

## City of Apache Junction



Development Services Department
Rezoning Application

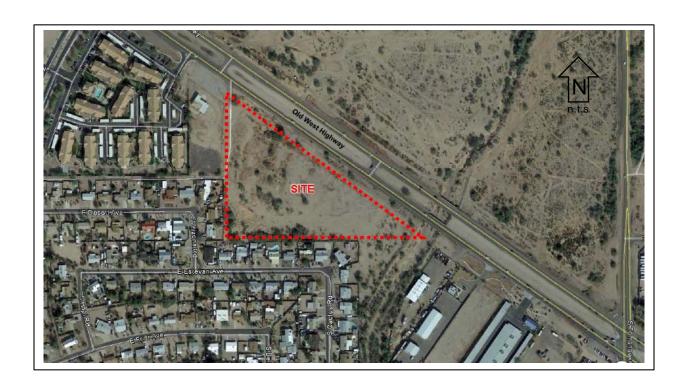
#### **Exhibit A: Rezoning Application**

SITE INFORMATION			
SITE ADDRESS/LOCATION		ASSESSORS PARCEL NO	
GROSS AREA:	NET AREA	EXISTING ZONING	
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PRO	PERY: (found on County T	ax Bill Notices or Warranty Deed)	
BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE I	PROJECT PROPOSED FOR	REZONING:	
APPLICANT INFORMATION			
Property Owner(s)			
Address			
Phone Number	Fax Number	Email	
Applicant Contact Person/Pro	iect Manager		
		Email	
Address			
Phone Number	Fax Number	Email	
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PLN Number		Date Submitted:	
Approved By:			

#### Old West Highway Village

### **Project Narrative**

Related to a Request for a rezoning from B-4 to RM-1/PD, and a Minor General Plan Amendment from Light Industrial/ Business Park to High Density Residential, to develop a 107-lot single-family platted attached residential development on approximately 7.93 net acres located on the south-side of Old West Highway, east of Royal Palm Road and west of Tomahawk Road



Revision Date: December 21, 2020

#### **Introduction:**

This revised Project Narrative is being submitted to the City of Apache Junction for consideration of the following on approximately 7.93 net acres located on the south-side of Old West Highway, east of Royal Palm Road and west of Tomahawk Road:

- Rezoning from B-4 to RM-1 / PD
- Minor General Plan Amendment from Light Industrial/Business Park to High Density Residential

These two requests are necessary in order to develop a proposed new 107-lot single-family attached residential development that is tentatively known as "Old West Highway Village". Additional details regarding these two requests are provided below.

#### **Project Description:**

Old West Highway Village is proposed to be developed on two (2) parcels totaling approximately 7.93 net acres located along the south-side of Old West Highway (formerly known as US 60), east of Royal Palm Road and west of Tomahawk Road.

The proposed development is a 107-lot, single-family attached (zero-lot line) residential townhome-type development, along with associated open space and amenities. The proposed density is approximately 13.49 dwelling units per acre (net).

The orientation of the homes, and the development itself, is designed to take advantage of the majestic views of the Superstation Mountains to the east/northeast, and will be most appealing to young professionals and families just starting their journeys together. With the recent and ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the need for thoughtful and home-office designed housing is stronger than ever.

Old West Highway Village is NOT age-restricted.

Homes are to be both two- and three-stories in height, and will be developed as 3- to 4-lot "blocks", with the interior units 3-stories in height, and the end units 2-stories in height. Homes are designed to "front" (face) each other across open space areas, with direct garage access to the rear of each unit. Each unit has its own garage.

Interior open space areas along the fronts of each homes will connect between each block of homes to circulation areas (streets, etc.), allowing for continuous walkways.

Although home designs have not yet been fully established, conceptual elevations of the proposed contemporary product from a similar project are included with the rezoning application. The final home designs will be provided at the time of Final Plat / Improvement

Plans, and will be generally consistent with the preliminary/provided elevations included with this submittal. Additional details to be included are elevations for all four sides, floor plans, architecturally distinct front doors and garage doors, recessed windows (as an option), 9-foot first floor ceilings (8' or 9' for upper floors), sconse/entry lights, and the composition of the units such as the bedroom count, floor count and square footage ranges.

OHW Village is designed to be platted for individual ownership of each lot, with a Homeowner's Association to be formed for maintenance of the common areas, which will include landscaping along Old West Highway and internal landscaped areas, as well as various amenities. A Preliminary Landscape Plan is provided with this submittal. A Final Landscape Plan will be provided with the Final Plat / Improvement Plans.

The site is presently zoned B-4 (Business Park), which is "generally intended for commercial and/or light industrial land uses".

A rezoning to RM-1 PD (High Density Multiple-Family Residential, along with a Planned Development overlay) is requested to allow the proposed development.

The Planned Development overlay is being requested to allow the following development standards, as applicable for individual lots within the project:

Development Standard	RM-1 Base Standard	Proposed RM-1 PD Development Standard
Density (max.)	13 d.u. / Acre	13.49 d.u. / Acre (net)
Development Area (min.)	7,000 sf	335,760 sf (7.7 acres)
Lot Area (min.)	N/A	1,000 sf
Lot Width (min.)	60-feet	20-feet
Lot Depth (min.)	N/A	50-feet
Front Setback (min.)	20-feet	0-feet
Side Setback (min.)	10-feet	0-feet
Street Side Setback (min.)	10-feet	0-feet
Rear Setback (min.)	20-feet	0-feet
Lot Coverage (max.)	50%	100%
Height (max.)	35-feet	35-feet / 3 Stories
Parking	2 / Unit	2 / Unit

The site is designated, under the adopted Apache Junction General Plan (2020), as Light Industrial/Business Park. A Minor General Plan Amendment is also being requested to change the land use designation of the site from Light Industrial/Business Park to High Density Residential.

Preliminary versions of the Landscape Plan and selected amenities are included. Final Plans for these, which will also indicate trails, plant details, community signage and the

full amenity package ("Amenity Package") will be provided concurrent with the Final Plat / Improvement Plans.

Access is to occur from Old West Highway. Interior streets are to be private (no gates are proposed). Any dedications and all improvements will be as required by the City of Apache Junction.



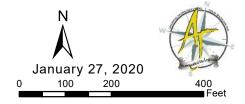


# City of Apache Junction <u>Aerial Exhibit</u> PZ-1-20

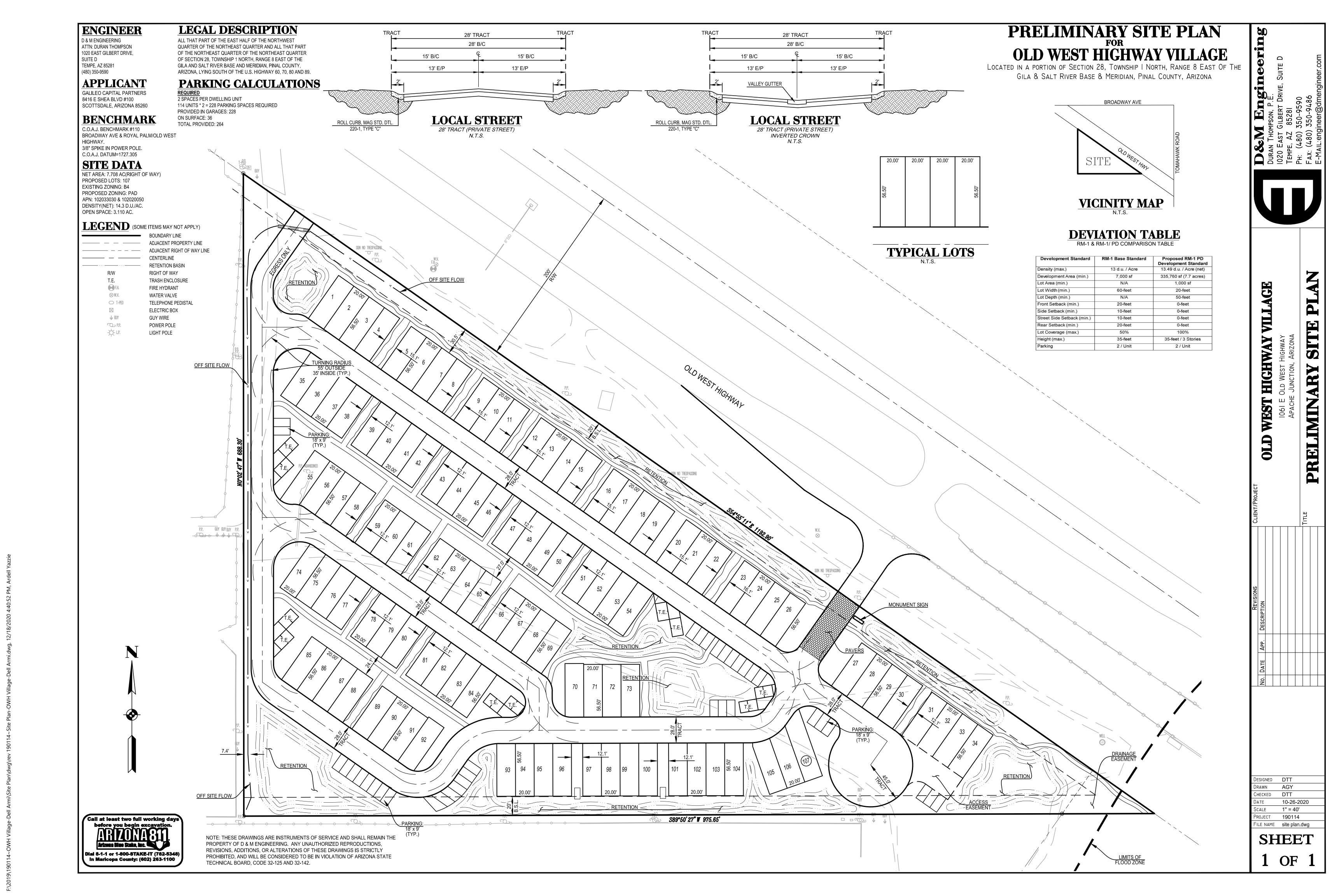
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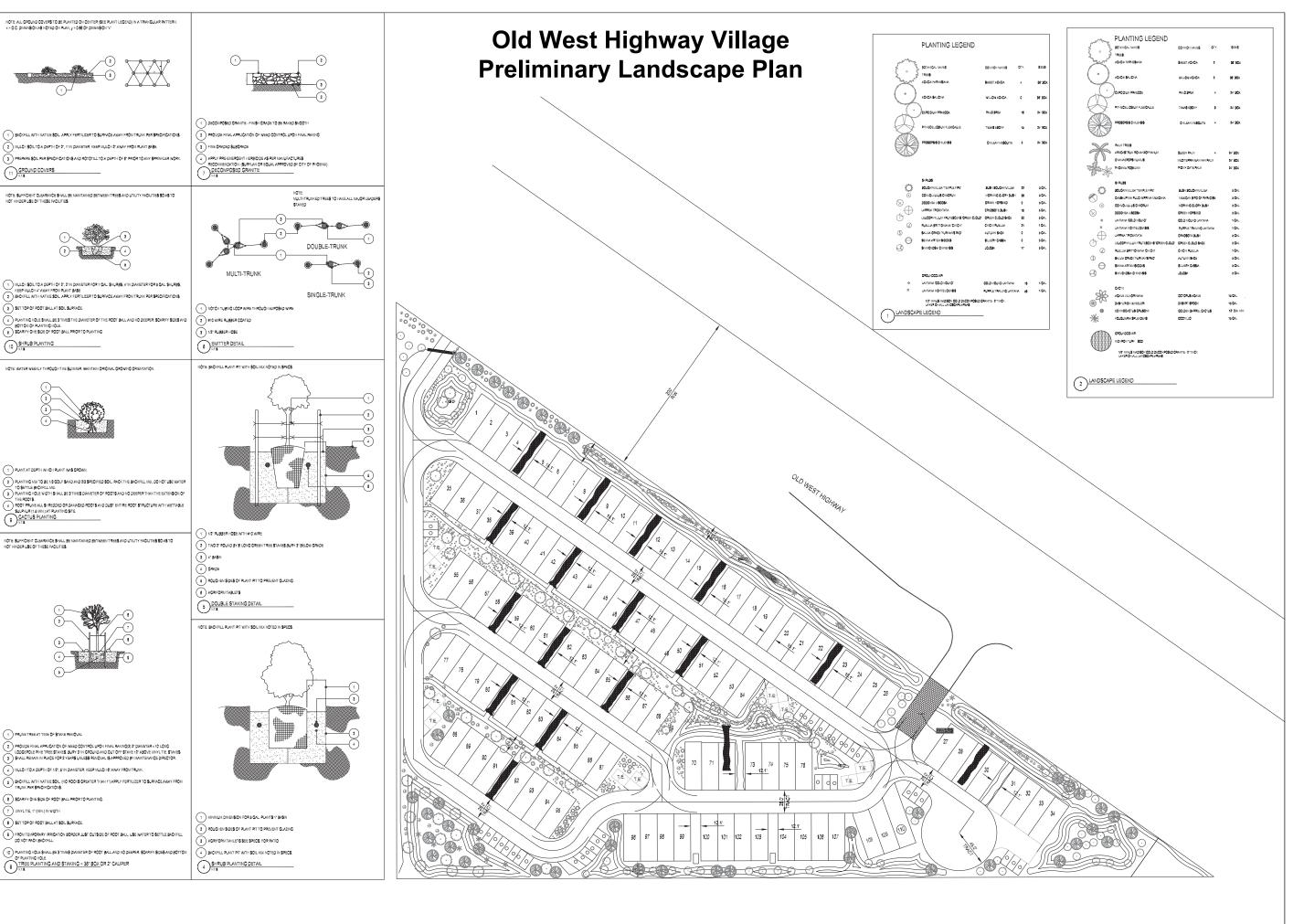
Subject Site Parcel

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To: City of Apache Junction
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nleftwich@ajcity.net
April 13, 2020

RE: Apache Junction Project PZ-1-20 – Old West Highway Village

#### **Dear Committee Members:**

I am writing to express some concerns regarding the proposed development of PZ-1-20, Old West Highway Village. I reside at 1135 So Arizona Road, Apache Junction, AZ 85119.

**View** – 2-3 stories will completely impede the view of the Superstition Mountains, 1 story homes with flat roofs would be less obstructive and much appreciated.

**Lights** – With the addition of 114 single-family homes there will be more lights and power lines added. As Arizonans, we all enjoy and take pride in our "Dark Skies" and would someday hope to earn a spot as a Designated Dark Sky City by reducing light pollution. According to the International Dark Sky Association, wildlife, health, energy, heritage, and safety are all affected.

**Privacy/Security** - Our home is open to the East and with multiple stories just feet from our backyard we would be provided no privacy or sense of security.

**Traffic** – Future need for roads and streets as well as accessibility, parking, transportation, pedestrian and bicycle needs, maintenance, and roadway improvements.

**Flood Zone** – Can we also obtain more information regarding the flood/hazard zone and risk involved (Storm Sewer Systems, storm drains for pollutants, safety issues, etc.).

**Noise Pollution Level and Environmental issues** – With the added activity and number of vehicles per unit, the noise will be compounded at all hours; nesting birds, owls, eagles and other wildlife will also be disrupted, including migration patterns.

Air Space –We are already experiencing issues with Internet access and reception

No Accommodations for children/families – No play area, no parking, schools closing.

Thank you, Nick, for your time and consideration. We hope you and your loved ones are safe and healthy. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any further developments and look forward to the next meeting to gather further understanding of the upcoming proposal.

Sincerely,

Cathy Amidon

941-524-0569

#### **Nicholas Leftwich**

From: Darice Mangin <daricemangin@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 18, 2020 11:56 AM

**To:** Nicholas Leftwich; Rudy Esquivias

**Subject:** Case PZ-1-20

TO: Rudy Esquivias / Nicholas Leftwich

As I will be unable to attend the March 17 public hearing re: Case PZ-1-20 as I will be out of town, please consider this email my statement against the B-4 high density multiple family residential proposal by planned development. I just purchased my home in October 2019 specifically for the view from my backyard. I am in the intersecting corner of the proposed lot. High density multiple-family sounds like 2+ story/high-rise apartments, and I would be extremely unhappy if my view was being taken away from me. The view was 75% of the reason I purchased this home in this location, and I also feel it would considerably lower the value of my home to have an apartment complex blocking views.

This proposal, being referred to as high density multiple family, causes major concern for both of these reasons.

Thank you Darice Mangin 930 E Desert Ave

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City of Apache Junction

**Development Services Department** 

This is in pertaining to PZ-1-20. We were informed by Greg Loper that the hearings to be held on February 25<sup>th</sup> and March 17<sup>th</sup> have been rescheduled or cancelled. We attended the meeting held by Greg Loper which was held on February 20<sup>th</sup>. From that meeting we learned that the rezoning is for multi-family residential. Concerns that were expressed dealt with traffic, noise, and compromising the view we now have of the Superstition mountain.

Greg Loper stated that the plans included two and three story units. It would be greatly appreciated if you would limit the units to no more than 2 stories. From the vicinity map you sent out, and I am attaching, I marked a red line on the properties I think would be most affected with view obstruction. The closer to the project the greater the obstruction. As far as traffic and noise we feel that also needs to be addressed. Adding more stop lights and sound barriers will probably be needed. We also talked about whether this could be changed to apartments rather than town homes. We hope that will not be allowed to happen.

Thank you for considering the requests of the of property owners in the area. Our address is: 935 E Desert Ave, Apache Junction.

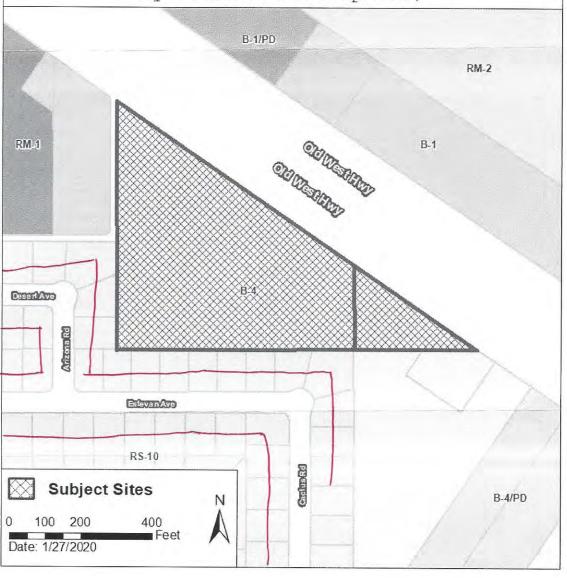
John Jaeger

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## Vicinity Map PZ-1-20

Apache Junction 772, LLC rezoning request from B-4 (Business Park ) to RM-2/PD (High Density Multiple-Family Residential by Planned Development)



#### **Nicholas Leftwich**

From: Tracy Proffitt <tracy\_arizonian@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 19, 2020 5:20 PM

**To:** Nicholas Leftwich

**Cc:** Tracy Proffitt; Doyle Proffitt

**Subject:** Case PZ - 1 - 20 rezoning of parcels 102-02-005 and 102-03-303

To: Planning and Zoning Commission and City Council,

We are homeowners that reside directly next to the proposed location for the 'Old West Highway Village'. We are against the rezoning efforts for a changing this to a high density multi-family residential and would like to point out our concerns below.

Several concerns we have:

- Impact this high density multi family rezoning on the infrastructure of the area including:
  - Already dwindling water supply.
  - Outdated electrical grid
  - o Sewer system that is already constantly being repaired/redone in the area.
  - Already struggling high speed internet infrastructure.
  - Major roadways which are already not capable of handling current traffic, including US60 which is already overcrowded between Signal Butte & Tomahawk.
  - In proposed plan from developer it appears the rain water run off will flow directly on our property which already is challenged to drain well.
- Usually high density residential areas are prone to higher crime and noise levels.
  - We have already been robbed of property in the 7 years we have been homeowners in the area.
  - This will also put an increase strain on fire and police resources as well as how will this impact our taxes in Apache Junction.
- Traffic in our neighborhood specifically Royal Palm will increase because it will be a more convenient route without any stops.
- When we purchased our retirement home in Apache Junction the most appealing about the
  area was it was peaceful and we have a great view of the Superstition Mountains. If a High
  density multi family residential area goes in the proposed location we will completely lose our
  view and their property value will benefit from the view.
- It would be a more acceptable option for a standard residential location however we think it is a huge mistake to zone this location as a high density multi family residential.
  - The current multi family housing in the immediate area is already an eyesore due to the lack of maintenance, lack of city code enforcement, and overcrowding.

Sincerely,

#### Apache Junction Homeowners

Tracy & Doyle Proffitt

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Apache Junction, AZ 85119

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