



Planning Commission Staff Report

TO: PLANNING COMMISSION / DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

FROM: VERONICA GONZALEZ, PRINCIPAL PLANNER

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MEETING DATE: SEPTEMBER 13, 2023

SUBJECT: S21-02 HAPPY ROAD ESTATES: REQUEST TO APPROVE

PRELIMINARY PLAT AND OPEN SPACE PLAN ON APPROXIMATELY 3.87 ACRES GENERALLY LOCATED SOUTH OF THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF HIGLEY ROAD AND SAN TAN BOULEVARD IN THE SINGLE FAMILY-15 (SF-15) ZONING DISTRICT.

STRATEGIC INITIATIVE: Exceptional Built Environment

To allow for development of a subdivision for single-family dwelling units

RECOMMENDED MOTION

Approve the Findings of Fact and S21-02, Happy Road Estates: Preliminary Plat and Open Space Plan for Happy Road Estates, for six home lots (Lots 1-6) and four tracts (Tracts A-D) on approximately 3.87 acres generally located south of the southeast corner of Higley Road and San Tan Boulevard in the Single Family-15 (SF-15) zoning district, subject to conditions.

<u>APPLICANT</u> <u>OWNER</u>

Company: Craft Development, LLC Company: Tanner-Funk Holdings, LLC

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Address: 67 S Higley Rd, Ste 103-450 Address: 1806 N Lindsay Rd, Unit 103

Gilbert, AZ 85296 Mesa, AZ 85213

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BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

History

Date	Description
May 9, 2006	Town Council approved A06-02 (Ord. No. 1738) annexing
	approximately 351 acres, including subject site.
September 26, 2006	Town Council approved Z06-03 (Ord. No. 1830) rezoning
	approximately 351 acres from Maricopa County Rural-43,
	R1-18, and R-4 to Town of Gilbert Single Family-43 (SF-43),
	Single Family-35 (SF-35), Single Family-15 (SF-15), Shopping
	Center (SC) and Public Facilities/Institutional (PF/I).

Overview

The applicant is requesting approval of the preliminary plat and open space plan for Happy Road Estates. The site is approximately 3.87 acres and is generally located south of the southeast corner of Higley Road and San Tan Boulevard.

Surrounding Land Use & Zoning Designations:

	Existing Land Use Classification	Existing Zoning	Existing Use
North	Residential>1-2 DU/AC	Single Family-15 (SF-15)	Vacant
South	Residential>1-2 DU/AC	Single Family-15 (SF-15) and R-4 (Maricopa County)	_
East	Residential>1-2 DU/AC	Single Family-15	Single family residential
West	Residential>0-1 DU/AC	RU-43 (Maricopa County)	Higley Road, then single family residential
Site	Residential>1-2 DU/AC	Single-Family-15 (SF- 15)	Existing single family residential

Pre-Plat Summary

The subject site is currently a single lot with an existing home and is zoned Single Family-15 (SF-15). The applicant proposes a preliminary plat to divide the property

into six lots and four tracts. All proposed lots exceed the minimum SF-15 lot size requirement and will range in size from 15,211-29,862 sq. ft. The lots will all front onto an internal, private road and the site has a single point of access off Higley Road. Currently, there is an existing private, shared well site on the property. This well site serves existing homes to the south and will be located within a tract (Tract D) when the final plat is recorded. The homes to be built within this proposed subdivision will not receive water service from this private well. Instead, they will receive Town of Gilbert water service.

Please see table below for the development standards reflected in this preliminary plat.

Project Data Table

Site Development	LDC SF-15 Standards	Proposed
Regulations		
Minimum Lot Area	15,000	15,211
(sq. ft.)		
Minimum Lot Dimensions		
(ft.)		
Width	110	110
Depth	120	120
Maximum Height	30'/2	30'/2
(ft.)/Stories		
Minimum Building		
Setbacks (ft.)		
Front	30'	30'
Side	15'	15'
Rear	30'	30'
Maximum Lot Coverage		
(%)		
One-Story	35%	35%
Two-Story	35%	35%

Landscape and Open Space

Happy Road Estates contains more than 29,000 sf of open space which is approximately 13% of the total site. The amenity area is centrally located within the development and contains clustered seating, a horseshoe pit as well as a large turf area. Additional landscaped areas flank the private drive at the entrance and provide a buffer from Higley Road along the west boundary. Further, tree-lined streets are located throughout the interior.

Tree plantings throughout the development include Rosewood, Southern Live Oak, and Pink Dawn Chitalpa to provide shade and character. A variety of shrubs, groundcover and accents such as red bird of paradise, damianita, yucca, wild petunia, and lantana are also provided to further enhance the community open space and streetscape.

An 8' theme wall will be constructed along Higley Road. The theme wall will be stucco finished block with brick veneer columns placed 20' on center. The perimeter walls around the remainder of the site will be a standard block wall.

Residential entry signage is proposed on the north side of the subdivision entrance at Higley Road with the name "Happy Rd Estates". The materials for the entry sign include the same brick veneer as the subdivision theme wall and will incorporate raised steel letters.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION AND INPUT

A notice of public hearing was published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town, an official notice was posted in all the required public places within the Town and neighborhood notice was provided per the requirements of the Land Development Code Section 6.2.6.

Staff has received no comment from the public.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Approve the Findings of Fact and S21-02, Happy Road Estates: Preliminary Plat and Open Space Plan for six home lots (Lots 1-6) and four tracts (Tracts A-D) on approximately 3.87 acres, generally located south of the southeast corner of Higley Road and San Tan Boulevard in the Single Family-15 (SF-15) zoning district, subject to the following conditions.

- a. The Final Plat and Open Space Plan for Happy Road Estates and construction of the project shall be in substantial conformance with Exhibit 4, the Preliminary Plat and Exhibit 5, the Open Space Plan approved by the Planning Commission/Design Review Board at the September 13, 2022 public hearing.
- b. Proposed signage complying with the LDC shall receive approval of a sign permit prior to installation.

Respectfully submitted,

Veronica Gonzalez

Veronica Gonzalez Principal Planner

Attachments and Enclosures:

- 1) Findings of Fact
- 2) Notice of Public Hearing
- 3) Aerial Photo
- 4) Preliminary Plat
- 5) Open Space Plan
- 6) Applicant's Narrative

FINDINGS OF FACT S21-02 Happy Road Estates

- 1. The project is consistent with the Residential Design Guidelines;
- 2. The project conforms to the General Plan and specifically to the Land Use, Community Design, and Environmental Planning Elements;
- 3. The project is consistent with all applicable provisions of the Zoning Code;
- 4. The project is compatible with adjacent and nearby residential development; and
- 5. The project design provides for safe and efficient provision of public services.

Notice of Public He Attachment 2: Notice of Public Hearing

PLANNING COMMISSION DATE:

Wednesday, September 13, 2023* TIME: 6:00 PM

LOCATION: Municipal Building I

Council Chambers

50 East Civic Center Drive

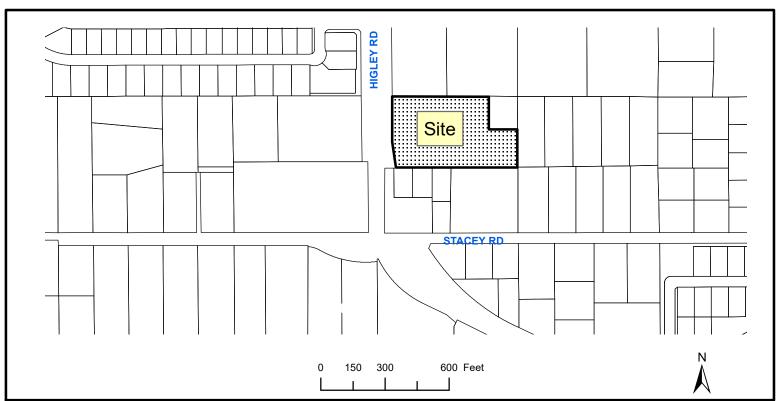
*Call Case Planner to verify date and time: (480) 503-6720

The application is available to the public for review at the Town of Gilbert Planning Division Monday - Thursday 7AM - 6PM. Staff reports and the agenda are available prior to the meeting at www.gilbertaz.gov/departments/development-services/planning-planning-commission

REQUESTED ACTION:

S21-02 HAPPY ROAD ESTATES: Request to approve Preliminary Plat and Open Space Plan for Craft Development, for 6 home lots (Lots 1-6) and Tracts A-D on approx. 3.87 acres located south of the southeast corner of Higley Road and San Tan Boulevard in the Single Family-15 (SF-15) zoning district.

SITE LOCATION:



APPLICANT: Craft Development, LLC

CONTACT: Beau Tanner

ADDRESS: 1806 N Lindsay RD STE 103

Mesa. AZ 85213

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PRELIMINARY PLAT

HAPPY ROAD

SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 2 SOUTH, RANGE 6 EAST OF THE GILA AND SALT RIVER BASE AND MERIDIAN, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA

> APN# 304-87-057S E. HAPPY ROAD, GILBERT, ARIZONA 85142

TRACT TABLE				
TRACT	SQ. FT.	ACRES	DESCRIPTION OF USE	
DRAINAGE & RETENTION ESMT	10,820	0.2484	DRAINAGE & RETENTION EASEMENT	
TRACT A	15,134	0.3474	OPEN SPACE & RETENTION	
TRACT B	3,301	0.0758	OPEN SPACE	
TRACT C	25,667	0.5892	PRIVATE ROAD & PUBLIC WATER & SEWER EASEMENT	
TRACT D	842	0.0193	PRIVATE WELL SITE	

28' PRIVATE STREET TRACT PUBLIC WATER & SEWER EASEMENT_

STREET SECTION

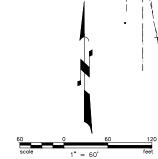
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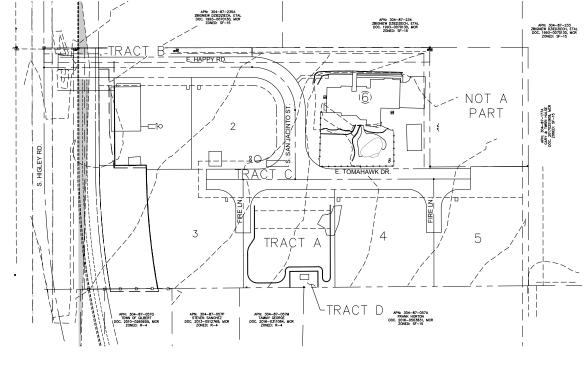
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SIDEWALK — MAG 230 ROLL C&G MAG 220-1

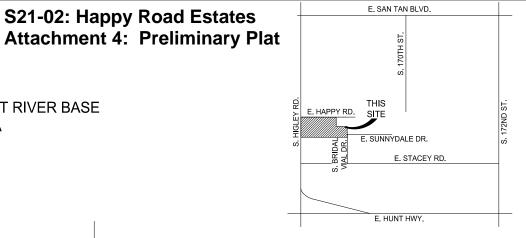






GROSS AREA:	±4.46 ACRES
NET AREA:	±3.87 ACRES
EXISTING ZONING:	SF-15
PROPOSED ZONING:	SF-15
TOTAL NUMBER OF LOTS:	6
GROSS DENSITY:	1.34 DU/AC
NET DENSITY:	1.55 DU/AC
OPEN SPACE PROVIDED (% GROSS)	0.45 ACRES (10.08% OF GROSS AREA)
	(INCLUDE TRACT A & TRACT B)
MINIMUM LOT SIZE:	15,211 SQ. FT.
AVERAGE LOT SIZE:	19,141 SQ. FT.
MIN. REQ. AVERAGE LOT AREA	15,000 SQ. FT.
MINIMUM BUILE	DING INTERIOR SETBACKS
FRONT-BUILDING	30'
SIDE-BUILDING	15'
REAR-BUILDING	30'

PROJECT - SITE DATA



VICINITY MAP

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SHEET INDEX

S21-02: Happy Road Estates

.COVER SHEET PRELIMINARY PLAT PLAN ..PRELIMINARY GRADING & DRAINAGE PLAN

ZONING:

CURRENT ZONING: SF-15

PROJECT DATA:

GROSS AREA: 4.46 AC = 194098 SF NET AREA: 3.87 AC = 168593 SF

OWNER

TANNER-FUNK HOLDINGS LLC

ENGINEER

BABBITT SMITH ENGINEERING, LLC

1140 E. GREENWAY ST., SUITE 2 MESA, ARIZONA 85203 EMAIL: darren@babbittsmith.com

BENCHMARK

MCDOT BRASS CAP IN HANHOLE FOUND AT THE INTERSECTION OF HIGLEY ROAD & SAN TAN BLVD., ASLO BEING THE WEST QUARTER CORNER OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGE 6 EAST, OF THE GILA AND SALT RIVER BASE AND MERIDIAN, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA.

ELEVATION=1353.398' (NAVD88-GDACS #20614-1

BASIS OF BEARING

THE LOCALLY ACCEPTED WEST LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGE 6 EAST OF THE GILA AND SALT RIVER BASE AND MERIDIAN, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA BEARING=N00'05'50"W(M). (ASSUMED BEARING)

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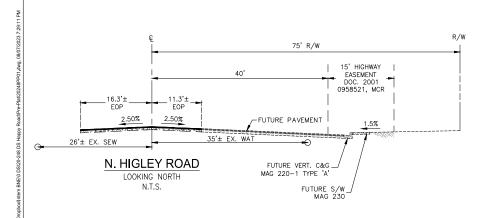
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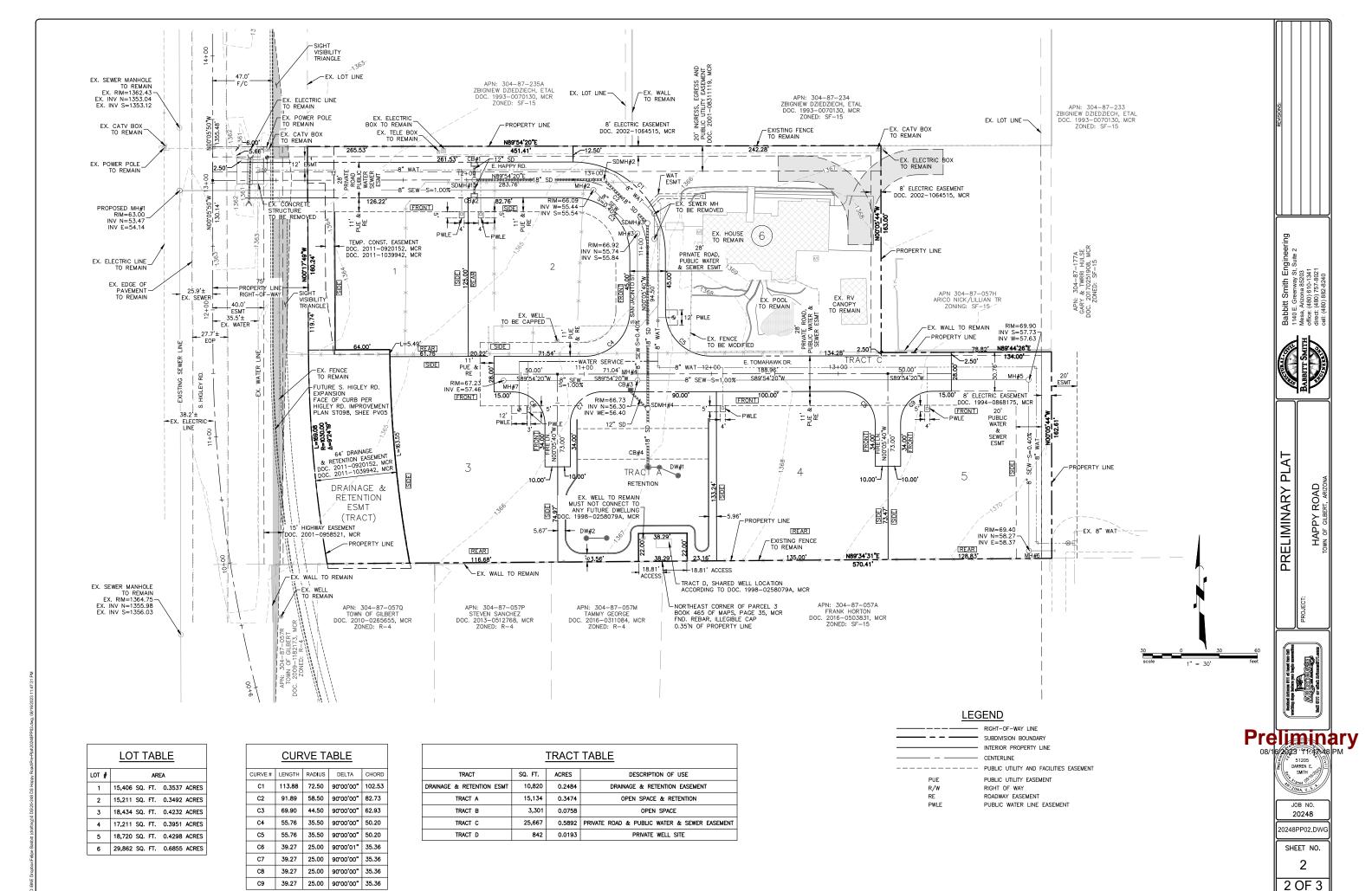
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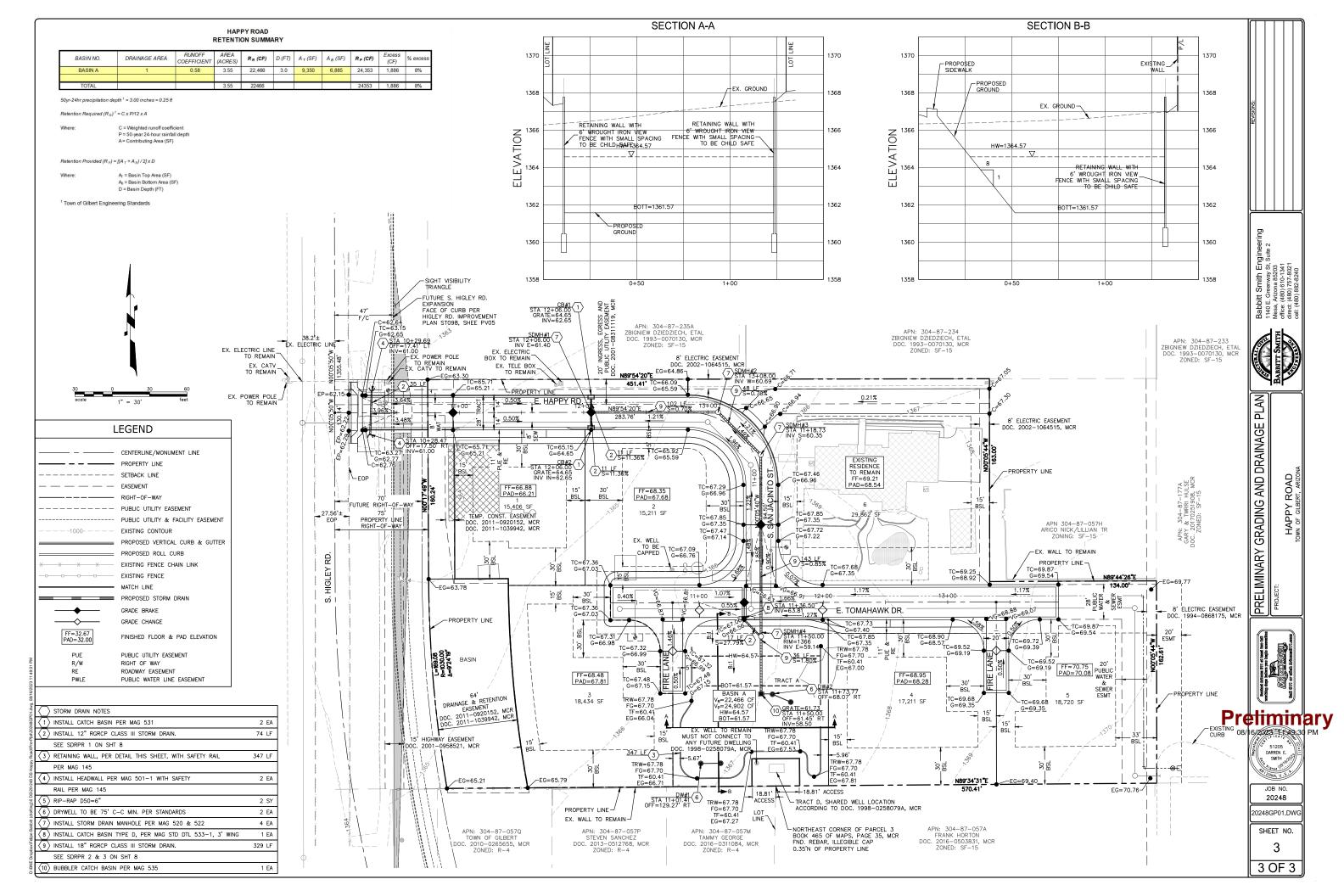
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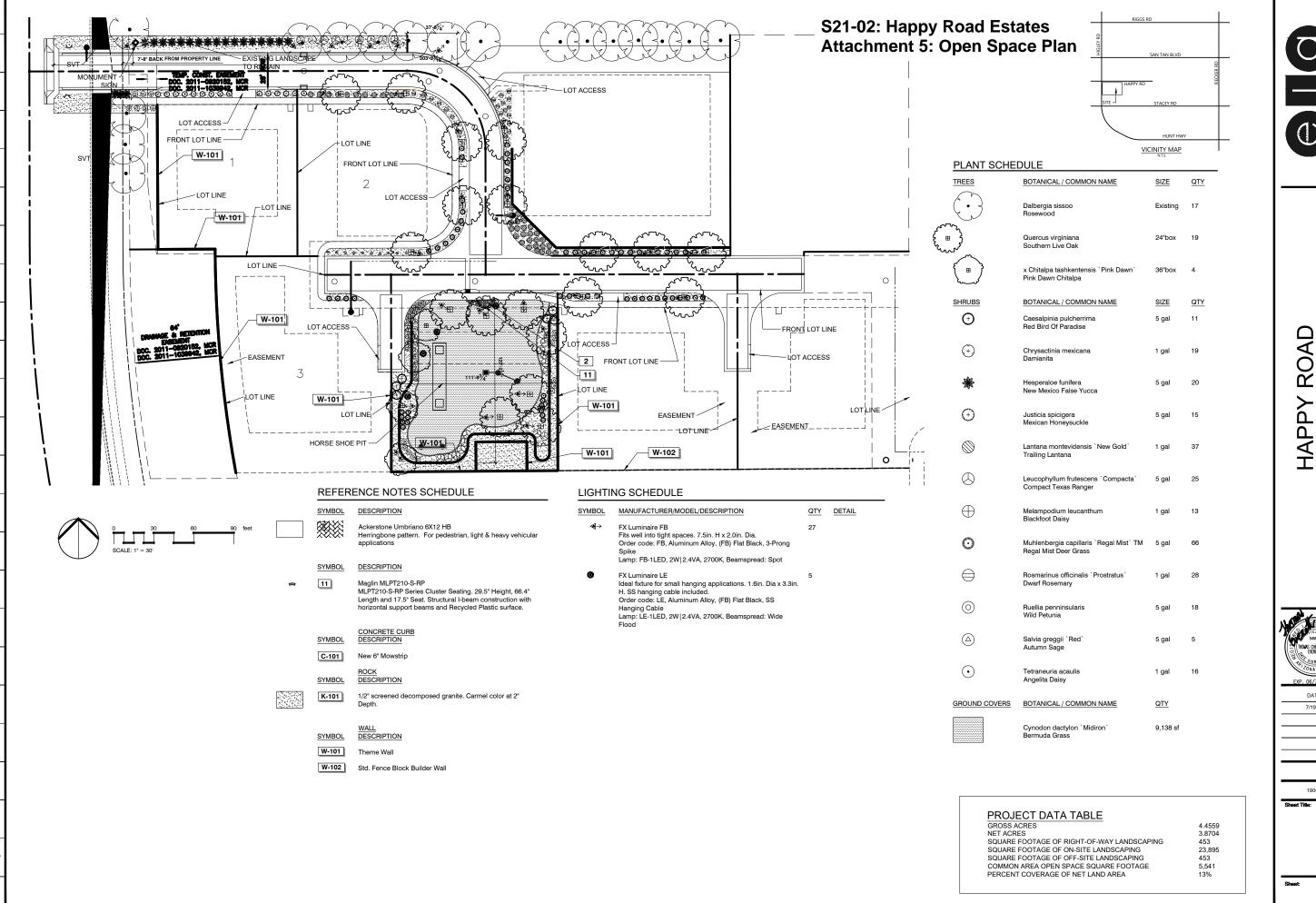
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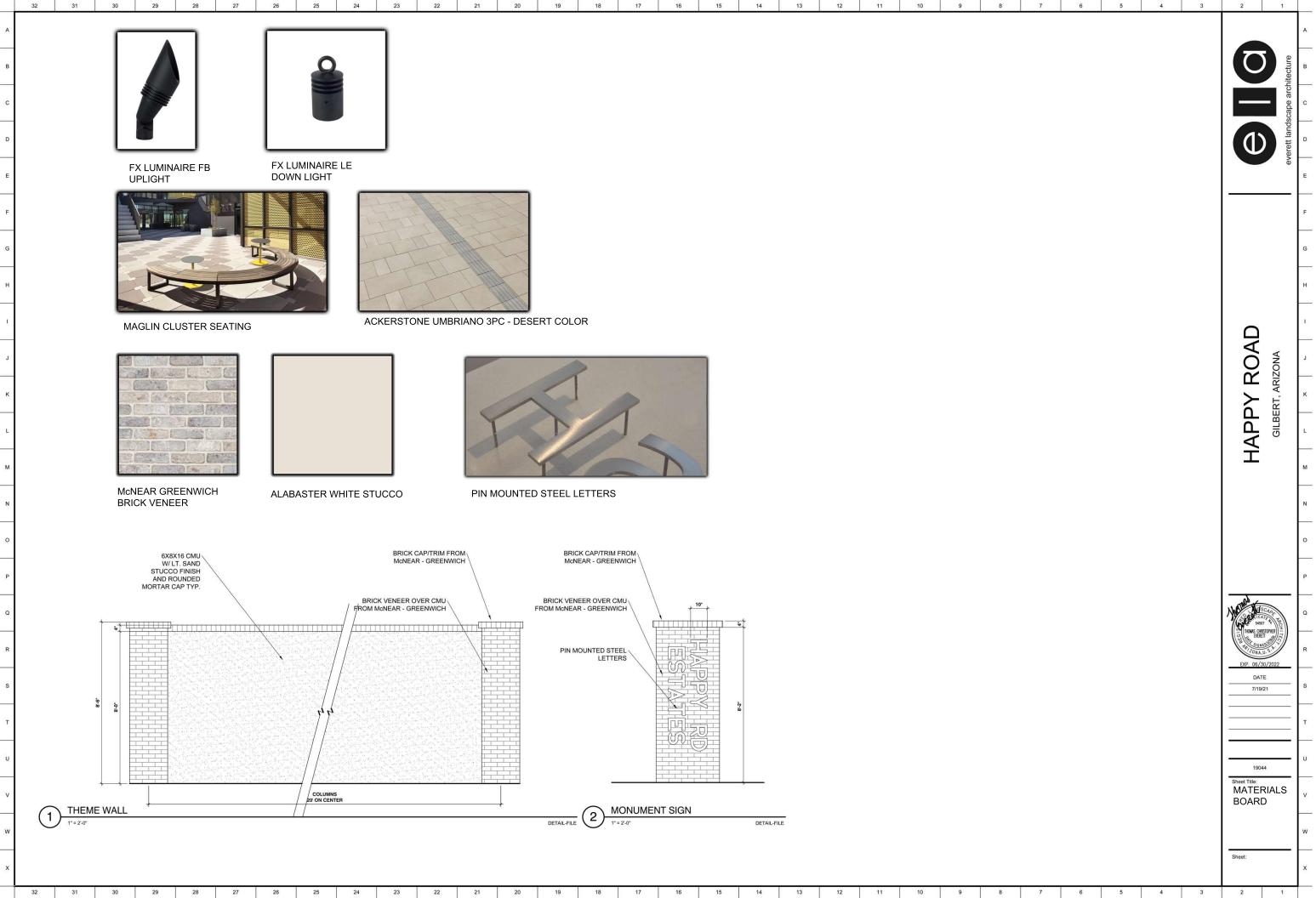




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S21-02: Happy Road Estates Attachment 6: Applicant's Narrative

Town of Gilbert
Planning Department
55 E Civic Center Dr.
Gilbert, AZ 85296

August 30, 2023

Re: Pre-Plat Application Project Narrative / Happy Road Estates / 3267 E. Happy Road

To Whom it May Concern:

On behalf of Craft Development, we are pleased to submit this Pre-Plat Application Project Narrative for the above property (APN 304-87-057S) (the "Property"). The Property is approximately 3.87 net acres in size. The Property is east of Higley Road, off of Happy Road. The project site is zoned SF-15 and is designated on the Town of Gilbert General Plan as Residential 1-2 homes per acre.

The applicant desires to replat the property into a 6-lot subdivision. The proposed development is consistent with the Gilbert General Plan Policy Goal 9 which encourages development "to have a consistent design character and to support the design of new development to maintain and support the existing character." The applicant desires to replat the property into a 6-lot subdivision with Tracts A-D as shown on the preliminary plat exhibit. The lots range in size from 15,406 sf up to 29,862 sf. Lot 6 is the existing residence and the remaining lots will be new custom homes.

Access to the site is from Happy Road. Tract C is a 28-foot-wide private drive for community access and circulation terminating in a hammer-head design. Tracts A and B will be landscaped and will also provide the required retention. The site provides approximately .41 acres of landscaping consistent with the underlying zoning standard. The Preliminary plat will create a new subdivision of high quality, custom homes that will be an ideal match for this low density, rural area.

Sincerely,

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Mesa, AZ 85213