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Rivers Landing is growing

38 more patio homes endorsed by planners

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Another 38 patio homes are set to be built in the Rivers Landing development in Prospect, after the Oldham County Planning and Zoning Commission unanimously approved the plans last week with little discussion.

The first phase of the development has already started, with 12 of 56 units complete, said Felicia Harper, a land planner with Gresham Smith and Partners in Louisville.

Harper said they plan to return to the commission later with plans for seven single-family homes.

The commission approved Rivers Landing and a zoning change for the property in March 2005, but developer Hinton McGraw of Prospect promised to return to the commission for each phase.

The original plan called for 110 condominiums, but that has since been reduced to 94, Harper said.

Rivers Landing is near the Ohio River, just off Ky. 1793 and Rose Island Road. The patio homes will surround a 34-acre lake.

There are condominiums and some commercial development near the site, which has residential and conservation zoning.

Commission member Joyce Albertsen said she has seen the Rivers Landing clubhouse, which she said "will be very cool" and is made of glass.

No one spoke for or against the development last week.

When the commission first considered the development in 2003, members voiced concerns that included the nearby sewage-treatment plant, known as Trails End.

The plant, which was notorious for its smell, has since been demolished and replaced with a new, larger plant along the Ohio River.

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