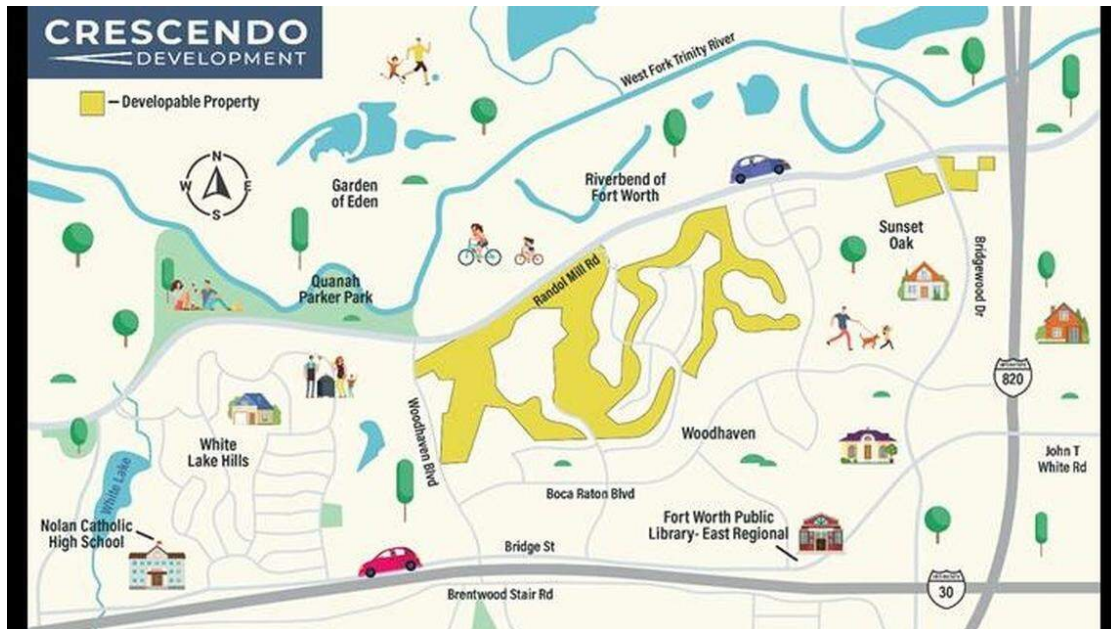


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## Redevelopment of abandoned east Fort Worth golf course clears another hurdle

By Harrison Mantas



Crescendo Development took another step towards its goal of revitalizing the abandoned golf course at Woodhaven. *Courtesy of Crescendo Development*

A Fort Worth city commission has given the green light to a concept plan for the redevelopment an abandoned golf course in east Fort Worth.

The move comes eight months after the Fort Worth City Council signed off on a rezoning plan for the old Woodhaven golf course to include [single family homes](#), [apartments](#) and [a mix of shops and restaurants](#).

In a press release announcing the approval, Fort Worth developer Will Northern, owner of Crescendo Development, expressed his gratitude to the city plan commission for allowing the project to move forward.

“I am humbled to play a role in Woodhaven’s redevelopment and look forward to working with the City and vertical developers to bring our collective vision to life,” Northern said in the press release.

The property sits just northwest of the intersection of Interstate 30 and East Loop 820. It opened its doors in 1972 and served as an anchor for the surrounding businesses, apartments and housing developments.

However, [the country club was forced to close in 2021](#) due to the economic downturn from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Northern promised to continue working with neighbors to make sure the development is something everyone can be proud of.

“We will put Woodhaven back on the map as a place to call home,” Northern said.

The project is still a long way from starting construction.

Northern’s development team Crescendo will now look for other developers to drill down on what should actually go on each of the 10 parcels making up the 150-acre property.

Developers will then need to submit a site plan to the city offering more detail about what specific buildings will go where.

Assuming the site plan gets the approval of the city’s zoning commission and City Council, the developers will have to submit a final plan offering exact details of water lines, elevations and building setbacks.

The project’s continued success will also require [Northern to resolve the litigation](#) with Michael Crain, his former business partner and a Fort Worth city council member.

Crain sued Northern in June alleging Northern had used private company information to buy the Woodhaven property and cut Crain out of the deal.

Northern’s attorney Randall Schmidt called the lawsuit meritless and full of inaccuracies, in a June statement to the Star-Telegram.

The case was moved out of Tarrant County District Court in July to a state business court, according to court documents.