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Town of Huntersville BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT 3/14/2017

To: Board of Adjustment Members

From: Michelle V. Haines

Subject: Consider Approval of Minutes

Consider Approval of Minutes

ACTION RECOMMENDED:

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

D Draft Minutes

Туре

Backup Material



Board of Adjustment Regular Meeting Minutes Tuesday January 10, 2017 - 6:30 PM Town Hall

A. Roll Call, Determination of Quorum

DRAFT MINUTES SUBJECT TO CHANGE UPON APPROVAL The Chairman determined quorum, and called the meeting to order. All Regular members were present with the exception of Dennis Brewer. All Alternate members were present with the exception of Greg Evans. Ed Lowry was seated as a Regular member in the absence of Brewer.

B. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

A Motion was made by Edward Lowry and seconded by Jeff Pugliese, Motion to approve the Minutes of the September 13, 2016 Regular Meeting. The Motion Carried by a vote of 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. Board Members voting Ayes: Kluttz, Welch, Primiano, Pugliese, Rowell, Smith, Lowry

Absent: Brewer, Evans

C. Hearing of Cases

1. **DA17-01:** The applicant, Jim and Heather Dyke, are requesting a Density Averaging Certificate to allow 1,300 square feet of impervious rights to be transferred from 8904 Hunter's Pointe Drive to 9430 Shepparton Drive.

A Motion was made by Jeff Pugliese and seconded by Edward Cecil, Motion to Approve. The Motion Carried by a vote of 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. Board Members voting Ayes: Kluttz, Welch, Primiano, Pugliese, Rowell, Smith, Lowry

Absent: Brewer, Evans

Staff Presentation:

The receiving property, 9430 Shepparton Drive is zoned General Residential (GR) and is located in the Mountain Island Lake Protected Area 1 (MIL PA-1) Watershed. The giving property, 8904 Hunter's Pointe Drive, is zoned GR and also located in the Mountain Island Lake Protected Area 1 (MIL PA-1) Watershed.

The lot at 9430 Shepparton Drive owned by James and Heather Dyke has a total maximum allowable Built-Upon Area (B.U. Area) of 24% or 1,987 sq. ft. This is based upon the recorded final plat for the property. Currently, the lot has 3,073 sq. ft. of impervious coverage, which is not compliant as it exceeds the permitted impervious amount by 1,086 sq. ft.

The lot located at 8904 Hunter's Pointe Drive owned by Paul and Jennifer Hunt has a

maximum allowable B.U. Area of 10,881 sq. ft. This is based upon the Watershed overlay district because the plat does not have a recorded maximum B.U. Area. Based on Article 3.3.2-B.e of the Zoning Ordinance lots located within the low-density area of the Mountain Island Lake Protected Area 1 (MIL PA-1) are allowed to have 24% B.U. Area. Furthermore, because the recorded plat does not established the lot's B.U. Area the calculated maximum B.U. Area was reviewed by Mecklenburg County Storm Water Services. Currently, the lot has 3,203 sq. ft. of impervious coverage, which is compliant and has an additional 7,678 sq. ft. B.U. Area for future development.

The applicant proposes to transfer 1,300 sq. ft. of impervious rights from 8904 Hunter's Pointe Drive to 9430 Shepparton Drive. This will give the property at 9430 Shepparton Drive a total of 3,287 sq. ft. of B.U. Area (an excess of 214 sq. ft. for future development).

Staff Findings:

The application has been processed as one development request. The lot at 9430 Shepparton Drive is zoned General Residential (GR) and is located in the Mountain Island Lake Protected Area 1 (MIL PA-1) Watershed. The giving property, 8904 Hunter's Pointe Drive, is zoned GR and is also located in the Mountain Island Lake Protected Area 1. The 1,300 sq. ft. proposed for 9430 Shepparton Drive combined with the proposed permitted square footage for 8904 Hunter's Pointe Drive, will not exceed the total impervious allowed for both parcels, which is 12,868 sq. ft. combined. The paired-parcel lot at 9430 Shepparton Drive is residential and may be further developed for residential purposes. The lot at 8904 Hunter's Pointe Drive is residential and may be further developed for residential purposes. There are no perennial streams, which would require buffers on either parcel. In order to comply with this requirement, a 1300 sq. ft. metes and bounds description of an undisturbed vegetated buffer area will be reserved in perpetuity for the parcel at 8904 Hunter's Pointe Drive, by recording it on a subdivision plat and property deeds at the Mecklenburg County Register of Deeds. The owners of both paired-parcels submitted an application for a Density Averaging Certificate. The surveys provided demonstrate conformity to the intent and requirements of this Article and Section, and that the proposed agreement assures protection of the public interest. If the Density Averaging Certificate is granted, the applicant will prepare a revised deed and plat for both properties. Then be responsible for recording the Density Averaging Certificate for both properties with the appropriate deeds and plats. On December 21, 2016, Mecklenburg County Storm Water staff visited and inspected the lot at 9430 Shepparton Drive. County staff determined the applicant is taking proper precautions, and controlling storm water runoff to the maximum extent practicable through vegetative conveyance. Both properties are in a low-density development area. There have been no watershed variances granted for either parcel. The applicant has complied with all applicable criteria for a Density Averaging Certificate.

Staff Conclusions:

Based on all of the above findings, staff recommends approval to grant the applicant a Density Averaging Certificate, based upon finding of facts that all criteria as outlined in Zoning Ordinance Article 3.3.2.B,i, has been satisfied.

The applicant was called by the Chairman, and indicated they were present for questions, but had nothing to add. There were no individuals present in opposition of the request. Eric Rowell asked the applicant about they made contact with the giving party to which the applicant responded they were friends. There were no further questions. The Chairman called for a Motion (see above).

D. Other Business

1. Discussion of Board of Adjustment Procedures

Meredith Nesbitt, Planner I, presented a brief training refresher to the members and described the three (3) basic duties of the Board (Administrative Review, Variances, and Density Averaging). Training included the decision making process, and elements of a quasi-judicial hearing, which included taking of evidence, and ethics. A handout was given to each member present, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B, and incorporated herein by reference. There was a brief question and answers sections at the end of the presentation. David Peete, Principal Planner, participated. The Town Attorney clarified the definition of an expert witness. The members had no further questions.

2. Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman

Chairman Elected: Joseph Kluttz Vice Chairman Elected: Bethany Welch

E. Adjourn

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2017.

Chairman or Vice Chairman

Michelle V. Haines, Board Secretary

Town of Huntersville BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT 3/14/2017

To:Board of Adjustment MembersFrom:Meredith Nesbitt, Planner ISubject:V17-01, 6855 Colonial Garden Drive

V17-01: The applicant, Elaine Adams, is requesting a variance from Article 3.3.2 B (e), *Built-Upon Area Development Standards*, to allow an additional 196.89 square feet of impervious area over the maximum allowance shown on the approved plat for the subject property.

ACTION RECOMMENDED:

Hold a public hearing and take action on the variance request.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Туре
Staff Report	Staff Report
Exhibit 1 - Variance Application	Exhibit
Exhibit 2 - Carrington Ridge Sketch Plan	Exhibit
Exhibit 3 – Mecklenburg County Storm Water Services comment letter	Exhibit
Exhibit 4 - Article 11.3.3	Exhibit
	Staff Report Exhibit 1 - Variance Application Exhibit 2 - Carrington Ridge Sketch Plan Exhibit 3 – Mecklenburg County Storm Water Services comment letter

V 17-01

6855 Colonial Garden Drive

Case #:	V17-01
Address:	6855 Colonial Garden Drive, Huntersville NC, 28078
Parcel #:	015-423-24
Acreage:	0.264 ac
Property Owner/Applicant:	Elaine L. Adams
Staff:	Meredith Nesbitt – Planner I

The applicant, Elaine Adams, is requesting a variance from **Article 3.3.2.B** (e) **Build Upon Area Development Standards**, see below, to allow an additional 196.89 square feet of impervious area (over the maximum allowance of 3,200 sq. ft. shown on the recorded plat for the subject property). If approved this request would allow the 3,396.89 sq. ft. of impervious area that currently exists on the property to remain. See Exhibit 1 for the variance application.

e) Built-Upon Area Development Standards

For individual buildings or for development projects within Protected Areas 1 and 2, the following impervious area limitations are established on a building or project basis.

PA1 and PA2, low density option

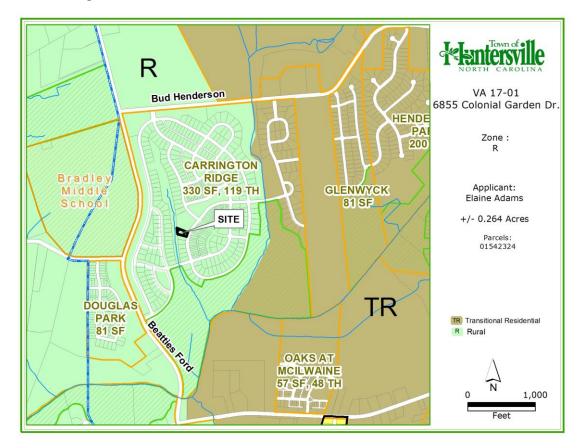
24% B.U. with curb and gutter streets1

36% B.U. without curb and gutter streets1

PA1and PA2, high density option, where permitted

70% B.U. with BMP1

¹ Residential subdivisions approved after 2/17/03 shall reserve, at minimum, 1% of the lot area but not less than 150 sq. ft. impervious area per lot to allow for addition of future impervious areas by homeowner/occupant



BACKGROUND:

- The 0.264-acre subject property is located at 6855 Colonial Garden Drive in the Carrington Ridge subdivision; is zoned Rural (R) and is in the Mountain Island Lake Watershed Overlay Protected Area 1 (MIL PA-1) District. The subject property is also identified as lot 97.
- 2. The Carrington Ridge major subdivision was approved April 4, 2001, see Exhibit 2. In 2001, residential subdivisions were not required to "*reserve, at minimum, 1% of the lot area but not less than 150 square feet impervious area per lot to allow for addition of future impervious areas by homeowner/occupant*". Carrington Ridge was approved with a proposed site impervious coverage of 21.5%, which is less than the required 24%.
- 3. On September 24, 2004, phase 2 map 2 of Carrington Ridge was originally platted showing a maximum impervious allowance of 3,000 sq. ft. for the subject property. The subject property has been shown on three plat revisions (see details in the table below). On October 18, 2005, the property's maximum impervious allowance was increased to 3,200 sq. ft., see Exhibit 1 Page 4 for current recorded plat.

Plat Revision	Purpose of Plat Revision	Maximum Impervious Allowance for Lot 97
February 24, 2005	Add Flood line information, correct zoning information	3,000 sq. ft.
August 10, 2005	Change Impervious Area of Lot 103	3,000 sq. ft.
October 18, 2005	Change Impervious Area for Lots 97-103	3,200 sq. ft.

- 4. A permit for construction of the home was issued on October 7, 2004, see Exhibit 1 Page 5. The plot plan shown on the permit shows a 120 sq. ft. deck (considered pervious material). However, the project data section of the permit describes the 120 sq. ft. surface labeled as a patio (considered impervious material).
- 5. The applicant is the only owner of the property since construction of the single family home. The applicant provided a floor plan from the builder showing the 120 sq. ft. was to be a patio, see Exhibit 1 Page 6.
- 6. The applicant provided a survey dated February 14, 2005, see Exhibit 1 Page 7. The 2005 survey labels the 120 sq. ft. as a deck and notes the total impervious area on the lot is approximately 3,169 sq. ft.
- 7. In July 2016, the property owner applied for a building permit to be able to screen-in the existing patio. The permit application was rejected because Mecklenburg County environmental data shows the subject property exceeds the recorded maximum impervious allowance.
- 8. In October 2016, the applicant had a new survey completed to determine exact impervious calculations, see Exhibit 1 Page 8. The 2016 survey shows a concrete patio and notes the impervious area is 3,396.89 sq. ft.
- 9. Article 11.3.3 of the Zoning Ordinance authorizes the Zoning Administrator to grant administrative waivers for minor deviations from measurable and quantifiable standards of the ordinance, see Exhibit 3. Staff could administrative waive a 96 sq. ft. (3% deviation) impervious exceedance for the subject property.
- 10. All governing bodies have jurisdiction within the Mountain Island Lake Watershed and those entities that use Mountain Island Lake as a drinking water source were notified of this variance request. To date, Mecklenburg County Storm Water Services is the only agency who has issued comments. In a letter dated February 27, 2017, see Exhibit 4, Rusty Rozzelle stated that some relief by way of a variance seems appropriate in this case.

STAFF FINDINGS (ordinance standards are in italics):

Please see Exhibit 1 for the applicant's responses to the required criteria for granting a variance.

In considering any variance request, the following *Standards for Granting a Variance* (Article 11.3.2.e) must be addressed with findings of fact:

Standards for Granting a Variance. When unnecessary hardships would result from carrying out the strict letter of a zoning ordinance, the Board of Adjustment shall vary any of the provisions of the ordinance upon a showing of all of the following:

- Unnecessary hardship would result from the strict application of the ordinance. It shall not be necessary to demonstrate that, in the absence of the variance, no reasonable use can be made of the property. Staff Findings:
 - A. According to the applicant, the patio was permitted by Mecklenburg County and installed by the builder when the home was originally constructed.
 - B. The property currently exceeds the allowed maximum impervious area shown on the approved plat by 196.89 sq. ft.
 - C. Staff has not found any evidence, though permit searches and historical aerial photography, that additional impervious surface has been added to the property since the original build, completed in 2005.
 - D. The strict application of the ordinance causes this property to be in violation of the MIL Overlay District regulations.
 - E. Article 3.3.2 B (e), *Built-Upon Area Development Standards* have not been changed since the subject property was originally platted in 2004.
- 2) The hardship results from conditions that are peculiar to the property, such as location, size, or topography. Hardships resulting from personal circumstances, as well as hardships resulting from conditions that are common to the neighborhood or the general public, may not be the basis for granting a variance. Staff Findings:
 - A. All properties located in the MIL Overlay District are subject to built-upon area limits.
 - B. Staff is unaware of any other properties in Carrington Ridge that were permitted showing incorrectly labeled impervious (patio) and pervious (deck) building elements.
- 3) The hardship did not result from actions taken by the applicant or the property owner. The act of purchasing property with knowledge that circumstances exist that may justify the granting of a variance shall not be regarded as a self-created hardship.

Staff Findings:

- A. According to the application, the patio was installed by the builder prior to closing.
- B. Staff has not found any evidence, through permit searches and historical, aerial photography, that additional impervious surface was added to the property after the original build completed in 2005.
- 4) The requested variance is consistent with the spirit, purpose, and intent of the ordinance, such that public safety is secured, and substantial justice is achieved.
 Staff Findings:
 - A. The intent of Article 3.3.2-B is to allow development with fewer restrictions in the protected areas 1 and 2 than in the critical areas because the risk of water quality degradation from pollution is less in the protected areas than in the critical areas. Huntersville is required by the State of North Carolina to protect drinking water supply. As such, Mountain Island Lake Watershed Overlay Distinct requirements are designed to protect water quality.
 - B. According to the applicant, granting the variance would bring the property into compliance and remove any harm non-compliance may cause (for example: affecting the future sale of the home).
 - C. Staff finds the subject property exceeded the maximum impervious allowed at the time the Certificate of Occupancy was issued by Mecklenburg County.

STAFF CONCLUSIONS:

The applicant is seeking a variance from Article 3.3.2-B (e), *Built-Upon Area Development Standards*, of the Zoning Ordinance, which states, "*For individual buildings or for development projects within Protected Areas 1 and 2, the following impervious area limitations are established on a building or project basis. PA1 and PA2, low density option: 24% B.U. with curb and gutter streets."* Based on the summary of findings, listed below, staff concludes this request does meet the four Ordinance requirements for granting a variance. Therefore, supports granting a variance for this case.

 Unnecessary hardship would result from the strict application of the ordinance. It shall not be necessary to demonstrate that, in the absence of the variance, no reasonable use can be made of the property. Staff Conclusion of Findings:

The property exceeds the maximum impervious recorded on the plat. However, there is no evidence of additional impervious surface added to the subject property since the original build was completed. The strict application of the ordinance would cause the subject property to be in violation of the Zoning Ordinance, thus creating a cloud of the property title.

The MIL PA-1 built-upon area development standards have not changed since the subject property was platted in 2004. It is unnecessary to find the subject property in violation of the MIL built-upon area development standards since the violation was present at the time the Certificate of Occupancy (CO) for the single-family home was issued.

2) The hardship results from conditions that are peculiar to the property, such as location, size, or topography. Hardships resulting from personal circumstances, as well as hardships resulting from conditions that are common to the neighborhood or the general public, may not be the basis for granting a variance. Staff Conclusion of Findings:

The ordinance violation (hardship) is a result of incorrect labeling of impervious surface; staff is unaware of this incorrect labeling on other building permits issued for property in Carrington Ridge.

3) The hardship did not result from actions taken by the applicant or the property owner. The act of purchasing property with knowledge that circumstances exist that may justify the granting of a variance shall not be regarded as a self-created hardship.

Staff Conclusion of Findings:

Staff finds the hardship did not result from action taken by the applicant. The patio was incorrectly labeled during permitting. There is reason to believe the 2005 survey incorrectly labeled the patio thus causing the impervious calculations to be incorrect. Staff concludes the Certificate of Occupancy was issued in error, because of the as built survey mistake.

4) The requested variance is consistent with the spirit, purpose, and intent of the ordinance, such that public safety is secured, and substantial justice is achieved.

Staff Conclusion of Findings:

The spirit, purpose, and intent of the ordinance is to protect quality of drinking water. Staff concludes the amount of exceedance is minimal and was allowed because of mistakes on the building permit and 2005 survey. Because the exceedance is minimal and an existing condition staff concludes public safety is not adversely affected by granting this variance.

Exhibit 1 - Variance Application

- Exhibit 1 Page 4 Final Plat, Dated October 8, 2005
- **Exhibit 1 Page 5** Building Permit
- Exhibit 1 Page 6 Blueprint from MI Homes
- Exhibit 1 Page 7 Original Survey, Dated February 14, 2005

Exhibit 1 Page 8 – Current Survey, Dated October 21, 2016

- Exhibit 2 Carrington Ridge Sketch Plan, Approved April 4, 2001
- Exhibit 3 Mecklenburg County Storm Water Services comment letter
- Exhibit 4 Article 11.3.3, Standards for Granting an Administrative Waiver

STATEMENT OF CONSISTENCY: V17-01, 6855 COLONIAL GARDEN DRIVE

Planning Department	Board of Adjustment
 APPROVAL: In considering the findings of fact for V17-01, a request by Elaine Adams for a variance from Article 3.3.2 B (e) <i>Built-Upon Area Development Standards</i>, the Planning Staff recommends approval based on the requested variance meeting all four criteria for granting a variance, more specifically, we find: It is reasonable to grant this variance based on the following findings of fact: 1. The building permit, including the patio, was approved by Mecklenburg County in 2004. 2. No impervious surface has been added to the property since the Certificate of Occupancy was issued in 2005. 3. Strict application of the ordinance causes the subject property, 6855 Colonial Garden Drive to be in violation of the Mountain Island Lake Watershed regulations. 4. There are no other known building permits approved with inconsistent labeling of impervious surface. 5. The impervious surface is existing and does not negatively affect public safety. 	APPROVAL: In considering the findings of fact for V17-01, a request by Elaine Adams for a variance from Article 3.3.2 B (e) <i>Built-Upon Area Development Standards</i> , the Board of Adjustment recommends approval of the variance based on the requested variance meeting the criteria for granting a variance. It is reasonable to grant this variance based on the findings of fact(<i>Explain</i>)
	 DENIAL: In considering the findings of fact for V17-01, a request by Elaine Adams for a variance from Article 3.3.2 B (e) <i>Built-Upon Area Development Standards</i>, the Board of Adjustment recommends denial of the variance based on the requested variance not meeting the criteria for granting a variance. It is not reasonable to grant this variance based on the findings of fact(<i>Explain</i>)



Variance Application

Exhibit 1, Page 1

Fee: \$150 (Residential) \underline{X} \$300 (Commercial)	Date: January 25, 2017		
Property Owner Information	Applicant Information (if different)		
Name: Elaine L. Adams	Name:		
Address: 6855 Colonial Garden Dr	Address:		
Huntersville, NC 28078			
Email: <u>elaineladams@gmail.com</u>	Email:		
Phone No. 704-766-0497			
Location of Property/Building			
Address: 6855 Colonial Garden Dr	Parcel Size:		
Tax Parcel ID (PIN) Number(s): 01542324			
Text of Ordinance to be varied			
	rticle: <u>3.3.2B</u> Section: <u>E</u>		
	Areas / Built Upon Area Development Standards:		
	the impervious allotment on my property from 3200 sf to 3396.89 sf to cover		
	riginally submitted by the builder and permitted by the County.		

Submittal Requirements

The following must be submitted with the completed application (signed and dated by the property owner and/or applicant):

- One (1) hard copy and one (1) electronic copy of any applicable map(s), site plans, exhibits, and applications showing exact location of property with respect to existing streets, adjoining lots and other important features on or contiguous to the property. Also, include any maps and/or illustrations (to scale), which are necessary to show the location, number and size of buildings, signs, etc., on the property.
- A list of names, addresses and tax parcel identification numbers of properties that abut the site, are across the street from the site or are otherwise within one hundred feet (100') of the site. (Electronic format is preferred)

ADJACENT PROPERTIES		
Name	Parcel #	Address
Allan & Debra I'Jaden	01542323	6847 Colonial Garden Dr
Carrington Ridge Community Assoc	01542325	PO Box 11906 Huntersville
Samuel B. Hales	01542228	6858 Colonial Garden Dr.
Christine Cantrell	01542229	6854 Colonial Garden Dr.
Dorothy Hendrick	01542230	6850 Colonial Garden Dr.
Jennifer Panczyk	01542228	6846 Colonial Garden Dr.



Variance Application

Exhibit 1, Page 2

Notifications Requirements

Planning Staff will be required to notify in writing each adjoining property owner.

Planning Staff will also be required, if you are seeking a variance from the requirements of the Mountain Island Lake or Lake Norman Watershed Overlay Districts, to notify in writing each local government having jurisdiction in the watershed and the entity using the water supply for consumption as follows:

- * Mountain Island Lake Watershed Overlay. Local governments having jurisdiction in the watershed: Charlotte Mecklenburg, Cornelius and Huntersville. Entities using the water supply for consumption: Mecklenburg County, Gastonia and Mount Holly.
- * Lake Norman Watershed Overlay. Local governments having jurisdiction in the watershed: Davidson, Cornelius and Huntersville. Entities using the water supply for consumption: Mooresville, Mecklenburg County and Lincoln County.

Variance Requirements

STANDARDS FOR GRANTING A VARIANCE (Article 11.3.2.e.):

When unnecessary hardships would result from carrying out the strict letter of a zoning ordinance, the Board of Adjustment shall vary any of the provisions of the ordinance upon a showing of all the following:

- 1. Unnecessary hardship would result from the strict application of the ordinance. It shall not be necessary to demonstrate that, in the absence of the variance, no reasonable use can be made of the property.
- 2. The hardship results from conditions that are peculiar to the property, such as location, size, or topography. Hardships resulting from personal circumstances, as well as hardships resulting from conditions that are common to the neighborhood or the general public, may not be the basis for granting a variance.
- 3. The hardship did not result from actions taken by the applicant or the property owner. The act of purchasing property with knowledge that circumstances exist that may justify the granting of a variance shall not be regarded as a self-created hardship.
- 4. The requested variance is consistent with the spirit, purpose, and intent of the ordinance, such that public safety is secured, and substantial justice is achieved.

Appropriate conditions, which must be reasonably related to the condition or circumstance that gives rise to the need for a variance, may be imposed by the Board (Article 11.3.1.e.).

In the following spaces, indicate the **FACTS** that demonstrates to the Board of Adjustment that you meet all the standards for granting a variance:

1. Unnecessary hardship would result from the strict application of the ordinance. It shall not be necessary to demonstrate that, in the absence of the variance, no reasonable use can be made of the property. The difficulty or hardship would result only from these regulations and from no other cause, including the actions of the owner or previous owners of the property.

_ In 2016 it was discovered that, when I made a request for a screened porch over my existing patio, the original survey

incorrectly indicated a deck rather than a 10' x 12' patio (120 sf). The patio was permitted by the county and installed by the builder when the home was originally constructed. I had an independent survey done Oct 2016 which subsequently showed the

impervious overage of 196.89 sf causing a cloud on the title that could impact the future sale of my home. I feel I have been harmed by detrimentally relying and believing, in good faith, that all participants involved in the building process (especially a licensed NC surveyor) did their part correctly, which obviously was not the case.



Exhibit 1, Page 3

2. The hardship results from conditions that are peculiar to the property, such as location, size, or topography. Hardships resulting from personal circumstances, as well as hardships resulting from conditions that are common to the neighborhood or the general public, may not be the basis for granting a variance. The difficulty or hardship is peculiar to the property and is not generally shared by other properties classified in the same zoning district and/or use for the same purpose.

To my knowledge, the cloud on the title due to recently discovered impervious non-compliance is particular to this property and not common to the neighborhood.

3. The hardship did not result from actions taken by the applicant or the property owner. The act of purchasing property with knowledge that circumstances exist that may justify the granting of a variance shall not be regarded as a self-created hardship.

When the home was purchased from MI Homes in 2005, the building permit was issued approving a 120 sf patio which was installed by the builder prior to closing. No modifications have been made by me or previous co-owner to add impervious space.

4. The public safety and general welfare have been protected and substantial justice done. <u>The Board's granting of my request for a variance of the existing impervious would not negatively affect the public safety (this condition has existed for over 12 years without impacting the public safety) and it would bring the property into compliance, removing any harm from me personally through no fault of my own. Thank you.</u>

Property Owner / Applicant Certification

I certify that all of the information presented by me in this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Property Owner / Applicant

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Date

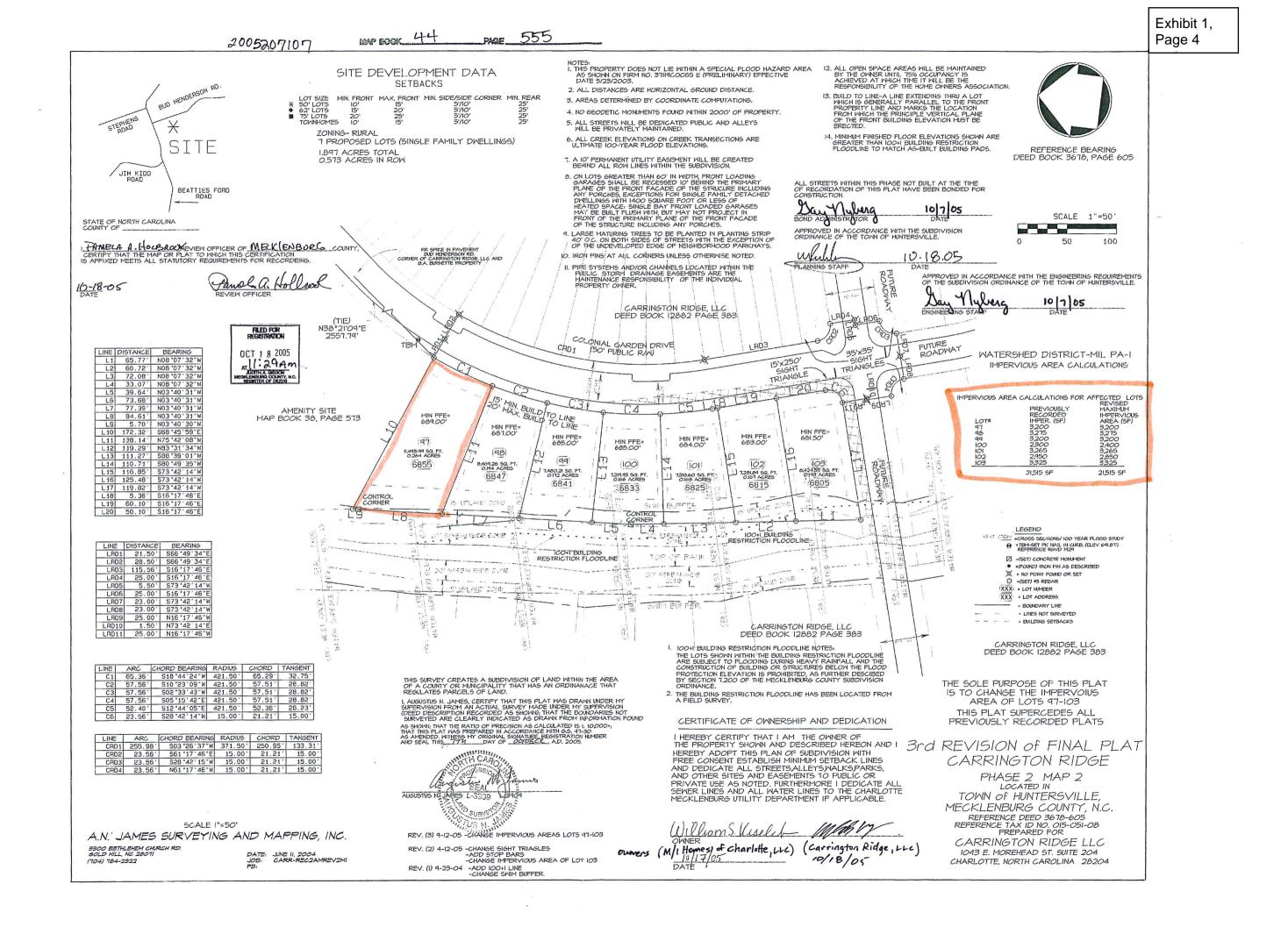
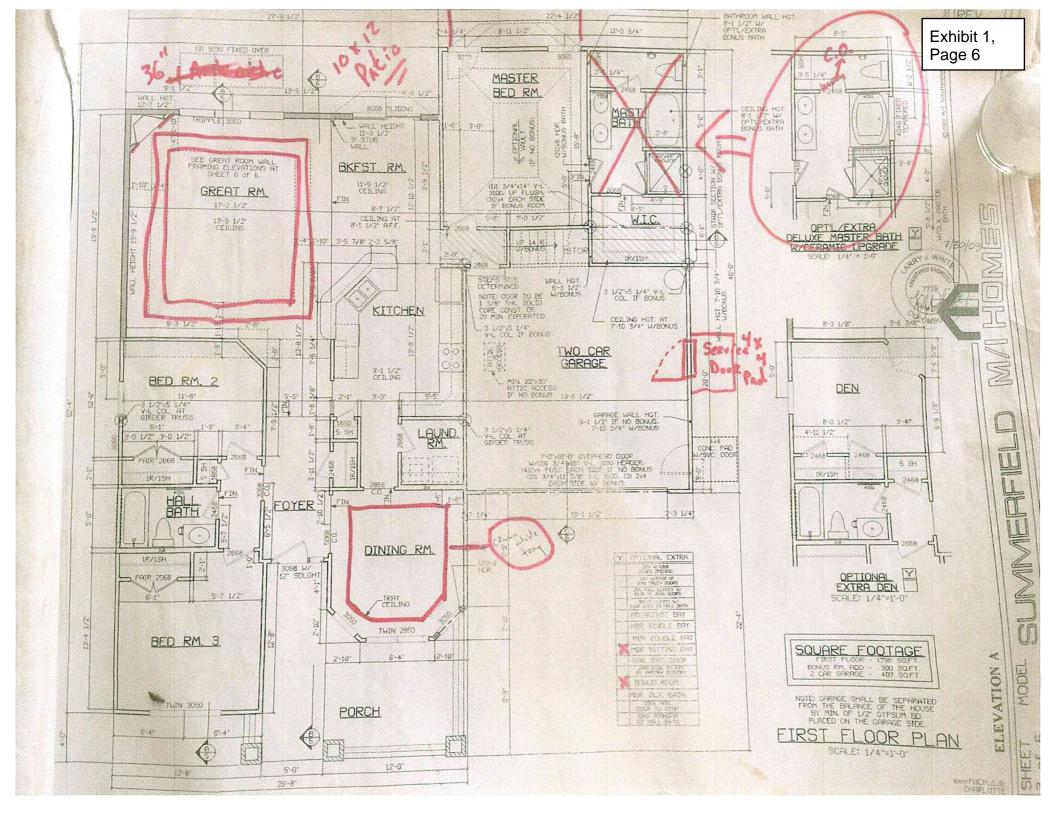
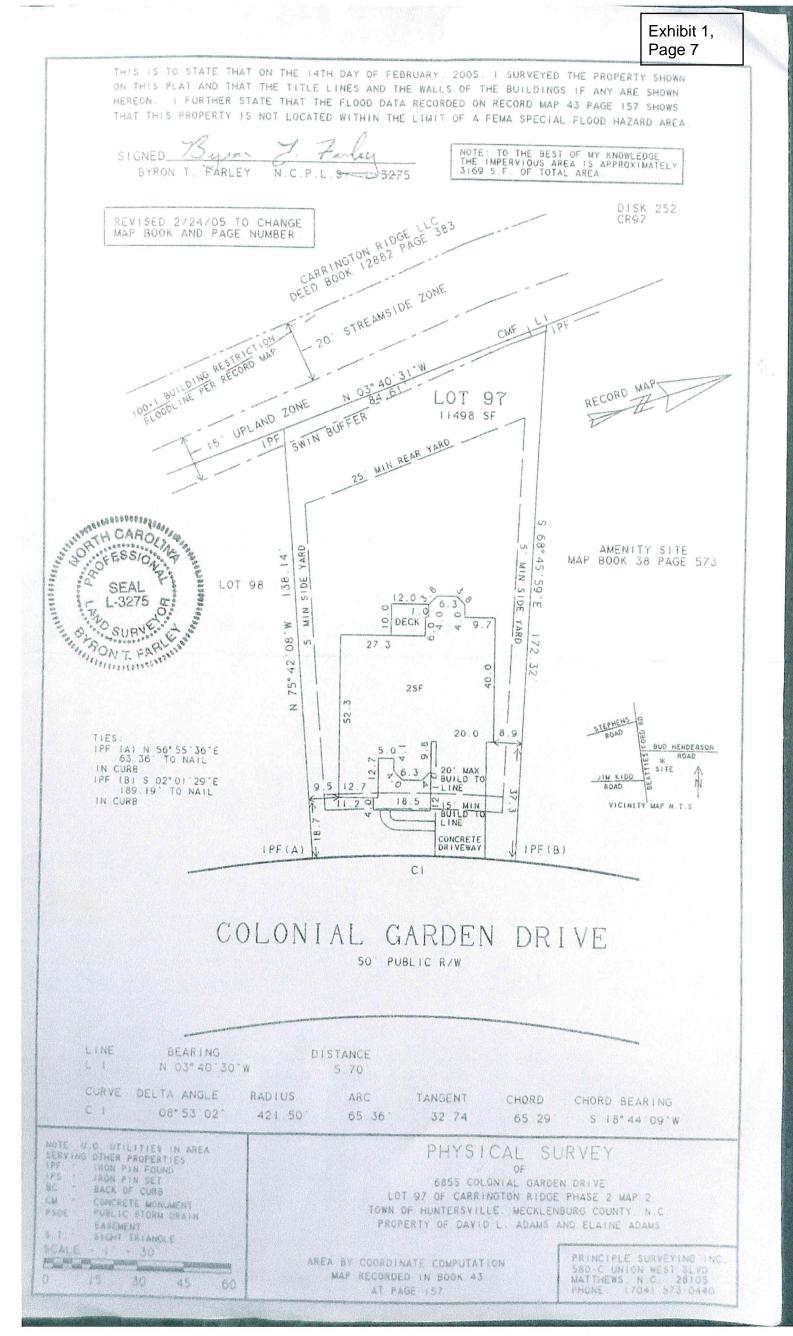
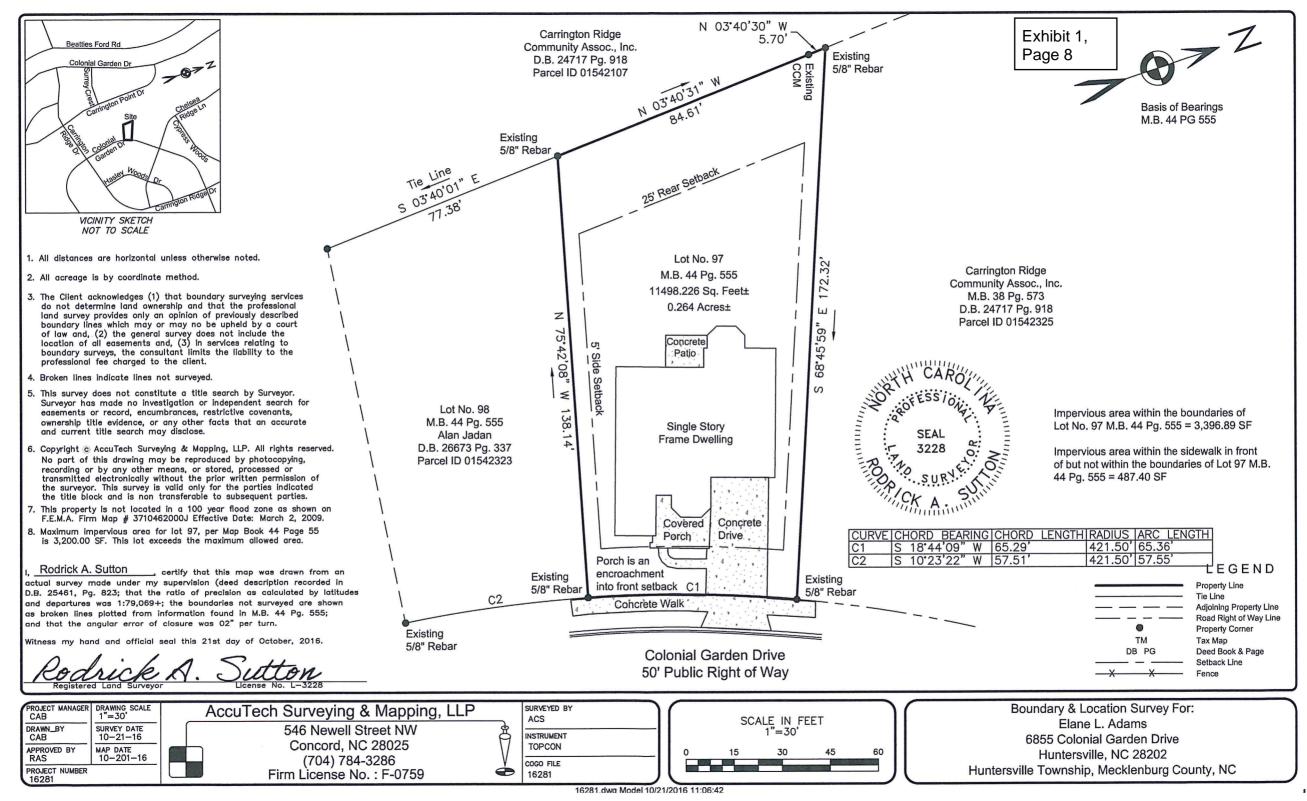


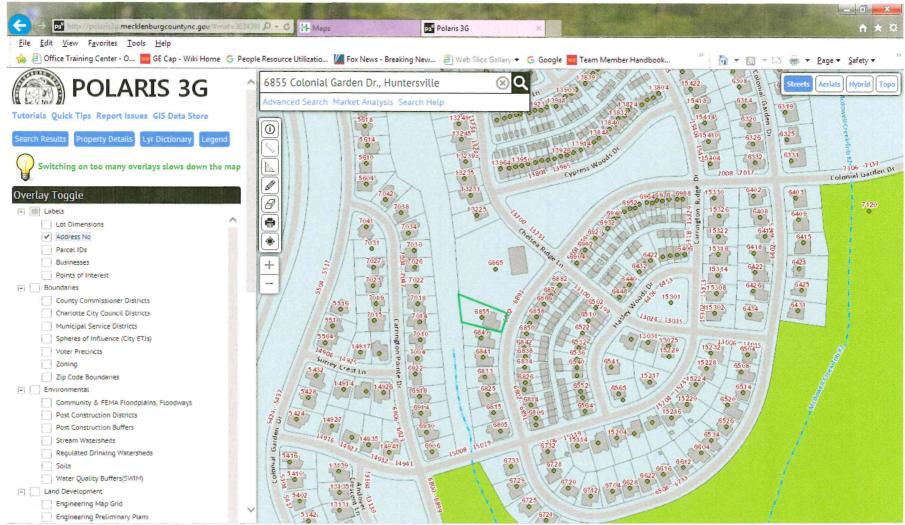
Exhibit 1. Page 5 104-310-0043 OCT-05-04 NADE: ED FRUM-NI MOMES AL HUCHL USE **RESIDENTIAL PLOT PLAN** PERMIT # FOR INTERNET PERMIT APPLICATION LOCATION/SITE DATA Garden 10822 Street Name (Av.Rd,St) Street # (N,5,E,W) idge Phase C Q Section C Project/Subdivision Name an Land Arca (sq. ft.) 49 Block # Lot # **OWNER INFORMATION** 1043 E. MOREHEAD ST., SUITE 105 Owner: _M/I HOMES, INC. Address: ____ Phone # 704-376-9800 State NC Zip 28204 CHARLOTTE City: Tax Parcel # 015-051-08 Tax Jurisdiction FOR DEPARTMENT USE R/W 50 Juris ____ Map # HUNT Zoning TR Special (Circle) C D N P S Flood Plain [] Yes Flood Elev Fire Dist. DYes 5BTULeft Side 5 Lot: Comer C Through 25 Right Side -Left Side Rear Minimum Seibacks: Front 300056 off. Remarks: W/S MIL PA MBUA. Garage must be reces 500 DRAW PLOT PLAN equesting. PROJECT DATA If there are no addition LOT g done. Type Work: New _____Addition ____ Accessory **Project Description:** Single Family (detached) HAP BOOK 36 PAGE 573 __Duplex __ Modular __Garage __ Other _ Area (sq. ft.): LOT 98 3 Heated c Unheated Deek(S)_ NDS Vitio SINDPEPIELD A 벌 Note: This plot plun must be faxed to 336-3823 before your Internet permit will be processed. ALL EXISTING AND PROPOSED BUILDING(S) ON LOT ARE SHOWN WITH MEASUREMENTS INDICATED. Fax # 704-375-0023 Date Print Applicant's Name Applicant's Signature Contractor Name___M/I HOMES, INC. B43770 Contractor Acct. #_ For Department Use MECKLENBURG COUNTY ENGINEERING & BUILDING STANDARDS DEPARTMENT Zoning Approved By P. O. Box 31097. Charlotte, NC 28231-1097 + (704) 336-3803 - Fax # (704) 336-3623 Abbreviations: C = Conditional Use N = Non-Conforming S = Special Use Permit D = Historic District P = Historic Property Initial Date LO.Y 204 336 7333 LAND DEV ADDRESSING OC1-08-2004 J6:46

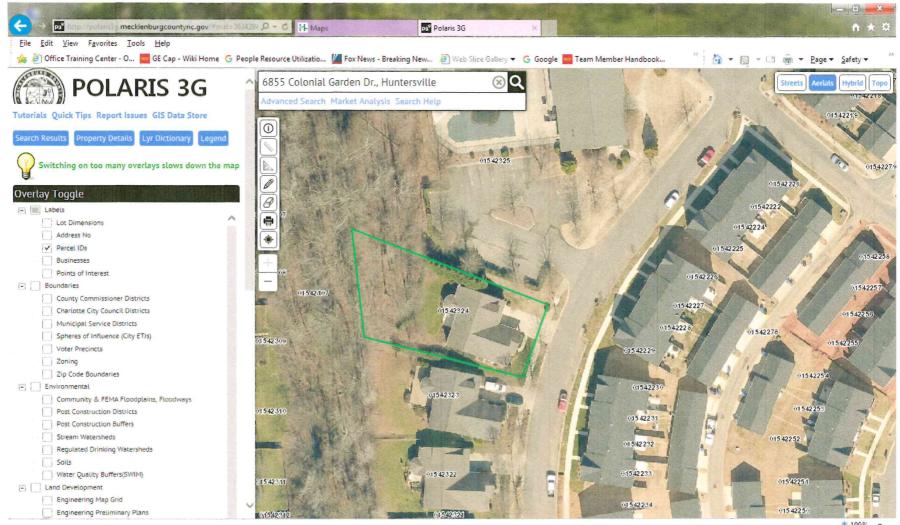
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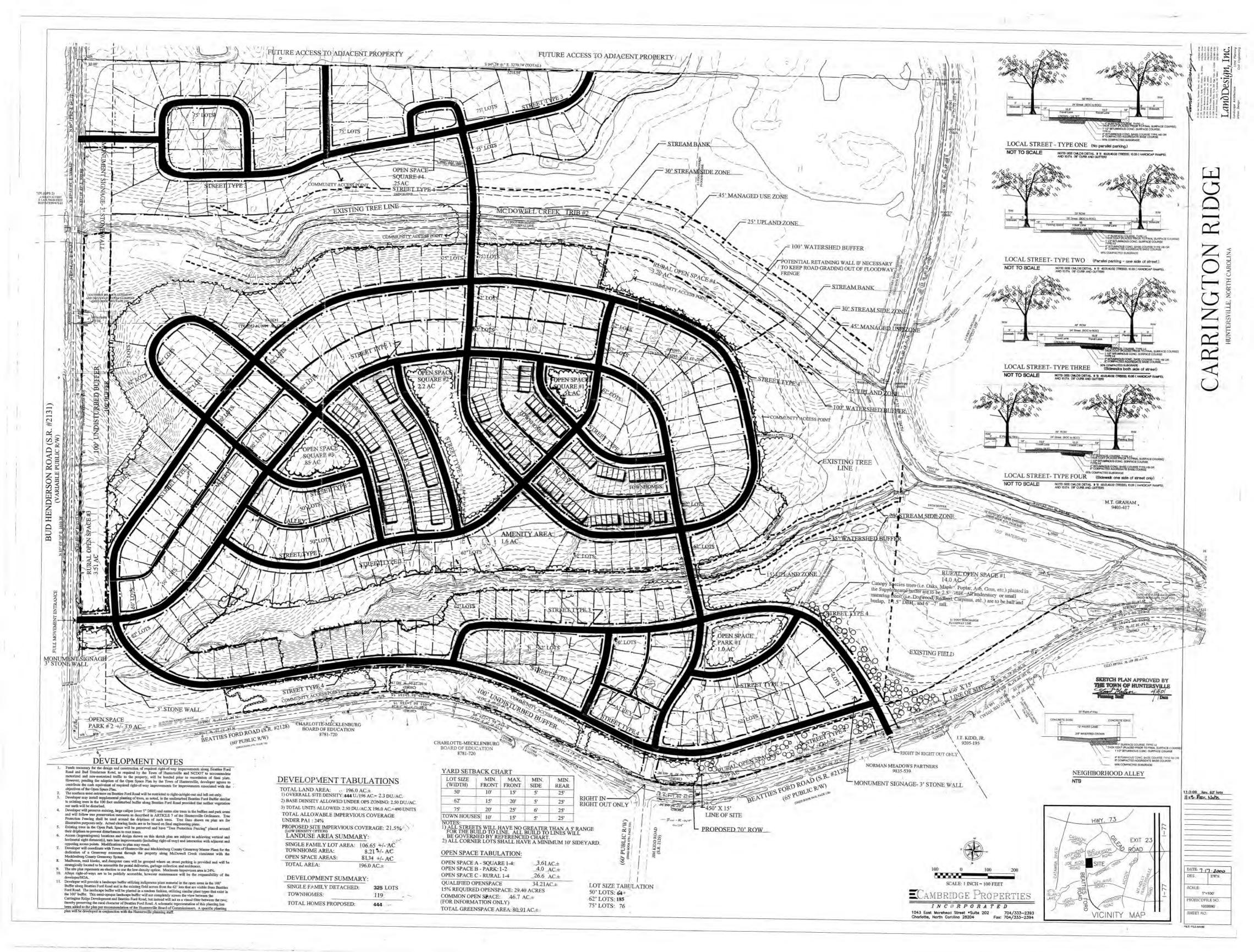








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MEMORANDUM

- **FROM:** Rusty Rozzelle
- **SUBJECT:** Variance Request for 6855 Colonial Garden Drive, Huntersville, NC 28078 (case V#1701)
- **DATE:** February 27, 2017

Thank you for providing notice to Mecklenburg County regarding the subject variance request. In consideration of the facts presented in the variance application, some relief by way of a variance seems appropriate. Density averaging is also a viable option. Please be aware that if approved this variance will result in less than a 10% relaxation of the impervious requirement making it a minor variance that does not require State approval.

If you have any questions, please give me a call at 980-314-3217.





3. Standards for Granting an Administrative Waiver

a) Purpose and Intent

The Zoning Administrator (which term shall include an administrative officer designated by the Town Manager to perform these functions) is authorized to grant an administrative waiver of minor deviations from measurable and quantifiable standards of this ordinance subject to the following limitations:

 The standard for which the waiver can be granted must be a quantifiable and/or measurable standard set forth in the ordinance. Such standards may include, but are not necessarily limited to, height requirements and limitation, yard requirements, parking requirements, screening or buffer requirements, planting requirements, ratio requirements, density requirements, spacing requirements, signage requirements and other similar measurable and quantifiable standards.

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- 2) The Zoning Administrator shall grant such waiver only after the requesting party has demonstrated that such minor deviation was a result of an unintended error or unique conditions of the property, does not and will not violated the spirit and harmony of the ordinance, and does not and will not adversely affect the rights of other property owners in any material manner.
- The minor administrative waiver may not deviate by more than three percent (3%) any of the standards for which the waiver is given.
- b) Construction. The authority given to the Zoning Administrator to grant such waivers shall be construed to be permissive and not mandatory and the Zoning Administrator may decline to make such waiver, and instead, require that the applicant seek a variance from the Board of Adjustment. The Zoning Administrator may not grant any waiver affecting the use or zoning classification; however, this shall not be construed as limiting the zoning Administrator's duties and rights under the ordinance, and whose decisions are appealable to the Board of Adjustment.

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