

Road Vacation Staff Report

DATE: APRIL 25, 2024

TO: DOUGLAS COUNTY PLANNING COMMISION

FROM: MIKE PESICKA, PRINCIPAL PLANNER

JEANETTE BARE, AICP, PLANNING MANAGER

STEVEN E. KOSTER, AICP, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF PLANNING SERVICES

VACATION OF CERTAIN ROADS IN MERIBEL VILLAGE FILING 1 SUBJECT:

PROJECT FILE: SB2023-043

OWNFR: APPLICANT:

DOUGLAS COUNTY GARRY LAWRENZ BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS 2080 SKY VIEW LANE **100 THIRD STREET** LARKSPUR, CO 80118

CASTLE ROCK, CO 80104

KAMIL B. TAZI

6250 STATTER CIRCLE, UNIT A

LARKSPUR, CO 80118

MAY 6, 2024 @ 6:00 P.M. PLANNING COMMISSION HEARING: **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HEARING:** JUNE 11, 2024 @2:30 P.M.

I. **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The request is for approval of a road vacation to vacate certain unused rights-of-way (ROW) in Meribel Village Filing 1. These roads were established by plat in 1971 but were never improved and have not been used as public roads. A private access easement will be recorded as part of the vacation resolution to allow for continued access to Lot 1 of Block 18, Meribel Village Filing 1, which is owned by the Cadiz family. Ownership of the vacated portions of Sinclaire Blvd and Gaillardia Road will be given to the applicants, Kamil Tazi and Garry Lawrenz, respectively, along with the other roads as depicted on Exhibit A of the vacation resolution. The applicants own numerous single-family detached residential lots which abut the ROW to be vacated.

The applicants have submitted a concurrent administrative lot line vacation to combine the multiple Suburban Residential (SR) zoned lots into 3 larger lots. A zone map change to rezone these lots from SR to Agricultural One (A-1) will also be requested.

II. REQUEST

A. Request

The request is for approval of a road vacation of approximately 18.14 acres of ROW, with a private access easement to be provided to the owners of Lot 1, Block 18, Meribel Village Filing 1.

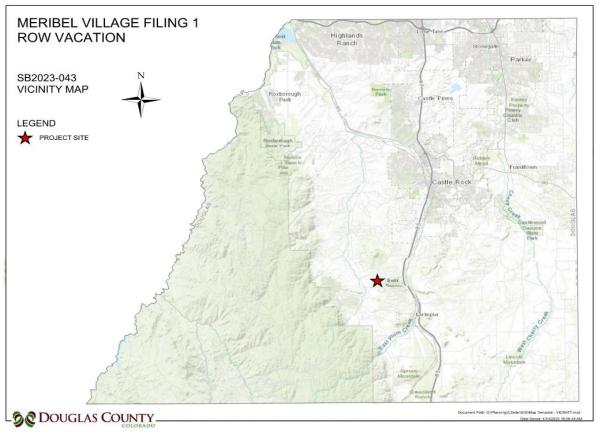
B. Process

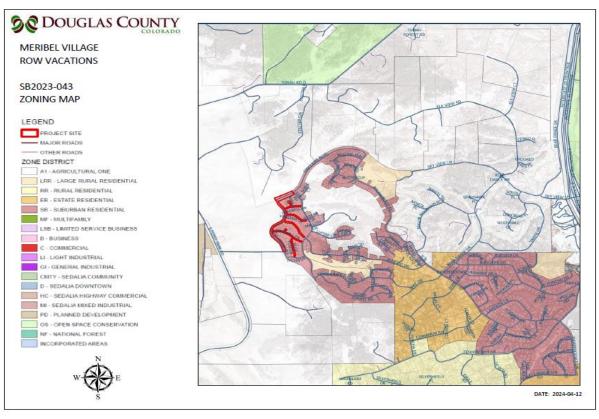
A road vacation application is processed pursuant to Article 7B of the *Douglas County Subdivision Resolution (DCSR)*. Article 7B states that the intent of the process is "to provide a review process for a road vacation either when no replatting or realignment is proposed, or when a replat or realignment is proposed."

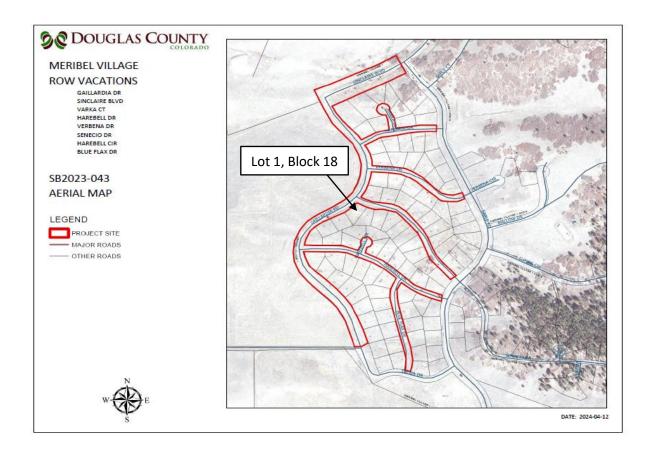
Per Section 709B.04 of the *DCSR*, "The Planning Commission shall evaluate the application, referral comments, staff report, and public testimony, and make a recommendation to the Board to approve, approve with conditions, table for further study, or deny the vacation request. The Planning Commission's decision shall be based on the evidence presented and compliance with the adopted standards, regulations, policies and other guidelines."

C. Location

The ROWs under consideration are located approximately ½ mile east of S. Perry Park Road, west of Sable Road, south of Sinclaire Blvd, and north of Ivesia Drive within Meribel Village Filing 1. The vicinity, zoning and aerial maps on the following pages shows the location of the proposal within the Meribel Village Filing 1 subdivision.







D. Project Description

The applicant is proposing a vacation of certain roads within the south-central area of Douglas County. The roads to be vacated are all within the Meribel Village Filing 1 subdivision. The roads requested to be vacated are Arnka Court, Blue Fax Drive, Harebell Circle, Harebell Drive, Senecio Drive, Verbena Drive, and portions of Gaillardia Road and Sinclaire Blvd. Portions of Sinclaire Blvd and Gaillardia Road, as described in the vacation resolution, will be given to Garry Lawrenz and Kamil Tazi, the applicants, and adjacent property owners.

The ROW to be vacated totals approximately 18.14 acres and is located within the Suburban Residential (SR) zone district. The vacation resolution provides that ownership of the vacated ROW will be distributed to Kamil Tazi and Garry Lawrenz, both of whom are also the applicants for the vacation request. If the ROW vacation is approved, then the applicants are proposing the creation of three new lots that will absorb the vacated ROW via an administrative replat that is being processed concurrently with the ROW application. In addition, the applicants will provide a private access easement for the owners of Lot 1, Block 18, Meribel Village Filing 1 to maintain the owners' ability to access the property.

III. CONTEXT

A. Background

B. In 1971, the Board approved the Meribel Village Filing 1 subdivision, which created 502 residential lots zoned Suburban Residential (SR). All lots are 0.5-acre or greater in size. At the time the Meribel Village final plat was approved, the County did not require developers to enter into a Subdivision Improvement Agreement (SIA) to ensure that necessary public improvements (roads, water, sewer, and other improvements) were constructed. With no roads, water lines, or sewer lines in place, most lots in Meribel Village cannot be developed as currently platted and zoned. There have been multiple administrative replats approved in the Meribel Village subdivision to consolidate smaller lots into larger properties. In some cases, downzoning has also been approved allowing a limited number of homes to be constructed on larger lots utilizing private driveways and individual well and septic systems. The applicants are requesting that the unused and unbuilt ROW be vacated and merged into three new lots to be created via an associated administrative replat.

B. Adjacent Land Uses and Zoning

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	Zoning	Land Use
North	Agricultural One	Agricultural and Residential uses
South	Agricultural One and Suburban Residential	Agricultural and Residential uses
East	Agricultural One and Suburban Residential	Agricultural and Residential uses, undeveloped platted Residential lots
West	Agricultural One	Agricultural and Residential uses

IV. PHYSICAL SITE CHARACTERISTICS

A. Site Characteristics and Constraints

The ROWs are 60 feet wide and of varying length. Two cul-de-sacs will also be vacated (Arnka Court and Harebell Circle).

C. Access

Access to the property and adjoining parcels and lots will continue to be available via Sable Road, Ivesia Drive, and Sinclaire Blvd, as well as a private easement that will recorded to provide access to Lot 1, Block 18.

C. Soils and Geology

No known environmental hazards are located within the portion of ROW.

D. Drainage and Erosion

Engineering has reviewed the request and did not have any comments regarding the vacation request.

E. Floodplain

There is no FEMA-mapped 100-year floodplain identified on the site.

V. PROVISION OF SERVICES

A. Fire Protection

Larkspur Fire provides firefighting and emergency medical services to the project area. Larkspur Fire responded to the referral agency review request and requested that the applicant submit for permit to determine fire flow and access. This will occur at the time of building permit for a new residence.

B. Sheriff Services

The Douglas County Sheriff's Office (DCSO) provides police protection to the site and did not respond to the referral request.

C. Water

Properties within Meribel Village Filing 1 are not served by a water district. A few larger lots are served by individual wells. The proposed road vacation will not require additional water.

D. Sanitation

Properties within Meribel Village Filing 1 are not within a sanitation district with a few larger lots served by individual on-site wastewater treatment systems (OWTS). The proposed road vacation will not require sanitation and sewer improvements.

E. Utilities

Area utility service providers were provided a referral on this application. AT&T, Black Hills Energy, CenturyLink, Comcast, and Xcel Energy did not respond to the referral request. CORE had no comment on the request. Utility easements on Lot 1, Block 18 will remain.

F. Dedications

The portions of ROW were dedicated to the Board at the time of subdivision; therefore, if approved, it will be formally vacated through a resolution per Article 709B of the *DCSR*. Ownership of the vacated portion of right-of-way will be assigned to the owners of the abutting lots via the right-of-way vacation resolution.

VI. PUBLIC NOTICE AND INPUT

In accordance with Article 710B of the *DCSR*, notice of the hearing must be sent by certified mail to each abutting landowner, published in the newspaper, and posted on the property at least 14 days prior to the public hearing.

Courtesy Notices of an application in process were sent to adjacent property owners. The owners of Lot 1, Block 18 responded objecting to the vacation request and their response is included was an attachment to the staff report. No other adjacent property owners or members of the public have provided comments on the proposal. The applicant has provided a written response to referral and public comments.

VII. STAFF ANALYSIS

A road vacation may be approved upon the finding by the Board of County Commissioners that the following standards have been met:

705B.01 A platted or deeded road or portion thereof, or unplatted or undefined roads which have arisen by public usage, shall not be vacated so as to leave any land adjoining said road without an established public road or private access easement connecting said land with another established public road.

<u>Staff Comment</u>: Access to Lot 1, Block 18 will not be affected by vacation of the ROW as the applicant will be recording a private access easement for this lot. All adjoining properties will continue to obtain public access via the existing public rights of way or access easements.

705B.02 A vacation of a state highway must be approved by the Transportation Commission.

<u>Staff Comment</u>: The ROW is not a state highway. Therefore, this request does not require the approval of the Transportation Commission.

705B.03 The road vacation, or vacation and replat, is keeping with the spirit and intent of the *Douglas County Subdivision Resolution*, and the *Douglas County Comprehensive Master Plan* and *Transportation Plan*.

<u>Staff Comment</u>: This road vacation maintains the intent of the DCSR, the Douglas County Master Plan, and the Transportation Plan. Access to the existing lots will be maintained. The unused ROWs are not needed to provide access to other adjoining properties.

705B.04 The road vacation will not diminish the ability to provide adequate emergency services and will not increase the cost of services.

Staff Comment: All necessary emergency services are in place to serve the area.

705B.05 The approval will not adversely affect the public health, safety and welfare. <u>Staff Comment</u>: There are no adverse impacts created with the road vacation.

VIII. STAFF ASSESSMENT

Staff has evaluated the road vacation request in accordance with Article 7B of the *DCSR*. In addition to the private access easement and administrative replat, the applicants have

indicated that they will follow this process with a zone map change to rezone the three large lots to A-1.

Should the Planning Commission find that the approval standards for the road vacation are met, the following proposed conditions should be considered for inclusion in its recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners:

- 1. Prior to recordation of the Road Vacation Resolution, all minor technical corrections shall be made to the satisfaction of Douglas County.
- 2. Concurrent with the recordation of the Road Vacation Resolution, the applicant shall record the private access easement for access to Lot 1, Block 18, of Meribel Village Filing 1.
- 3. Concurrent with the recordation of the Road Vacation Resolution, the applicants shall complete and record the concurrently submitted administrative replat application.

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LAND USE APPLICATION

Please fill in this application form completely. An incomplete application will not be processed.

Note: Neither the Planning Commission nor the Board of County Commissioners should be contacted regarding an open application.

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PROJECT NAME: ROW Vacation Meribel Village Filing 1 Block 15,16,17,18,19. Includes Harebell Cir., Gaillardia Rd., A Portion of Senecio Dr., Verbena Dr., Arnka Ct., Blue Flax [the ROW's named; Harebell Dr.
PROJECT TYPE: RIGHT OF WAY VACATION	
MARKETING NAME: THREE PINE RIDGE OWNER NAME: PHOENIX LARKSPUR LLC	
Address: 2080 Sky View Lane Larkspur CO 80118	
Phone: Principals: Garry Lawrenz, 303.619.1364 And Kamil Tazi	_
Email: Garry.Lawrenz@outlook.com, kbtazi@me.com	
Garry Lawrenz	Name:
Address 2080 SKY VIEW Lave, Larksen, Co	80118
Phone: 303 - 619 - 1364	_
Email: garry, lawrenz @ outlook, com	_
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:	
Subdivision Name: MERIBEL VILLAGE FILING 1 Blk 15,16,17,18,19,20 (SEE ATTACHED DE	TAIL)
Lot #: Block #: Section #: Township:	Range:
STATE PARCEL NUMBER(S):	
Filing #:	
ZONING:	
Present Zoning: SR Proposed Zoning: A1 Gross	s Acreage: 65 A M/L
Gross Site Density (DU per AC): # of Lots or Units Proposed:	

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	/	Applicant Signature		Date	
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Department of Community Development

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PREBLE'S MEADOW JUMPING MOUSE

What is the Prebles' meadow jumping mouse?

The Preble's meadow jumping mouse is a rare mouse designated by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service as a "threatened species" under the Endangered Species Act. The federal threatened species designation prohibits the unlawful "take" of the Preble's meadow jumping mouse or its habitat.

Where does the mouse live?

The Preble's meadow jumping mouse lives primarily in heavily vegetated riparian habitats. In Douglas County, the mouse has been located in or near many drainages, including tributaries and the main stream reaches, of East and West Plum Creek. However, any stream reach or potential habitat within Douglas County may be subject to the requirements of the Endangered Species Act.

The mouse has also been found in Boulder, Elbert, El Paso, Jefferson and Larimer counties and in parts of Wyoming.

What activities may be considered a violation of the Endangered Species Act?

In its listing decision, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service identified activities that may result in violation of the Endangered Species Act to include:

 Unauthorized or unpermitted collection, handling, harassing, or taking of the species; Vacation of Certain Roads in Meribel Village Filing 1 Project File# SB2023-043 Planning Commission Staff Report - Page 10 of 38

ANY APPROVAL GIVEN BY DOUGLAS COUNTY DOES NOT OBVIATE THE NEED TO COMPLY WITH APPLICABLE FEDERAL. STATE, OR LOCAL LAWS AND/OR REGULATIONS.

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- 2. Activities that directly or indirectly result in the actual death or injury death of the mouse, or that modify the known habitat of the species, thereby significantly modifying essential behavioral patterns (e.g., plowing, mowing, or cutting; conversion of wet meadow or riparian residential, commercial, habitats to industrial. recreational areas, or cropland; overgrazing; road and trail construction; water development or impoundment: mineral extraction or processing; offhighway vehicle use: and, hazardous material cleanup or bioremediation); and;
- The application or discharge of agrichemicals, or other pollutants, and pesticides, onto plants, soil, ground water, or

Phoenix Larkspur LLC 2080 Sky View Lane Larkspur CO 80118

August 7, 2023

Douglas County Planning Department 100 3rd St Castle Rock Colorado 80104

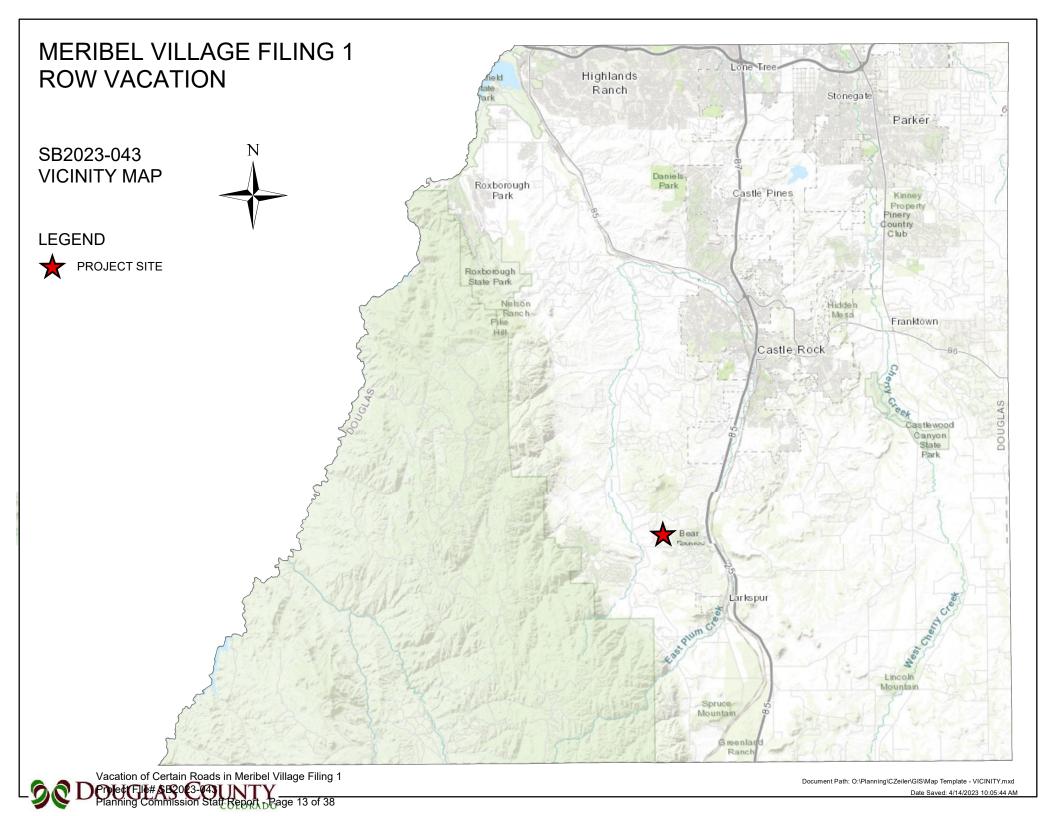
LAND USE APPLICATION NARRATIVE: ROW Vacation

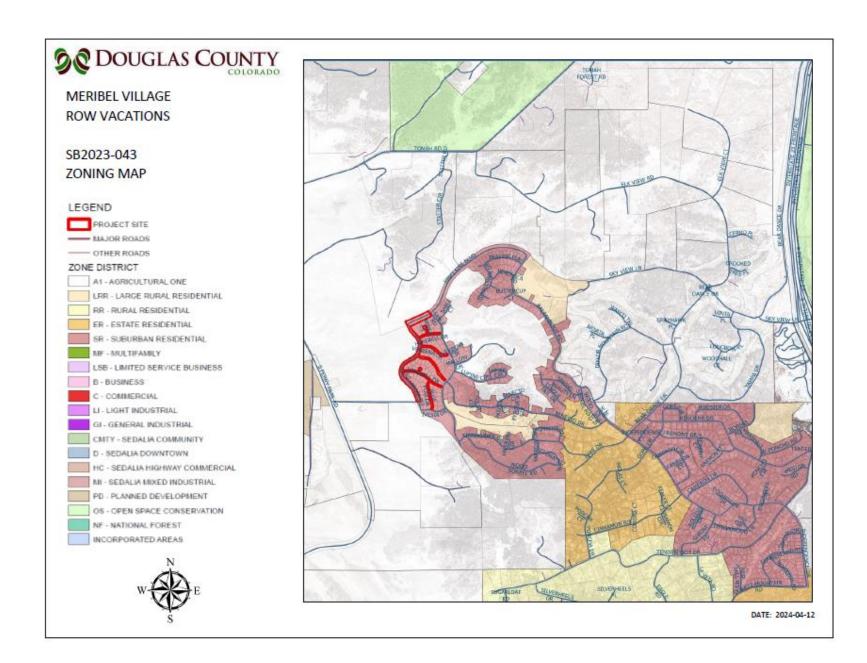
Garry Lawrenz and Kamil Tazi as principals of Phoenix Larkspur LLC are requesting a ROW Vacation Article 7B (DCSR), comprised of their current property holdings within Meribel Village Filing 1. The property currently has 7 roads that were created with the recorded Plat in 1971, reception #1971144862. The roads and the associated lots are not improved and the owners seek to fold the unused public roads into their holdings. Access by private drive, is provided by Sinclaire Blvd, currently owned by Phoenix Larkspur LLC. An easement will be created and included with this application for access by adjacent property owners.

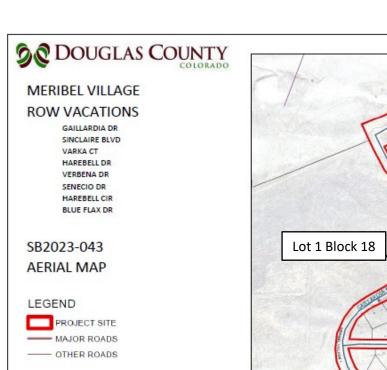
- The ROW Vacation will conform with Article 7B, Road Vacation of the Douglas County Subdivision Resolution (DCSR)
- The roads referenced in the attached exhibit were platted in 1971 and have not been improved to Douglas County Access standards. These public roads have laid fallow and overgrown during the 50 years since creation.
- No soil or topographical changes will be made with this ROW Vacation.
- No zoning changes are requested with this application
- Adequate roads and access exist for the zoning and nature of the property via a private road (Sinclaire Blvd)
- This Vacation will not disturb any natural or cultural resources
- The property has available access for all necessary services, fire, police, recreation, utilities, for the current zoning and nature of the property
- No drainage easements as dedicated via Meribel Village 1 will be vacated at this time.
- The current 10' wide utility easements as dedicated via the Meribel Village Filing
 1 Plat will not be vacated.
- The current ingress and egress across private property remains unchanged with this replat request.
- No new or additional development or residential structures are planned with this request

- Arnka Court, Harebell Drive, Verbena Drive, a portion of Senecio Dr, Harebell Cir, Blue Flax Drive, Gaillardia Road, all Douglas County public ROW, will be vacated with this request.
- This ROW vacation request will be submitted to the Douglas County Planning Commission
- Posted, published and public notice will be executed for this application and ROW Vacation
- All property acquired via this ROW Vacation should be allocated/added to the lots and property under the ownership of Phoenix Larkspur LLC. No allocation should be made under this application to any other property owner.
- This application is consistent with the Comprehensive Master Plan
- The road vacation will not diminish the ability to provide adequate emergency services and will not increase the cost of services
- The approval will not adversely affect the public health, safety, and welfare

Respectfully submitted			
Garry Lawrenz, Principal, Phoenix Larkspur LLC			
Kamil Tazi Principal Phoenix Larkspur II C			









DATE: 2024-04-12

Agency	Date Received	Agency Response	Response Resolution
Addressing Analyst	02/09/2024	No Comment:	
Assessor	02/21/2024	Received: Please be aware of the following comments and concerns: > The LEGAL DESCRIPTION and VACATION APPROVAL CERTIFICATE have "All of Varka Court" should this be Arnka Court? Arnka Court is not referenced in the legal description and Varka Court is not on the vacation plat. > Note 5 does not give ownership information for ROW vacation. > To avoid any ambiguity of ownership please consider putting identifiers on the vacated split portions of ROWs for Sinclaire Blvd and Gaillardia Rd. Then reference C.R.S. 43-2-302 (1)(f) and specify ownership based off identifiersIn an email dated April 3, 2024, the Assessor stated that all comments have been addressed.	Applicant's Response: Comments from the Assessor have been addressed.
AT&T Long Distance - ROW		No Response Received:	No Response Required.
Black Hills Energy		No Response Received:	No Response Required.
Building Services		No Response Received:	No Response Required.
CenturyLink		No Response Received:	No Response Required.
Comcast		No Response Received:	No Response Required.
CORE Electric Cooperative	02/22/2024	No Comment:	No Response Required.
Douglas County Parks and Trails Douglas County School	02/06/2024	Received: No Concerns. No Response Received:	No Response Required. No Response Required.
District RE 1		To hesponse neceived.	no nesponse negatica.
Engineering Services	02/06/2024	Received: Engineering has no concerns regarding the proposed right-of-way vacations. Please provide us with a copy of the proposed private access easement for our review prior to recording the document.	Applicant's Response: Private access easement has been provided for review. Engineering and Attorney's Office have found the easements to be acceptable.

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Larkspur FD	02/05/2024	Received: This essentially is creating a new subdivision whereby they would be required to submit for a permit from us to do fire flow, fire department access, etc.	This in not creating a new subdivision. This is vacating roads and lots within an existing subdivision. Applicants will coordinate with Larkspur Fire should any homes be built in the future.
		Please have them contact the Larkspur Fire Marshal directly wdiershow@larkspurfire.org or 970-397-8284	
Office of Emergency Management	02/01/2024	Received: OEM has no concerns with this project.	No Response Required.
Open Space and Natural Resources	02/06/2024	No Comment:	No Response Required.
Perry Park ACC		No Response Received:	No Response Required.
Perry Park East HOA		No Response Received:	No Response Required.
Sage Port HOA		No Response Received:	No Response Required.
Sheriff's Office		No Response Received:	No Response Required.
Sheriff's Office E911		No Response Received:	No Response Required.
Town of Larkspur		No Response Received:	No Response Required.
Xcel Energy-Right of Way & Permits		No Response Received:	No Response Required.

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February 6, 2024

Garry Lawrenz
Principal
Phoenix Larkspur, LLC
2080 Sky View Lane
Larkspur, CO 80118

Subj: Meribel Village Filing #1 – Right-of-Way Vacation

Dear Garry,

Plan Review Summary:

Submitted to Engineering - 2/1/24 Comments Sent Out - 2/6/24

Engineering has no concerns regarding the proposed right-of-way vacations. Please provide us with a copy of the proposed private access easement for our review prior to recording the document.

If you have any questions, please give me a call.

Sincerely,

Chuck Smith

Development Review Engineer

cc: Matt Williams, P.E.; Assistant Director of Public Works Engineering

Mike Pesicka, Principal Planner

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LARKSPUR FIRE REFERRAL COMMENTS-SB2023-043

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Please have them contact the Larkspur Fire Marshal directly wdiershow@larkspurfire.org or 970-397-8284

From: Mark Rankin
To: Michael Pesicka

Subject: RE: Meribel Village ROW Vacation-SB2023-043

Date: Wednesday, April 3, 2024 12:22:41 PM

Howdy Mike,

All the comments from 2/22/2024 have been addressed and fixed.

Have a great day.

Cheers,

Mark Rankin GIS Specialist II | Douglas County Assessor 301 Wilcox Street | Castle Rock, CO 80104 303-660-7450 ext. 4255 | 303-479-9751 Fax

From: Michael Pesicka <mpesicka@douglas.co.us>

Sent: Monday, April 1, 2024 11:08 AM **To:** Mark Rankin < MRankin@douglas.co.us>

Subject: Meribel Village ROW Vacation-SB2023-043

Mark,

Attached are revised documents from the applicant for the proposed vacation of certain roads in Meribel Village Filing 1, Project No. SB2023-043. Please let me know if you have any comments or questions.

Thank you,

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Office of Emergency Management	02/01/2024	Received: OEM has no concerns with this project.	Acknowledged
Open Space and Natural Resources	02/06/2024	No Comment:	Acknowledged
Perry Park ACC		No Response Received:	N/A
Perry Park East HOA		No Response Received:	N/A
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Sheriff's Office		No Response Received:	N/A
Sheriff's Office E911		No Response Received:	N/A
Town of Larkspur		No Response Received:	N/A
Xcel Energy-Right of Way & Permits		No Response Received:	N/A
Benjamin Cadiz, owner Lot 1 Block 18 Meribel Village 1	2/21/2024	No Right of Way to our Property	Lot 1 Block 18 Meribel Village 1 has been granted a perpetual 20 ft Easement. This Easement has been reviewed by the Engineering department and the County Attorney's Office for Douglas County and they find no objection. The Easement will be recorded with The Three Pine Ridge Plat. The Easement is part of the Ingress and Egress for the Three Pines Ridge development and will be improved access for all property owners adjacent. A Utility Easement has been designated on the Plat

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Scott Cadiz, owner Lot 1 Block 18 Meribel Village 1	2/22/2024	See Attached comments from email of Scott Cadiz (Attachment A)	Lot 1 Block 18 Meribel Village 1 has been granted a perpetual 20 ft Easement. This Easement has been reviewed by the Engineering department and the County Attorney's Office for Douglas County and they find no objection. The Easement will be recorded with The Three Pine Ridge Plat. The Easement is part of the Ingress and Egress for the Three Pines Ridge development and will be improved access for all property owners adjacent. A utility easement has been designated on the Plat.



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REFERRAL RESPONSE REQUEST

Date sent: February 1, 2024	Comments due by: February 22, 2024	
Project Name: Meribel Village Filing	g 1 Right-of-Way (ROW) vacation	
Project File #: SB2023-043		
Project and Sinclaire Blvd associated administration	rnka Court, Blue Fax Drive, Harebell Circle, Harebell e, Verbena Drive, and portions of Gaillardia Drive all within Meribel Village Filing 1. There is an rative replat application, Project No. SB2023-042, to sting lots and the above-mentioned roads into three	
Information on the identified development Please review and comment in the space p	nt proposal located in Douglas County is enclosed.	
☐ No Comment		
Please be advised of the following concerns:		
No right of u	right of way to our property	
See letter attached for detail.		
Agency:	Phone #: 700 - 209 - 2334	
Your Name: Benjamin Cadiz	Your Signature: Benjamia (nd)	

Additional information and documents can be found at www.douglas.co.us/pro and performing a

Date: 2/2/

Project Search for the Project Number provided above. You can details within the project file. Agencies should be advised t comments prior to the due date, or to obtain the applicant's writter result in written comments being accepted for informational purport

(please print)

Sincerely,

Mike Pesicka

Mike Pesicka, Principal Planner

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Douglas County Planning

I would like to voice my concerns on project SB2023-043.

Allowing the request to vacate all the roads in and around Meribel Village would leave no access to our property besides a narrow (one car) easement. I believe there should be at least one right of way (ROW) left to our property out of the 7 ROW's that were initially planned. The developers also have asked for the vacated ROW land to be "absorbed" into their property. We also would like to "absorb" the vacated roads adjacent to our property. Our property may not be buildable at this time, but may be in the future. As of now we should still be able to access our property, without the developers trying to grab any and all pieces of land out there.

Senecio Drive and Gaillardia Road are adjacent to our property.

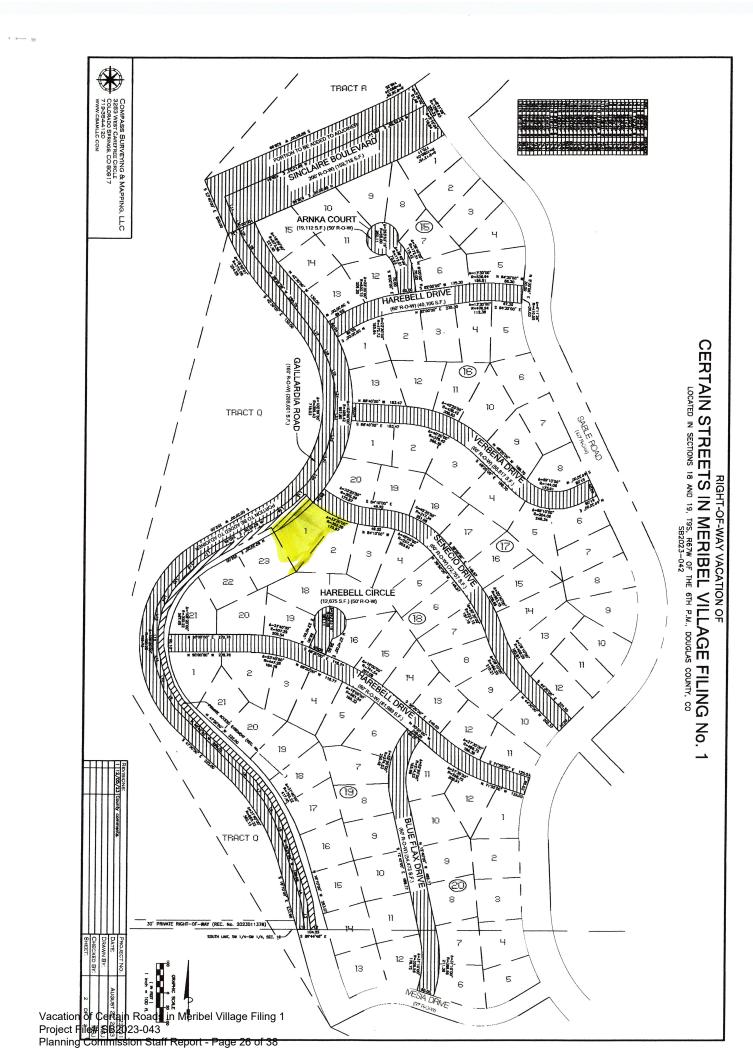
Please allow us to access our property by allowing at least ROW not an easement to our property.

Attached is the ROW vacation map from the developers with our lot highlighted.

Thank you,

Benjamin Cadiz

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From: Scott Cadiz

To: Michael Pesicka

Subject: Projects SB2023-042(Three Pine Ridge) and SB2023-043 (Meribel Village Filing 1 Right-of-Way Vacation)

Date: Thursday, February 22, 2024 12:03:30 AM

Mr. Pesicka,

Sorry for the late notice on these matters and I know there may not have been time to return calls this afternoon regarding this matter as I was trying to get some clarification on a few points of the projects. However, I wanted to reach out as one of only a few affected property owners of these two proposed projects and have my comments included in opposition of the proposals. My family and I own approximately one half-acre lot in the 'project site' which, according to the applicants, is one of only three lots not owned by the property developers, Phoenix Larkspur, LLC - which now owns the remaining 100 lots.

With respect to the application for Right-of-Way (ROW) Vacation, we are objecting to all of the roads and *public* rights of way associated with the project site being vacated and its land being absorbed into the property developer's holding. The attached exhibit to the courtesy notification does not point out our specific property, parcel #2607-183-06-001 or commonly known as, "Lot 1 BLK 18 Meribel Village 1". Our lot is situated on the outside, western portion of the project site and on the corner of Gaillardia Road and Senecio Drive. If the County were to approve the application in this form, the two developers acquire ALL the property of the roadways to increase their land size, without paying for it, and fully enclose our property and the other properties they weren't able acquire for their project and affect us in the following manners:

- If approved, this would hinder our ability to access our property. Although they claim there will be an easement to allow property owners to access our property.... it appears to be through a road they control and there is no mention about the quality of the roadway, how access is granted if it is private (i.e. by gate with a lock, have a set up a reservation to access our property, etc.), and what type and how the property lines will be addressed with the roads being absorbed and our property sitting inside.
- We understand the developers have acquired an enormous amount of lots with their large amount of financial resources, but that shouldn't allow them to increase their holdings with the roadways to our detriment. Our family was not in a position to go to each landowner and offer a few thousand or tens of thousands of dollars to acquire 70 acres of land. Again, if approved, the County will be giving them additional property they will be using for their own use and financial benefit. Those roadways and land were laid out in the plans for the Meribel Lots and to the potential benefit to all of the landowners who bought property. If the County is inclined to vacate the roads sitting within Phoenix Larkspur's 100 lots, that is understandable. However, the roadways adjacent to our property, Gaillardia and Senecio, should be left to us and absorbed into our holdings. There is no need for Phoenix Larkspur to own the strips of land around our property in the shape of a circle, especially when our property sits on the outside of the project site. Any future development of our property would be seriously impacted by such a grant of land to the developers. If the County would like, we will be tendering a Land Use Application to absorb the roads adjacent to our property.

As it relates to the application for Administrative Replat, our concerns our similar. Meribel Village was initially designed as a community with multiple easements and understandings regarding the properties. Phoenix Larkspur is asking to vacate ALL the lot lines and utility

easements for the ENTIRE 103 lot project site, not just their 100 lots. As with the prior objection to the ROW Vacation, the developers are trying to affect our property to their benefit. If they proposed vacating the lot lines and utility easements for their 100 lots, there is no issue. They attempt to include the other 3 lots to diminish our property value and what we purchased. Any time a person owns a property, they own all the rights associated with it, including the easements they relied upon when they decided to make a purchase. By severing the utility easements between the properties, we believe this also amounts to a public and private taking of our property. Utility easements are attached to the land not just for the utility company's purposes, they are also attached so that development of land can be done easier. By severing our utility easements the developers will make it more difficult and costly for the other landowners who attempt to develop in the future. Our family does not have the same financial resources as the developers, but we acquired the lot with the intention and hope of building a home on it in the future. In the Courtesy notice from them, I don't see any listed reason the extinguish our easement rights between the properties and without further clarification we object as to how it appears to affect us.

We know Meribel Village has been a long forgotten issue in Larkspur and we also want to see the area be developed, and we want to be part of that which is why we purchased the property. However, we want to make sure that our property rights and easements are respected and protected. We don't believe that Phoenix Larkspur should be able to effectively block other landowners out who chose not to accept an offer from them and by allowing them absorb roadways and our access to our property is not what private citizens feel their government should be part of. We want to be able to have a road to access our property and not rely upon some unforeseen and unknown roadway access and object to roadways going to our property to be handed over to them. And also, we object to the easements we relied upon when purchasing our property to be extinguished by the County. We are happy to appear in person for any questions or you can contact me via email, scott.cadiz@gmail.com.

Thank you,

Scott Cadiz 303-332-6531

• We understand that the developers have a large amount of financial resources to acquire all the lots to develop and increase their value, but our f

Benjamin Cadiz Comments Response- February 21, 2024

Right of Way (ROW) access

- Phoenix Larkspur, LLC has provided the attached 20' private easement access in perpetuity to Mr. Cadiz's property along the partly vacated Gaillardia Road that will connect it to the remaining unimproved Meribel Village roads.
- Upon approval, this legal easement description and use agreement (both attached) will be recorded with the Three Pine Ridge replat.
- Phoenix Larkspur, LLC will provide this easement to parcel #2607-183-06-001 or commonly known as Lot 1 BLK 18 Meribel Village 1 (Mr. Cadiz's lot) in perpetuity.
- [Per Department of Public Works Engineering 's letter dated February 6, 2024; they indicated no
 concerns regarding ROW vacations so long as a copy of the private access easement was
 provided for their review prior to recording of the document (both attached). This is consistent
 with numerous discussions with Douglas County Planning and Engineering staff during presubmittal meetings and our application.] At Mariane's discretion

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Scott Cadiz Comments- February 22, 2024

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• Scott Cadiz stated in his email; "If the county is inclined to vacate the roads sitting within Phoenix Larkspur's 100 lots, that is understandable." This is what was done.

Utility Easements

- As indicated on the attached private easement description, a utility easement is shown serving the Cadiz lot along the partly vacated Gaillardia Road. Note that the closest Core Electric Cooperative (formerly IREA) source of existing power is closest to this easement.
- Additionally, all utility easements that are adjacent the remaining Meribel Village unimproved roadways remain in place to serve the Cadiz Lot

After Recording, Return To:	
	SEMENT DEED
valuable consideration, the receipt and suffice hereby sell, convey, and quitclaim unto SCOT CADIZ and JEFF CADIZ (collectively, it described as: Lot 1, Block 18, Meribel Vil ("Grantee's Property") and Grantee's success non-exclusive easement for utilities and for very over and across that portion of Grantor's real property.	colorado limited liability company ("Grantor"), for good and liency of which are hereby confessed and acknowledged, does to the "Grantee"), as the owners of the real property legally lage Filing No. 1, County of Douglas, State of Colorado ors and assigns in interest to Grantee's Property, a perpetual, thicular and pedestrian access purposes only (the "Easement") property in Douglas County, Colorado that is more particularly hed hereto and incorporated herein by this reference (the
	land so as to benefit Grantee's Property and burden the assement appurtenant to Grantee's Property, and shall inure to gns and personal representatives.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Grantor a of this day of,	and Grantee have executed this Easement Deed effective as 2024.
"GRANTOR"	
PHOENIX LARKSPUR, LLC, a Colorado limited liability company	
By: Name:	
STATE OF COLORADO) ss.	
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS)	
	wledged before me this day of, of Phoenix Larkspur, LLC .
Witness my hand and official seal. (SEAL)	
	Notary Public My Commission Expires:

EXHIBIT A Sheet 1 of 2

Legal Description – Private Access Easement
That portion of vacated Gaillardia Road, platted in Meribel Village Filing No. 1 and vacated by Reception Number, Douglas County, Colorado described as follows:
Commencing at the southwest corner of said vacated Gaillardia Road; thence along the south line of said vacated Gaillardia Road South 89 degrees 44 minutes 48 seconds East 46.78 feet to the point of beginning:
1) thence North 07 degrees 43 minutes 33 seconds West 94.33 feet; 2) thence North 16 degrees 03 minutes 24 seconds West 76.63 feet; 3) thence North 18 degrees 26 minutes 59 seconds West 149.67 feet; 4) thence North 22 degrees 14 minutes 31 seconds West 76.40 feet; 5) thence North 28 degrees 35 minutes 05 seconds West 77.43 feet; 6) thence North 38 degrees 01 minutes 43 seconds West 77.44 feet; 7) thence North 45 degrees 04 minutes 16 seconds West 75.80 feet; 8) thence North 47 degrees 00 minutes 25 seconds West 148.74 feet; 9) thence North 45 degrees 03 minutes 16 seconds West 16.45 feet; 10) thence North 42 degrees 35 minutes 27 seconds West 37.91 feet; 11) thence North 31 degrees 59 minutes 47 seconds West 67.83 feet; 12) thence North 12 degrees 38 minutes 21 seconds West 69.53 feet; 13) thence North 10 degrees 10 minutes 18 seconds West 68.69 feet; 15) thence North 12 degrees 23 minutes 18 seconds West 68.69 feet; 15) thence North 19 degrees 29 minutes 48 seconds East 66.84 feet; 16) thence North 39 degrees 55 minutes 27 seconds East 67.40 feet; 17) thence North 39 degrees 54 minutes 45 seconds East 70.57 feet; 18) thence North 56 degrees 66 minutes 34 seconds East 70.57 feet; 19) thence North 56 degrees 45 minutes 45 seconds East 70.57 feet; 20) thence North 60 degrees 45 minutes 22 seconds East 70.57 feet; 21) thence North 47 degrees 55 minutes 25 seconds East 76.94 feet; 22) thence North 47 degrees 55 minutes 27 seconds East 76.94 feet; 23) thence South 42 degrees 53 minutes 38 seconds East 59.63 feet to the northwesterly corner of Lot 1, Block 18, said Meribel Village Filing No. 1; 24) thence along the northwesterly line of said Lot 1, along a non-tangential curve concave to the northwest, said curve having a central angle of 18 degrees 58 minutes 08 seconds, a radius of
507.24 feet, for an arc length of 167.93 feet, (the center of said curve bears North 47 degrees 17 minutes 23 seconds West) to the southwesterly corner of said Lot 1; 25) thence North 29 degrees 29 minutes 59 seconds West 19.53 feet; 26) thence South 60 degrees 45 minutes 06 seconds West 199.88 feet; 27) thence South 56 degrees 06 minutes 34 seconds West 67.91 feet;
28) thence South 47 degrees 54 minutes 45 seconds West 65.98 feet; 29) thence South 39 degrees 55 minutes 27 seconds West 67.35 feet; 30) thence South 29 degrees 29 minutes 48 seconds West 62.57 feet;

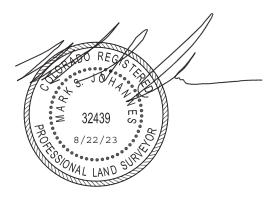
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- 31) thence South 12 degrees 23 minutes 57 seconds West 61.63 feet;
- 32) thence South 00 degrees 10 minutes 18 seconds East 64.30 feet;
- 33) thence South 12 degrees 38 minutes 21 seconds East 65.67 feet;
- 34) thence South 19 degrees 24 minutes 44 seconds East 66.14 feet;
- 35) thence South 31 degrees 59 minutes 47 seconds East 63.77 feet;
- 36) thence South 42 degrees 35 minutes 27 seconds East 35.62 feet;
- 37) thence South 45 degrees 03 minutes 16 seconds East 105.68 feet;
- 38) thence South 47 degrees 00 minutes 25 seconds East 148.74 feet;
- 39) thence South 45 degrees 04 minutes 16 seconds East 77.37 feet;
- 40) thence South 38 degrees 01 minutes 43 seconds East 80.32 feet;
- 41) thence South 28 degrees 35 minutes 05 seconds East 80.19 feet;
- 42) thence South 22 degrees 14 minutes 31 seconds East 78.17 feet;
- 43) thence South 18 degrees 26 minutes 59 seconds East 150.75 feet;
- 44) thence South 16 degrees 03 minutes 24 seconds East 78.50 feet;
- 45) thence South 07 degrees 43 minutes 33 seconds East 98.59 feet to the south line of said vacated Gaillardia Road;
- 46) thence along said south line North 89 degrees 44 minutes 48 seconds West 20.20 feet to the point of beginning.

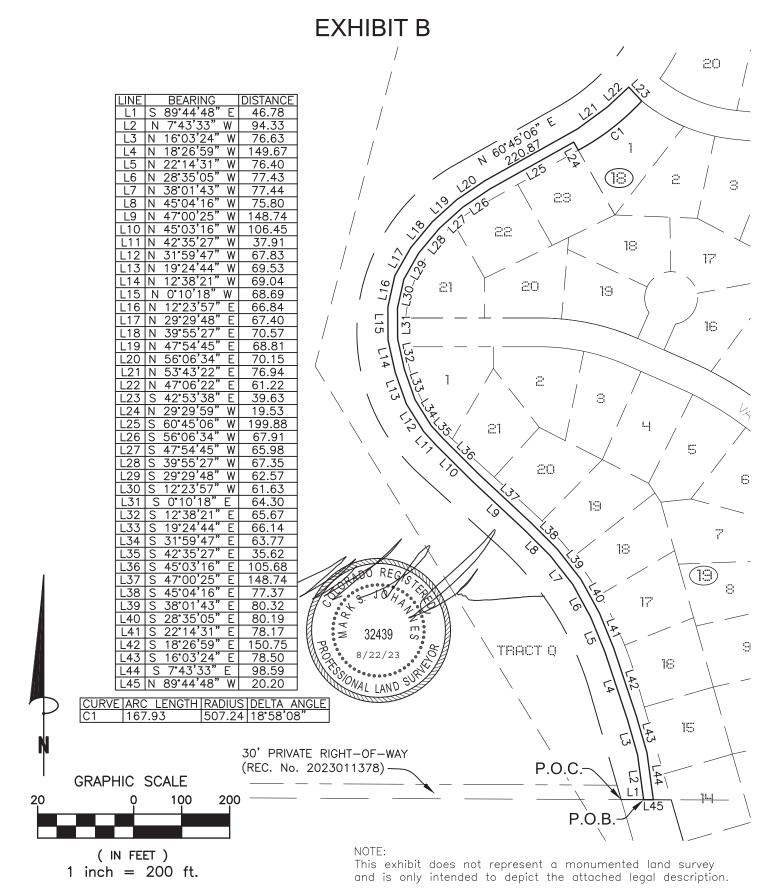
Containing a calculated area of 41,242 square feet (0.9468 acres), more or less.

This legal description and exhibit was prepared by me or under my direct supervision and checking and is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

The above statement is neither a warranty or guarantee, either expressed or implied.



Mark S. Johannes, PLS, CFedS Colorado Professional Land Surveyor No. 32439 For and on behalf of Compass Surveying & Mapping, LLC



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DATE: AUGUST 22, 2023

DRAWN BY: MSJ

CHECKED BY: MSJ

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RESOLUTION NO. R-024-

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, COLORADO

A RESOLUTION VACATING CERTAIN ROADS IN MERIBEL VILLAGE FILING 1 LOCATED IN SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 67 WEST OF THE 6TH P.M. DOUGLAS COUNTY, COLORADO

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners desires to vacate certain roads (Arnka Court, Blue Fax Drive, Harebell Circle, Harebell Drive, Senecio Drive, Verbena Drive, and portions of Gaillardia Road and Sinclaire Boulevard) in Meribel Village Filing 1, located in Section 19, Township 9 South, Range 67 West of the 6th P.M., Douglas County, Colorado, and more specifically described on Exhibits A, B and C attached hereto and incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, Section 43-2-303, C.R.S., authorizes the Board of County Commissioners to vacate roadways, easements, rights-of-way, and other public ways located within the unincorporated area of the County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing concerning the road vacation on , 2024; and

WHEREAS, written notice of said hearing was mailed by first-class postage to each abutting landowner on , 2024; and

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was published in the <u>Douglas County News-Press</u> on , 2024; and

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was posted on , 2024; and

WHEREAS, all required notices of said hearing were given as required by section 710B of the Douglas County Subdivision Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the vacated roads are located entirely within the unincorporated area of Douglas County; and

WHEREAS, the vacated roads do not constitute the boundary line between two counties; and

WHEREAS, the vacated roads do not constitute the boundary of a city or town; and

WHEREAS, the vacation of certain roads in Meribel Village Filing 1, as depicted on Exhibits A, B and C will not leave Lot 1, Block 18, Meribel Village Filing 1 without an established public road or private access easement connecting said land with another established public road; and

WHEREAS, the vacation of certain roads in Meribel Village Filing 1 are in keeping with the spirit and intent of the Douglas County Subdivision Resolution and the Douglas County Master Plan and Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the vacation of a certain roads in Meribel Village Filing 1 will not adversely affect the public health, safety, and welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Douglas, Colorado, that:

- Certain roads in Meribel Village, located in Section 19, Township 9 South, Range 67 West of the 6th P.M., Douglas County, Colorado, more particularly shown and described on Exhibits A attached hereto and incorporated herein, are hereby vacated; and
- Pursuant to Section 43-2-302(1)(f), C.R.S., Kamil B and Gloria L Tazi shall take ownership of the portions of Sinclaire Blvd and Gaillardia Road as shown on exhibits B and C; and
- A 30-foot wide private access easement for Lot 1, Block 18 Meribel Village Filing 1 has be executed and is reserved within the vacated portion of Gallardia Road.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this day of , 2024, in Castle Rock, Douglas County, Colorado.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, COLORADO

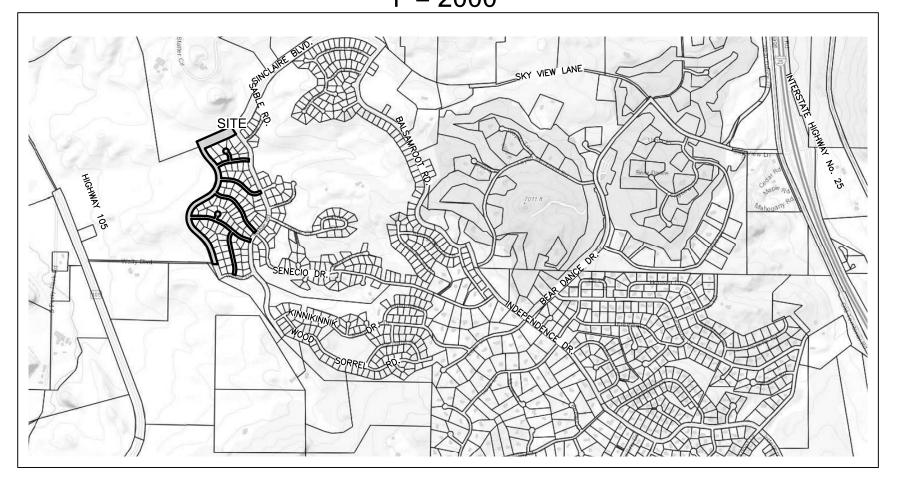
By:
Abe Laydon, Chair
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ATTEST:
By:
Kristin Randlett, Deputy Clerk to the Board

RIGHT-OF-WAY VACATION OF

CERTAIN STREETS IN MERIBEL VILLAGE FILING No. 1

LOCATED IN SECTIONS 18 AND 19, T9S, R67W OF THE 6TH P.M., DOUGLAS COUNTY, CO SB2023-043

VICINITY MAP 1' = 2000'



That part of Gaillardia Drive lying north of the south line of the Southwest Quarter of Section 18, Township 9 South, Range 67 West of the 6th P.M.;

All of Sinclaire Boulevard lying west of the west line of Sable Road; All of Arnka Court:

All of Harebell Drive;

All of Verbena Drive lying west of the west line of Sable Road;

All of Senecio Drive lying west of the west line of Sable Road;

All of Harebell Circle; All of Blue Flax Drive;

All in Meribel Village Filing No. 1; Douglas County, Colorado.

Containing a calculated area of 18.143 acres, more or less.

NOTES:

- 1) This survey does not constitute a title search by Compass Surveying & Mapping, LLC to determine ownership or easements of record. For all information regarding easements, rights of way and title of record, Compass Surveying & Mapping, LLC relied upon a Title Report prepared by Commonwealth Land Title Insurance Company, Report No. 597-HS0815774-412 with an effective date of March 22, 2023 at 12:00 A.M.
- 2) Bearings are based on the plat of Meribel Village Filing No. 1.
- 3) Notice: According to Colorado law you must commence any legal action based upon any defect in this survey within three years after you first discover such defect. In no event may any action based upon any defect in this survey be commenced more than ten years from the date of the certification shown hereon.
- 4) The linear units used in this drawing are U.S. Survey Feet.
- 5) Per CRS 43-2-302 1F (ROW Vacation Statutes)

Row vacation A will be granted in its entirety for the use and benefit of Kamil B. Tazi and Gloria L. Tazi as Joint Tenants, who address is 6250 Statter Cir Unit A, Larkspur, CO 80118

ROW Vacation B will be granted in its entirety for the use and benefit of Phoenix Larkspur LLC whose address is 2080 Sky View Ln, Larkspur, CO 80118

SURVEYOR'S STATEMENT:

The undersigned Colorado Registered Professional Land Surveyor does hereby state and declare to Anthony Little, exclusively, that the accompanying plat was surveyed and drawn under his direct responsibility and supervision and to the normal standard of practice by surveyors in the State of Colorado and accurately shows the described tract of land thereof, and that the requirements of Title 38 of the Colorado Revised Statutes, 1973, as amended, have been met to the best of his professional knowledge, belief and opinion.

This statement is neither a guaranty or warranty, either expressed or implied.

Mark S. Johannes Colorado Professional Land Surveyor No. 32439 For and on behalf of Compass Surveying and Mapping, LLC

VACATION APPROVAL CERTIFICATE:

This plat was approved for filing by the Board of County Commissioners of Douglas County, CO, on the ______ day of ______, 20____, subject to any conditions specified hereon. The following streets:

That part of Gaillardia Drive lying north of the south line of the Southwest Quarter of Section 18. Township 9 South, Range 67 West of the 6th P.M.: All of Sinclaire Boulevard lying west of the west line of Sable Road;

All of Arnka Court;

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All of Verbena Drive lying west of the west line of Sable Road; All of Senecio Drive lying west of the west line of Sable Road;

All of Harebell Circle; All of Blue Flax Drive;

shown on the plat of Meribel Village Filing No. 1, recorded in the Office of the Douglas County Clerk and Recorder, Reception # 144862 are hereby vacated this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Chair, Board of Douglas County Commissioners

RECORDING:

STATE OF COLORADO COUNTY OF DOUGLAS)

I hereby certify that this plat was filed for record in my office this____ day of ______ AM / PM and was recorded

at Reception No. ______ .

Douglas County Clerk and Recorder

REVISIONS: PROJECT NO. 2303 1 12/05/23 County comments. AUGUST 22, 2023 DATE: 2 3/28/24 County comments. DRAWN BY: MS. MS. CHECKED BY: SHEET: 1 OF 2

