ Common lots:
Gross floor area proposed:
$\qquad$ Other lots: $\qquad$
Gross floor area proposed: $\qquad$ Existing (if applicable): $\qquad$
Hours of operation (days and hours): $\qquad$ Building height: $\qquad$
Total number of parking spaces provided: $\qquad$ Number of compact spaces provided: $\qquad$
Authorization / representative


## GANDER CREEK DEVELOPMENT REVIEW APPLICATION

## Parcel Numbers

- S0432110450 (Union Square LLC)
- S0432110100 (Union Square LLC)
- S0432110565 (Heartland Townhomes Property Management, LLC)
- S0432141800 (Heartland Townhomes Property Management, LLC)
- S0432110500 (Maxwell)


## Owners' Contact Information

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## Taunton Group

Community Development

January 23, 2019
Ms. Sonya Allen
Associate City Planner
Community Development Department
33 E. Broadway Ave., Meridian, Idaho 83642

## Re: Gander Creek Project Description

Dear Sonya,
On behalf of the applicant, Trilogy Development, Inc., I am pleased to submit a Development Review Application for the Gander Creek project with the following checklists:

- Annexation/Rezone
- Preliminary Plat

The property totals 117.10 acres and is located at the southwest corner of McMillan Rd. and McDermott Rd. in unincorporated Ada County. Five separate parcels comprise the property:

- S0432110450 (Union Square LLC)
- S0432110100 (Union Square LLC)
- S0432110565 (Heartland Townhomes Property Management, LLC)
- S0432141800 (Heartland Townhomes Property Management, LLC)
- S0432110500 (Maxwell)

The applicant controls Heartland and Union Squareapplicant.
The site extends south approximately 2,300 feet from McMillan Rd. to the McFadden Drain and properties owned by the West Ada School District and Spriggel. McDermott Rd. is the east boundary and the future half-mile collector roadway is the west boundary. The Five Mile Creek bisects the property from east to west in a parcel owned by Nampa Meridian Irrigation District. The McFaddan Drain is adjacent the south boundary of the property. Currently, the property is in agricultural production with some rural residences and outbuildings.

A small 0.43-acre out parcel at 6595 W . McMillan Rd includes a residence and lies on the south side of McMillan Rd. The applicant has spoken to the property owners, and they have declined to sell their property or be included in the annexation request. The owners will also not agree to an easement for a sidewalk along McMillan Rd.

The Idaho Transportation Department has identified the future right-of-way needed (approximately 300 feet west of McDermott Rd.) to construct the extension of State Highway 16 from Chinden Blvd. to Interstate 84. The future right-of-way for the highway and slope easements for the planned McMillan Rd. overpass have been incorporated into the development plan.

The applicant has held several pre-application meetings with Meridian staff and other agencies. The most recent meeting occurred on December 4, 2018, following the addition of the Maxwell parcel. A copy of the meeting notes prepared by staff is included with the application.

A neighborhood meeting was noticed to property owners within 300 feet of the property. The meeting took place on December 17, 2018, at Meridian City Hall and was attended by seven property owners. The meeting notice, address labels, and sign-in sheet are included.

## Annexation/Zoning Application

The property is zoned RUT (Rural Urban Transition) in Ada County, and the City's Future Land Use Map designates the property as Medium Density Residential. The property is contiguous to the City of Meridian on its east and south boundaries. The applicant is requesting the City annex the property and rezone it to the R-8 Medium Density Residential District to permit the development of 401 single-family units of various sizes and configurations at a density of 3.42 units per acre. R-8 is an implementing zone for the Medium Density Residential designation.

The Comprehensive Plan states that Medium Density Residential densities should range from 4-8 units per acre and should be designed conducive to walking with all housing and other uses sharing an interconnected sidewalk and street system. The minimum lot size is 4,000 square feet.

The Gander Creek gross density is lower than 4-8 units per acre range due to the inclusion of land reserved for the ITD facilities and 4-acre parcel reserved for the City of Meridian to construct a future fire station and service center. The development area net of the land reservations totals 96.54 ac . so the density is 4.15 units/ac.

On October 23, 2018, the Meridian City Council approved the annexation of 108.76 acres owned by the West Ada School District and Robert Spriggel. Both properties were zoned R-8, and the School District also received a Conditional Use Permit for the Owyhee High School. An elementary school is also planned.

On September 27, 2018, Heartland Townhomes Property Management, LLC signed a Memorandum of Agreement with the West Ada School District. A copy of the agreement is included. Heartland and West Ada will enter into a binding agreement upon the annexation of their respective properties. Heartland committed to extending a mid-mile collector road ( N . McCrosson Ave.) from the north boundary of the West Ada parcel to McMillan Rd. and complete construction by the time the Owyhee High School is substantially complete and the District is ready to seek a certificate of occupancy from the City. The completion of the collector will provide the District with two points of public access to the school, which is anticipated to open in the Fall of 2021.

The current zoning map that staff provided for the Pre-Application meeting is included below; however, the Citythe has not officially updated the map with the School District and Spriggel properties rezoned to R-8.


## Preliminary Plat Application

The preliminary plat depicts a planned community that includes 401 single-family residential lots and 60 common lots. The common lots are comprised of 55 lots to be owned by the homeowner's association, 4 lots for ITD and 1 lot for the City. Open space is $14.1 \%$ of the developed area net of the ITD right-of-way and City parcel.

The applicant has submitted a detailed spreadsheet and map exhibit that indicates the qualified open space. The total area is 12.55 acres or $13 \%$ of the developed site ( 96.54 acres), which exceeds the requirement of $10 \%$.

In addition to the preliminary plat, landscape plan is submitted that illustrates the landscape character for the community.

## Community Development Principles

Before creating the preliminary plat and landscape plan, the applicant established the following community development principles to guide planning and design:

1. Create a healthy community that is active, walkable and connected
2. Provide recreational opportunities for a wide range of user groups and ages
3. Design activity areas and amenities for community gathering and social engagement
4. Utilize open space as an organizing element in neighborhood design
5. Offer a diversity of housing choices to match consumer incomes, preferences, and life stages
6. Interconnect residential areas and amenities with the use of streets and separated pathways
7. Create streetscapes that are safe, pleasant, and comfortable for a diverse population
8. Create a system of streets with short blocks, intersection density, and mid-block pedestrian connections
9. Connect the community to regional pathways

## Lot Pattern

To encourage a mix of housing types and price points, lot sizes range for 4,000 to 10,693 square feet and comprise groupings that are $4,000,5,000,6000,7,000$ and 8,000 square feet. The lot configuration includes traditional front-loaded lots and rear-loaded alley lots. Many of the lots back onto developed and active open space and others side on to green spaces.

Conceptual house elevations have been provided to illustrate the mix and character of the homes.

## Vehicular Access and Circulation

The applicant has held several meetings with ITD to confirm the right-of-way for Highway 16 and the slope easements required for the McMillan Rd. overpass. Kittelson \& Associates prepared the project Traffic Impact Study (TIS) for review by ITD and ACHD. ACHD has accepted the TIS and will begin the detailed review of the report.

McMillan Rd. can be described as a farm to market road. It is designated as a residential arterial and the applicant will re-construct the road as a half-street per ACHD policies. The work will include curb, gutter, and detached sidewalk along the frontage plus 28 feet of pavement. The detached sidewalk will be set back 18 feet from the curb to allow for the existing 138kv Idaho Power overhead power line. Between N. McCrosson Ave. and N. Glassford Ave. the sidewalk will be 5 feet and east of the entry it will become 10 feet.
N. Glassford Ave. will provide access to the Gander Creek community from McMillan Rd. Additional primary access will be at two locations on the future N. McCrosson Ave. mid-mile collector consistent with ACHD policy. Quarter-Mile access is planned on the south boundary at the McFaddan Drain connecting to the future roadway on the School District parcel. All crossings of the McFaddan Drain will be the responsibility of the School District.

The planned N. McCrosson Ave. residential collector along the western boundary of the project will also meet ACHD policies for a half-street. A 10-foot detached multi-use pathway will be constructed from the north edge of the McFaddan Drain to the north boundary of Five Mile Creek. From this point, a 5 -foot detached sidewalk will connect to McMillan Rd.

The existing W. Lazy Diamond C Lane will be vacated.
Internal streets within the subdivision will be 33-feet. In the section north of the Five Mile Creek, the right-of-way will be 57 feet to accommodate a detached 5 -foot sidewalk and will be 47 feet with a 5 -foot attached sidewalk in the section south of the creek. All "end cap" landscaped areas will have detached sidewalks.

Two streets in the north section, Carmel Creek Ave. and Beecum Creek Ave. are 24-foot minor local streets in a 28 -foot right-of-way. These streets are single-frontage without a sidewalk. The sidewalks will be located within the park.

The circulation plan is consistent with the ITD access plan for Highway 16.

## Pedestrian/Bike Circulation

The preliminary plat includes ample opportunities for pedestrian and biking connectivity within the community. Tree-lined and low-volume streets without cul-de-sac configurations enable residents to easily walk or bike to the amenities, the future schools and to visit neighbors.

Safe walking and cycling routes for students east of McDermott Rd. to the future high school and elementary school are included in the plan

Specific circulation features include:

- A 10-foot separated multi-use pathway links the West Ada school sites to McMillan Rd.
- A Five Mile Creek crossing in the middle of the community at N. Scenic Way connects the north and south sections
- 5-foot micrpaths link the neighborhoods to parks and amenities.
- N. Scenic Creek Way provides a future connection to the high school and planned elementary school


## Community Features and Amenities

N. Scenic Way and Black Butte St. are designed to create a pleasant arrival experience at the community entries on McMillan Rd. and N. McCrosson Ave. Both streets will have landscaped medians and offer immediate views of the neighborhood park and amenities.

Three neighborhood parks are distributed throughout the community to provide all residents with convenient access to the amenities. The parks are 2.11 acres in the north section and 2.65 and 0.97 acres in the south portion. The north park will be a significant activity area with a pool and basketball court. All three parks will have picnic shelters, and grass playfields and two will have playgrounds. The street network design and the placement of 4 -foot high yard fencing adjacent the park spaces provide visual access for public safety.

To create a more open feel to the community fencing along the Five Mile Creek and McFaddan Drain will be 5 -foot wrought iron view fencing.

Following UDC 11-3H-4D, a 40 -foot landscaped buffer has been placed parallel to the future ITD right-of-way for Highway 16. The applicant will construct a 4 to 5 -foot berm and a 6 -foot noise abatement wall within the buffer. A detail of the design is included in the landscape plan.

## Sewer, Water, and Pressurized Irrigation

The Oaks lift station provides connection to the Meridian sewer system. The applicant will extend trunk lines from McDermott Rd. and is subject to a sewer reimbursement agreement for the lift station. The gravity drainage area to the lift station is very restricted and limits development west of McDermott Rd. to a half-mile. North of McMillan Rd. the drainage area is furthers limited to a quarter-mile or less. This sewer service limitation will function as a de facto urban growth boundary until a regional lift station is constructed at Can-Ada Rd. many years from now.

A water trunk line will be extended west along McMillan Rd. from an existing point of connection at McDermott Rd

A pressurized irrigation system will be installed throughout the community.

## Drainage/Flood Plain

A small portion of the property adjacent the Five Mile Creek is in the FEMA Flood Zone A. A drainage study is currently underway, and a Floodplain Development Permit will be submitted to the City for review before development. The applicant will design the crossing of the Five Mile Creek following an analysis of the study and with direction from the irrigation district.

Retention areas will be landscaped subject to the requirements of UDC-3B-11 and will provide an attractive landscape area. The retention areas will have a similar design to those at the Jump Creek Subdivision developed by the applicant.

Nampa Meridian Irrigation District has directed that a maintenance road along the Five Mile Creek will be along the south bank and pathways are permitted only on the north side. Existing Irrigation ditches on the property will be piped.

## Fire Department Site

The applicant has held several meetings with the Meridian Fire Department to discuss a site for a future fire station and equipment service facility. The agreed location is a 3.84 -acre site with all street and utility improvements at the southwest corner of the project with access to N. McCrosson Ave. and proximity the Owyhee High School. The transfer to the Fire Department will be a combination donation and purchase transaction. The City's legal staff is preparing a letter of intent for signature by the applicant. The site would be transferred at the time of recording the final plat that includes the parcel.

## Conceptual Phasing

The applicant has provided a conceptual phasing plan for the development. The initial phase will be the middle third of the north section of the preliminary plat. It will include the greening up of the 2.11 -acre park, 10 -foot pathway, and construction of the playground and picnic shelter. The pool and basketball court will be added during the development of the second phase of the community.

Primary access will be from McMillan Rd. with a temporary 20' paved secondary access following the sewer alignment from McDermott Rd. and the future W. Deer Creek Dr.

## Waiver Request - Utility Extension to Existing Homes

The applicant is requesting a waiver of the requirement to hook existing homes that will not be removed up to sewer and water utilities within sixty days of those services being available. The homes that will remain (parcels S0432110100 and S0432110500) are within the future ITD right-of-way and are leased back to the previous or existing owners. It does not make practical sense to undertake connections when ITD right-of-way acquisition is about to commence.

I have included the application fee, executed affidavits of legal interest, recorded deeds, and other required items. Please contact me if you have any questions or require any additional information related to the application. We look forward to working with City staff during the review of the application.

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