

TOWN OF DALLAS SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS

MAJOR SUBDIVISION REVIEW PROCESS (50+ lots)

As outlined in the Town of Dallas Code of Ordinances Chapter 152: Subdivision Regulations

Please Note: All proposed subdivisions must comply in all respects with the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance in effect in the area to be subdivided, and any other officially adopted plans.

Major Subdivision: The division of a tract or parcel of land into two or more lots, building sites, or other divisions for the purpose of sale or building development where:

1. New roads are proposed or rights-of-way are dedicated;
2. The entire tract to be subdivided is greater than ten acres;
3. More than ten lots will result after the subdivision is complete; **and/or**
4. The subdivision will not require public/community water, sewer, or electric infrastructure to be extended.

Review Process

1. Applicant completes and submits a Subdivision Permit Application (**along with non-refundable fee**) and of two (2) copies of a sketch plan containing:
 - Sketch vicinity map
 - Boundaries of lot(s) to be subdivided
 - Total acreage to be subdivided
 - Existing and proposed uses of land within the subdivision and existing uses of adjoining land
 - Proposed street layout
 - Name, address, and telephone number of owner(s) of tract
 - Name of proposed subdivision
 - Zoning classification of the property to be subdivided and adjacent property
 - Tax map and parcel numbers of the lot(s) to be subdivided
2. Development Services Director reviews submitted application with the Town Engineer, and provides feedback within 21 days to the Applicant/Owner for incorporation into a preliminary plat. **The Applicant/ Owner is responsible for all Town Engineer fees.**
3. Applicant submits seven (7) copies of Preliminary Plat for review by Planning Board, which has the authority to disapprove or recommend (with or without conditions) to the Board of Alderman for approval.
 - Must contain all of the information listed in Chapter 152.058 of the Town of Dallas Code of Ordinances- see attached.
 - Must be submitted to the Development Services Director least 10 days prior to the meeting at which it is to be reviewed
4. The Planning Board meets to discuss the preliminary plat, and has 45 days from meeting date to disapprove or recommend (with or without conditions) to the Board of Alderman for approval.
 - If disapproved, Owner/ Applicant has 60 days to resubmit without paying an additional fee. Resubmitted preliminary plats will need to repeat Step 3.

5. The Board of Aldermen meets to discuss the preliminary plat for approval and may approve, disapprove, or approve with conditions including but not limited to alignment of roads in subdivision, improvements to roads providing direct access to subdivision, limiting access of certain lots to interior streets, and stub roads.
 - If disapproved, Owner/Applicant has 60 days to resubmit without paying an additional fee. Resubmitted plats will need to be reconsidered by the Board of Alderman for approval.
 - Owner/ Applicant must comply with any conditional approval requirements within 12 months unless otherwise noted, or the approval will be considered null and void.

6. Once the preliminary plat is approved, the Owner/ Applicant can begin preparing the final plat.
 - Must contain all of the information listed in Chapter 152.058 of the Town of Dallas Code of Ordinances- see attached.
 - Only include the portion of the approved preliminary plat to be recorded and developed at this time. If project will be completed in phases, the final plat should only include phases to be developed within
 - Must be submitted no later than 24 months after approval of the preliminary plat unless a longer time period was stipulated in that approval.
 - Owner/ Applicant may request an extension of up to 12 months.
 - Improvements Guarantees: In lieu of installing required improvements prior to final plat approval, an Owner/ Applicant may enter into an agreement with the Town to guarantee installation through the provision of a surety performance bond(s) or cash or equivalent securities. The amount of guarantees shall be 1.25 times the cost of installing all required improvements, and the agreement must be approved by the Board of Aldermen.

7. Owner/ Applicant submits seven (7) copies of the final plat to the Development Services Director, along with a **\$200 non-refundable fee**, at least 10 days prior to the Planning Board meeting where it will be reviewed.
 - All copies of the final plat must contain the signed certificates found in the Town of Dallas Subdivision Regulations

8. The Planning Board meets to review the final plat, has 45 days from meeting date to approve (with or without conditions), disapprove, or refer to the Board of Aldermen for review and approval.
 - If improvements guarantees exist, the Board of Alderman is required to approve the final plat.
 - If disapproved, the Owner/ Applicant has 21 days to resubmit plat without paying an additional fee.

9. The Board of Alderman meet to review the final plat for approval- if required or requested.
 - If disapproved, the Owner/Applicant has 21 days to resubmit plat without paying an additional fee.

10. Once the final plat is approved, the Owner/ Applicant has 21 days to have the plat recorded in the Gaston County Register of Deeds office, or the approved final plat will be considered null and void.