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Developers appeal rejection of Oldham subdivision plan

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A development group whose plans were rejected by the Oldham County Planning and Zoning Commission for a fourth time last month is appealing the decision in Oldham Circuit Court.

The appeal, filed July 18, says Oldham Farms Development LLC proved that the proposal complied with all the applicable zoning and subdivision regulations. It calls the commission's denial unreasonable and says its findings aren't based on adequate facts.

It asks that the court overrule the commission's decision and direct it to approve the application.

The commission in June voted 8-4 to reject the preliminary plan for Brentwood, a 345-home development proposed for 248 acres in Crestwood near Clore Lane.

Commission members voiced concerns with the nearby roads, and several agreed that there wasn't enough evidence that the roads could handle the additional traffic.

Oldham Farms had been trying to get a development approved there since 2004, when it had plans for 399 homes. After the commission rejected those plans, they were revised twice, including a proposal for 446 homes.

The commission rejected that plan in 2005, citing concerns with increased traffic on nearby roads including Clore Lane and Ky. 22. Oldham Farms then appealed the decision in Oldham Circuit Court, and the Kentucky Court of Appeals supported the commission's decision.

The commission is scheduled to have a closed meeting Friday at 1 p.m. at the Fiscal Court building to discuss the appeal.

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