

October 21, 2020

**City of Aurora – Planning Department**

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**Re: Letter of Introduction for The Aurora Highlands Framework Development Plan Amendment No.02**

Ms. Bickmire:

On behalf of the Applicant, The Aurora Highlands LLC, I am pleased to submit this Letter of Introduction for the second amendment of The Aurora Highlands Framework Development Plan (FDP).

The following team of consultants have been assembled to complete this application:

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<b>Landscape Architect:</b> Norris Design Sean Malone 1101 Bannock Street, Denver, CO 80204 303.892.1166 smalone@norris-design.com	<b>Civil Engineer/Surveyor:</b> HR Green, Inc. Ryan Littleton 8310 S. Valley Highway, Suite 300 Englewood, CO 80112 303.602.4999 rlittleton@hrgreen.com	

**Amendment Overview:**

The intent of this narrative is to outline the proposed second amendment of The Aurora Highlands Framework Development Plan. The following alterations to the approved Framework Development Plan are proposed:

Addition of a Primary Village Monument to the community's monumentation standards. This proposed monument shall be located at the designated primary entrance of a Village. Primary locations will be determined based on major traffic patterns and shall be specified at time of preliminary plat. The monument shall be located within a landscaped center median and consists of a series of deciduous trees interspersed with low growing landscape materials and the Aurora Highlands signature logo in metal. The logo elements will be placed vertically within a raised stone platform and planters. Where space permits, a series of three trees and three logo elements are proposed. The entrance of the monument will consist of the name of the village in metal letters atop a low stone wall and backdropped by low growing landscape material.

Details outlining materials, dimensions, and placement have been included in the FDP with this amendment. In addition, all sheets impacted by these changes have been adjusted and are indicated by the “Delta 2” symbol for quick reference. Further detailing will be provided at time of future Preliminary Plat applications.

**Approval Criteria:**

The second amendment to the Aurora Highlands Framework Development Plan/Master Plan meets the following City of Aurora criteria for approval,

- a) It is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, the purpose statement for the zone district(s) where the property is located, the use regulations in Article 146-3 for the zone district(s) where the property is located, and all other adopted plans and policies of the City Council;  
*Response: The proposed amendment retains compliance with the UDO and other City regulations and is in character with the approved The Aurora Highlands FDP/MP.*
- b) It will allow future development of the property to comply with all applicable standards in this UDO;  
*Response: The proposed amendment will continue to allow future development to comply with applicable standards in the UDO.*
- c) It will result in a coordinated system of streets, trails, sidewalks, open spaces, and infrastructure systems that do not create significant adverse impacts on the surrounding area, or any significant adverse impacts have been mitigated to the degree practicable;  
*Response: No adverse impacts on the surrounding area will result from this proposed amendment.*
- d) It will improve or expand multi-modal connections with adjacent sites, neighborhoods, and urban centers;  
*Response: The proposed amendment will improve wayfinding and place narrative that will better multi-modal connections between adjacent sites, neighborhoods, urban centers, and villages.*
- e) If the property is located in Subarea C, and the Master Plan includes over 160 acres of land designated for residential development, the Master Plan must include at least one area to be zoned MU-N or MU-C or designated for development pursuant to MUN or MU-C zone district standards pursuant to Section 146-5.4.3.1 (Administrative Activity Center Designation).  
*Response: This development includes a mix of land uses and zone districts including areas designated as “Mixed Use” and “Commercial”.*

We look forward to working with the City of Aurora on the review and approval of this amendment of The Aurora Highlands Framework Development Plan/Master Plan. Feel free to contact me directly should you have any comments, questions, and/or requests for additional information.

Sincerely,  
**Norris Design**



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**Applicant Representative**