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## **Apartments, Rose's and Planet Fitness joining city**

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Lancaster City Council unanimously passed second readings of two ordinances at its April 11 work session — one annexing a 7.7-acre parcel of land and one rezoning a 21.8-acre parcel.

Council members Octavia Mungo Jones and Hazel Taylor were absent from the meeting and vote.

The 7.7-acre annexation is at the intersection of S.C. 9 Bypass East and Camp Creek Road in Lancaster Plaza, owned by Insite Lancaster, LLC.

City Administrator Flip Hutfles said the property is being annexed into the city due to a request for new water service, which will allow Rose's Department Store and Planet Fitness to relocate there.

“I think it’s a wonderful move and one that will be very positive for the businesses coming into the city,” said Lancaster Mayor Alston DeVenny.

“Those amenities will bring the entire community, as you’re looking with the growth that’s taking place, these are some of the things they’re looking for,” Councilwoman Jackie Harris said.

“There’s historically been a Rose’s here, and I think people are glad to have it back,” DeVenny said.

## Rezoning

The 21.8-acre rezoning is for the University Drive Apartments, in the general vicinity of 1926 University Drive near the entrance to the Arrowood subdivision.

The land, owned by Hazel Cauthen Jr., is now zoned multi-family, and the plan is to build 150-200 market-rate apartment units.

The project is estimated to cost \$30 million.

The developers, Ty Valkanas and Gonzalo Trenosky, plan to incorporate a Veterans Memorial Nature Trail that ties into the Lindsay Pettus Greenway.

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