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## **NEWS FROM THE CITY OF ST. CHARLES**

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## City of St. Charles Declines Further Review of Proposed Charles Farm Concept Plan

**ST. CHARLES, III.** (Sept. 13, 2024) – The City of St. Charles has declined further review of the Charles Farm concept plan submitted by Pulte Home Company, LLC. The concept plan proposed annexing a large area of unincorporated property west of St. Charles for the development. Pulte representatives presented the concept plan at the Sept. 4, 2024, Plan Commission meeting to gather feedback from commissioners and the public.

After reviewing the initial concept plan and considering all the feedback received, Mayor Lora Vitek, with input from St. Charles Plan Commission and St. Charles City Council members, advised Pulte that there was no interest to continue further review of the plan. Therefore, the concept plan will not be discussed at any future public meetings.

"We are fortunate to have so many developers and businesses choose St. Charles as a place they want to be. I believe encouraging public discussion around ideas presented is healthy for our community and integral to maintaining an open process," said Vitek. "We heard the feedback from residents and officials in nearby communities and their concerns and opinions were considered carefully. We have several ongoing developments and exciting opportunities in St. Charles we currently are focusing on. Dedicating the extensive amount of resources needed to make this project successful would have been challenging."

Vitek thanked Pulte for presenting the proposal to the City, "It has been many years since development has been discussed near La Fox, and this has been a valuable process for the City and our neighbors to reengage and understand the community interest today."

The City is committed to working with all surrounding communities and government partners to be sure any future development of the property fits the character of Kane County.

## About the City of St. Charles

The City of St. Charles, Illinois, is guided by the three driving principles in its Mission: *Service. Tradition. Community.* Together, these principles create a thriving environment for people who live or visit here, and for businesses to prosper. Our City has gained national recognition as a family-friendly town and wide acclaim for its architecture, living up to its nickname *Pride of the Fox.* Conveniently located 35 miles west of Chicago, in Kane and northwestern DuPage counties, St. Charles is home to 33,000 residents and a balanced mix of more than 2,000 businesses that employ approximately 28,700 people. More at <a href="stcharlesil.gov">stcharlesil.gov</a>, and follow us on <a href="facebook">Facebook</a>, <a href="mailto:Twitter, Instagram">Twitter, Instagram</a>, <a href="mailto:YouTube">YouTube</a> and <a href="mailto:LinkedIn">LinkedIn</a>.

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