

## **Planning Department**

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### **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Cass County Board of Commissioners

FROM: Cole Hansen, Cass County Planner

DATE: May 28, 2024

SUBJECT: Regular Agenda Topic for the June 3, 2024 Commission Meeting:

McIntyre Subdivision Application

The Cass County Planning Commission reviewed the application of the proposed subdivision located in Casselton Township, Section 32 at a Public Hearing on May 23, 2024. The intended purpose of the subdivision is to plat a lot for the development of a local natural gas distribution facility.

The Planning Commission is recommending approval of the proposed plat entitlement request and Casselton Township has verified meets all applicable zoning and flood plain regulations. Therefore, the Planning Commission recommendation is forwarded to the Cass County Board of Commissioners for action.

#### **SUGGESTED MOTION:**

To accept the findings and recommendations of the Planning Commission and staff and recommend approval of the Final Plat on the condition that access to the existing property is modified to comply with the Cass County Highway Access Ordinance, as the proposal meets the goals and objectives of the Cass County Comprehensive Plan, the Cass County Highway Access Plan, the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance, the Cass County Subdivision Ordinance, and all other applicable regulations.



**Status:** 

# Cass County Planning Commission Staff Report

Entitlements Requested:	<b>Minor Subdivision (1 Lots)</b> of a part of the NE ¼ of Section 32, Township 140 North, Range 52 West		
Title:	McIntyre Farms Subdivision	Date:	05/23/24
Location:	NE ¼ of Section 32, Township 140 North, Range 52 West (Casselton Township)	Staff Contact:	Cole Hansen
Parcel Number:	29-0000-02235-020	Water District:	Maple River Water District
Owner(s)/Applicant:	Richard L. Melvin	Engineer/ Surveyor:	WBI Energy
Status	Planning Commission Hearing: 1	May 23, 2024	

Existing Land Use	Proposed Land Use			
Proposal				

County Commission Hearing: June 3, 2024

The applicant is seeking approval of a minor subdivision entitled **McIntyre Farms Subdivision** to plat a one (1) Lot subdivision of approximately 1 acre. According to the applicant, the subdivision is requested to plat the lot for a utility site.

The proposed ownership and maintenance responsibility of the subdivision will be private. The subdivision will use County Road 23 for road access, ditches for storm sewer conveyance, rural water. The property currently does not have an on-site septic system for wastewater treatment.

Agency Comments			
County Engineer	No comments were received prior to publishing the staff report.		
Water Resource District	No comment.		
Cass County Electric Cooperative	No comments were received prior to publishing the staff report.		
Century Link	No comments were received prior to publishing the staff report.		
Sprint/T-Mobile/Congent	No comments were received prior to publishing the staff report.		
AT&T	No comments were received prior to publishing the staff report.		
Xcel Energy	No comments were received prior to publishing the staff report.		
Otter Tail Power Company	No comments were received prior to publishing the staff report.		

Magellan Pipeline Company	No comments were received prior to publishing the staff report.
NuStar Energy	No comments were received prior to publishing the staff report.
Cass Rural Water	No comments were received prior to publishing the staff report.
North Dakota Department of Transportation	No comments were received prior to publishing the staff report.
County Sanitarian	No issue with proposal.
Township Chairman	No comments were received prior to publishing the staff report.
The City of Fargo	No comments were received prior to publishing the staff report.
The City of West Fargo	No comments were received prior to publishing the staff report.
Public Comment	No comments were received prior to publishing the staff report.

#### Staff Analysis

#### Land Use and Surrounding Uses

The subject property is bound by agricultural production land on the north, west, and south sides of the lot and industrial land on the east side of the lot. County Road 23 borders the east of the property.

#### Floodzone

According to the FEMA Flood Map Service Center, this property is currently unmapped and no Special Hazard Flood Area has been identified. In addition, no wetlands or other notable features are present on the proposed subdivision Lot.

#### Land Development Rights

The subject quarter-quarter section currently is developed and requires the transfer of a development right. Section 5.04 (e) of the Cass County Subdivision Ordinance states that every quarter-quarter section is granted one (1) Development Right to create a buildable lot with a minimum of 40 acres. Because the lot subdivision proposal is less than 40 acres, a transfer of a development right is required along with a deed restriction.

#### Staff Recommendation

To accept the findings and recommendations of staff and recommend **approval** to the County Commission of the subdivision application as the proposal **meets** the goals and objectives of the Cass County Comprehensive Plan, the Cass County Highway Access Plan, the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance, the Cass County Subdivision Ordinance and all other applicable regulations.

#### **Attachments**

- 1. Location Map
- 2. Plat Document
- 3. Variance Application

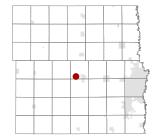
# **Minor Subdivision**

# **McIntyre Farms**

Section 32, Casselton Township Township 140 North - Range 52 West



Cass County Planning Commission May 23, 2024



#### Imagery: spring 2021

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