ITEM 5- Special Exception Hearing for Application SE17-000001 (Whetstone Academy – Group Residential Facility Expansion)

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Section 32-178 Application requirements (for Special Exception)

(1) A complete description of the name and purpose of the proposed facility;

Whetstone Academy is an Educational Boarding School and working farm for middle school age boys. We embody an experiential and project-based (hands-on) learning approach, which extends outside of the classroom.

With this teaching, learning, farming, and gardening style in mind, Whetstone wishes to utilize four temporary storage buildings as project/learning centers for the boys.

We have three other temporary storage buildings that will be used for the following: 1) office and file storage space, 2) feed, grain and tool storage and 3) bicycle, camping and hiking gear storage.

Thank you for your consideration as we strive to better serve this population of young boys.

(2) A complete list of the names, addresses, and phone numbers of board members, owners and investors, as applicable;

Dr. John Singleton 505 South Lovingood Ave. Walhalla, SC 29691 864-723-7384

Silent partner with no voice in company matters is not applicable.

(3) A copy of a license or application for a license to the state department of social services to operate a group facility;

In a separate attached file is the most recent exemption letter from the South Carolina Department of Social Services.

The letter states, "...Whetstone Academy is exempt from licensure...based on DSS Regulation 114-590. A. (7). ...Boarding Schools that do not operate year round or do not offer services beyond those associated with school programming are not encompassed within these regulations...Should you make changes to your program's dates of operations, please contact the South Carolina Department of Social Services..." Attached in a separate document is our school calendar for the academic year 2016-2017.

Also attached in a separate document is a candidacy letter for school accreditation from AdvancED, a non-profit and non-partisan accrediting body that merged several regional accrediting bodies.

(4) State tax identification number or tax exemption certification;

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(5) Two copies of a preliminary development plans and a sketch plan displaying the physical and relative layout of the facility as outlined by section 32-179.

Being provided by Zorn, Inc.

James Holcomb Director of Operations and Human Resources Whetstone Academy 186 Brians Lake Rd. Mountain Rest, SC 29664 Phone: 864-638-6005 Fax: 864-638-6099



Section 32-179 Sketch plan and preliminary development plans (for Special Exception)

(1) An accounting of total acreage in the tract and any proposed subdivision of parcels;

Attached sketch (1) provided (Hard copy turned into office)

(2) Arrangement, shape, dimensions, and area of proposed development;

Aerial view provided; also sketch (1) and sketch C-101 (Hard copies turned into office)

(3) Location of existing property lines, easements, road rights-of-way, buildings, or other public ways adjoining the tract to be developed;

Attached sketch (1) provided (Hard copy turned into office)

(4) Alignment, right-of-way width, and clarification of proposed roads;

No new proposed roads; see attached sketch (1) provided for existing roads (Hard copy turned into office)

(5) Topography by contour at intervals of not more than ten feet;

Sketch C-101 provided (Hard copy turned into office)

(6) Map scale, north arrow, and date;

All map copies contain these requirements (Hard copies turned into office)

(7) Name/address/telephone number of legal owner or agent and the professional (surveyor or engineer) who will undertake detailed layout and improvements design;

Zorn Company, PO Box 842, Seneca, SC 29679

(8) Location of watercourses and land subject to flooding based on a 100-year frequency flood;

No flooding areas exist. There is a pond on the property that will not be affected in any manner from the proposed storage buildings.

(9) The existing and proposed uses of land throughout the development;

The land is currently used as a **boy's boarding school and will** continue to be the same after approval of storage buildings. The storage buildings will be used for storage/office storage and learning/project space.

(10) Proposed method of water supply and wastewater treatment and other utility services;

No water supply and wastewater treatments will be used in any of the storage buildings. Electricity will be used in each storage building.

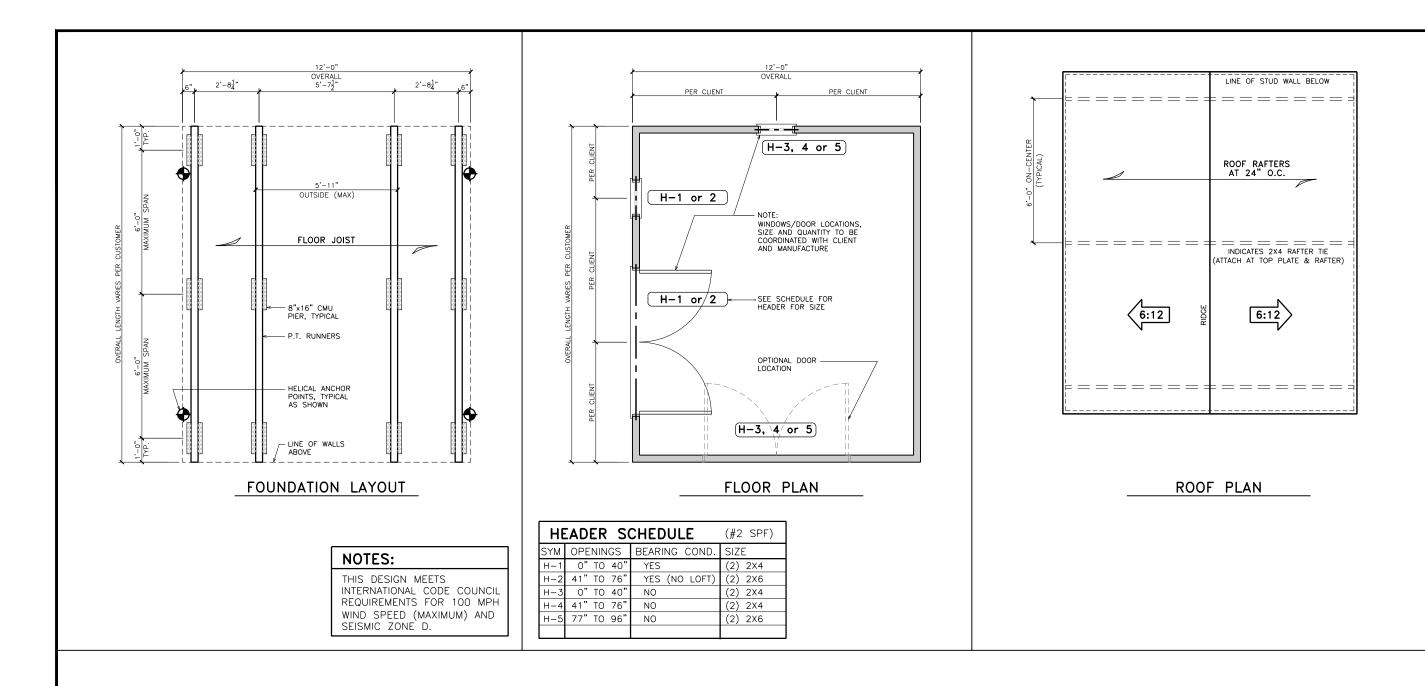
(11) The proposed name of the development;

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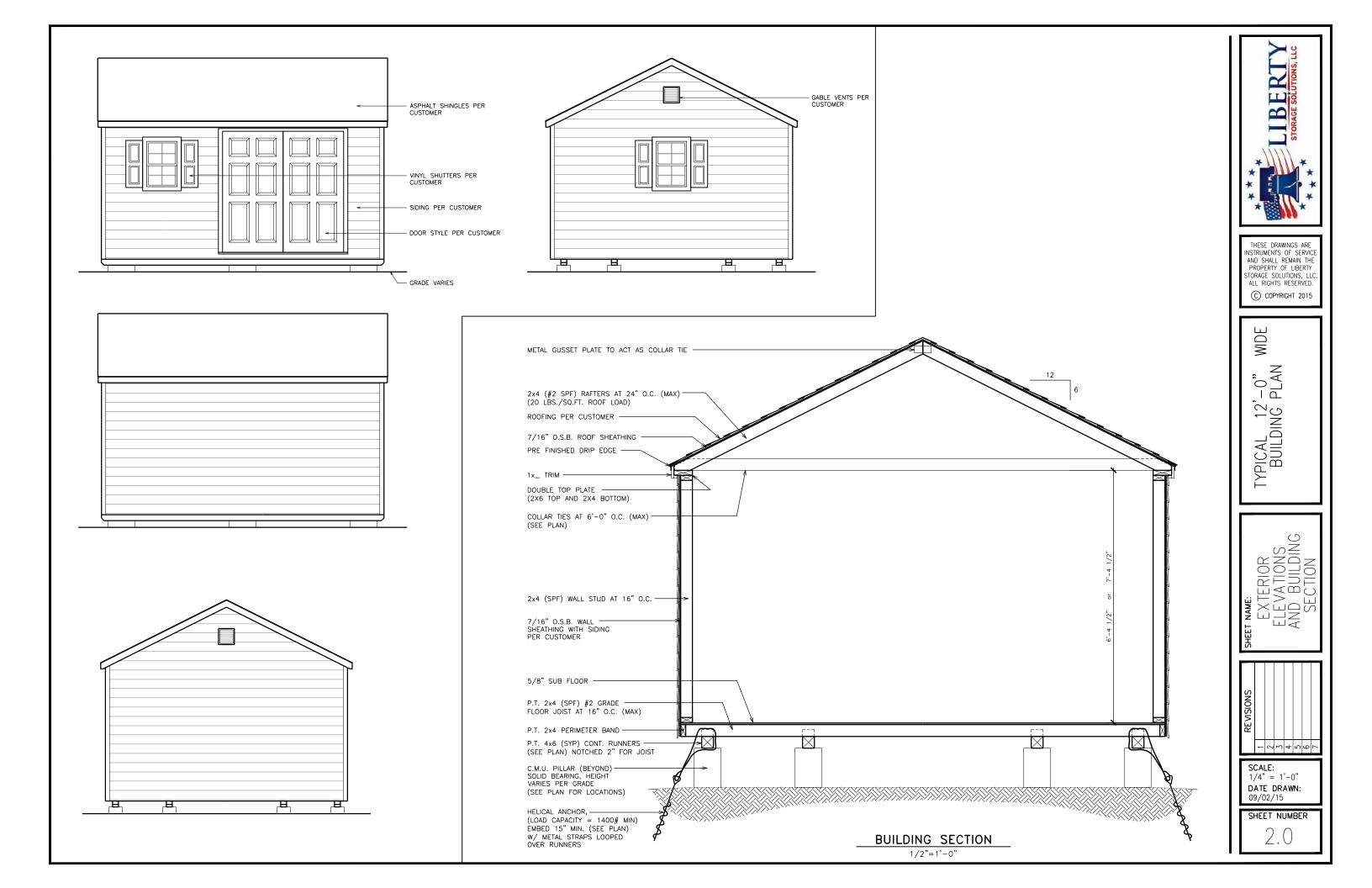
(12) The owner/developer shall submit a sketch plan of this entire tract even **though the subdivider's present plans call for the actual development of only a** part of the property.

Attached sketch (1) provided (Hard copy turned into office)

James Holcomb Director of Operations and Human Resources Whetstone Academy 186 Brians Lake Rd. Mountain Rest, SC 29664 Phone: 864-638-6005 Fax: 864-638-6099







November 1, 2016

To Whom It May Concern:

Whetstone Academy, LLC is leasing the property located at 186 Brian's Lake Road in Mountain Rest, South Carolina from us. Whetstone Academy has my permission to place the appropriate number of temporary modular units on the property to meet the needs of their students.

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Sincerely,

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Jean Carol Stein and Michael Fischer

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ITEM 6- Variance Hearing for Application VA17-000002 (9 Topsail Lane - Setbacks)

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Keowee Key Property Owners' Association, Inc.

January 17, 2017

001139 Travis Chapman 527 Chalmers Mountan Road Walhalla, SC 29691

RE: Unit 001 Lot 139 - Variance Request at 9 Topsail Lane

At its meeting on January 4, 2017, the Committee for Architectural Review and the Environment (CARE) approved your variance. The variance may <u>encroach up to 10.00' into the front 30' setback along the chord N69°36'25"E for</u> proposed addition and overhangs, as submitted on survey, dated December 7, 2016, revised January 6, 2017.

NOTE: This variance includes a grandfathered variance for the house that was built in 1985 that encroached 3.83' into the front 30' setback along the chord N69°36'25"E for the house and overhangs.

Having been granted a variance, you, the owner, are responsible **upon completion of your project to notify the Oconee County Courthouse of this variance**. Failure to do so could result in problems when or if you choose to sell this property.

To support you in this effort, the CARE requires that a final "as built" survey be prepared by a Registered South Carolina Surveyor that:

- Shows the building setbacks (including alternative 25 foot and 25% rear setbacks (prescribed in the covenants for the lot);
- Complete footprint of building including foundations, roof overhangs, porches, patios and decks, outside stairways, driveways, turnarounds, sidewalks, parking areas and retaining walls;
- Show dimensions from point of structure (roof, overhangs, decks, etc.) to each setback line;

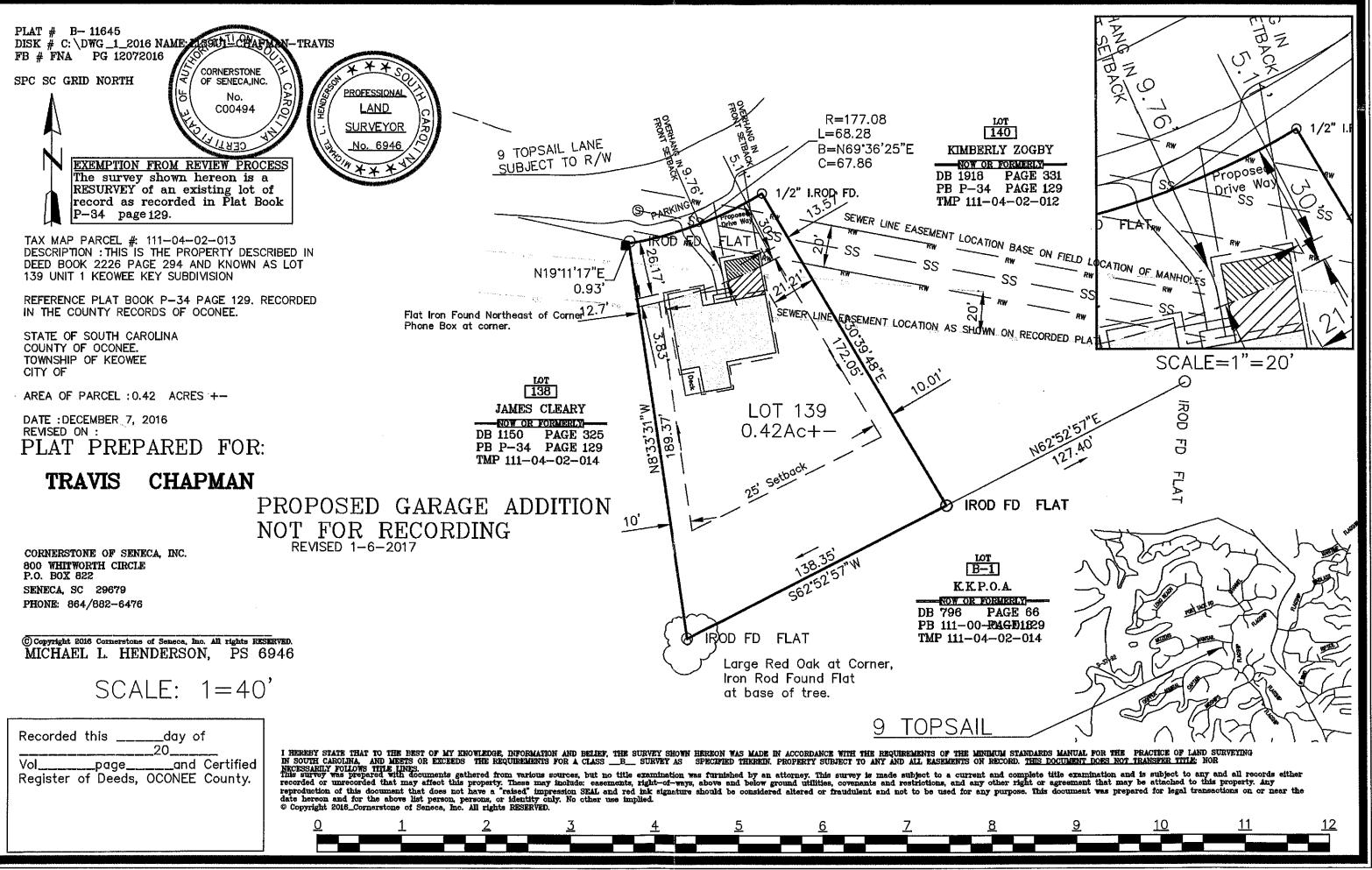
After you receive this "As Built" survey, CARE will prepare a Notarized Letter of Variance, which you should deliver to the Oconee County Courthouse with the "As Built" survey.

If you have any questions, please contact the CARE Office (864) 944-1267.

Sincerely,

Eddie McSwain Chair of Committee for Architectural Review and the Environment

cc: E-mail (McSwain – CARE Chair, Turner – NCS, KKPOA Board Liaison, Collins – KKUS, and Hartford - Construction Manager, Master File)



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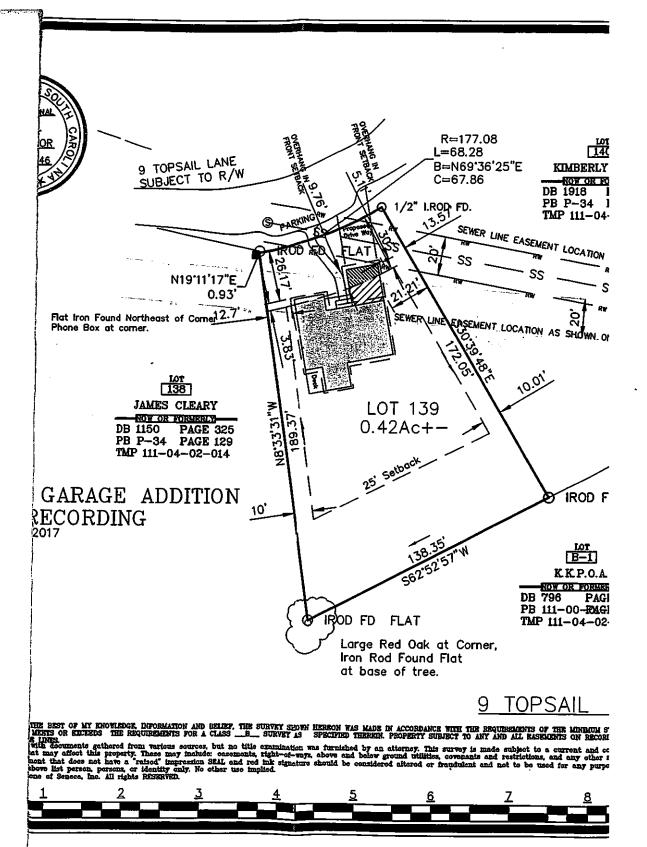
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ITEM 7- Variance Hearing for Application VA17-000003 (2050 Sandifer Blvd. AgPro - Requirements for billboards and other commercial signs)

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January 27th, 2017 Ocones County Board of Zoning Appeals 415 S Pine St. Walhalia, SC 29691

Re: Proposed Sign Variance @ 2050 Sandifer Blvd, Senecu, SC

Dear BZA Board,

I have been retained by Electric City Signs of Anderson, SC to assist in the submission for a variance to allow a double pole business sign for the AgPro Facility located at 2050 Sandifer Blvd. It is my understanding from County Planner Greg Gordos that our proposed sign would be classified as a "Billboard" under County Ordinance. That ordinance indicates that freestanding commercial sign areas greater than 75 Sq Ft would be considered a billboard sign. And with that classification, there must be 1300 feet of separation between billboards. The double stacked billboard positioned on this property is providing a limitation for placing the new proposed sign for AgPro. It is our hope to convince the Board to consider that the freestanding sign proposed for AgPro is more of an on premise business identification sign than a billboard and allow for it's placement on the property.

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I have been involved in the sign industry for the last twelve years and have had very few dealings with billboards because they are typically classified differently than signs. In preparation for this submission for variance, I have done a bit of reading on the home website for LAMAR, which is the industry leader in billboard advertisement. According to Lamar, the standard billboard bulletin is 14' x 48' or 672 Sq Ft. There is a substantial size differential when comparing that amount of square footage to the 98.3 square foot sign proposed for AgPro. While there are other billboard sizes that may be smaller, it is important to point out that billboards are designed for a bit different purpose than an on premise sign. Billboards are found on high volume interstates and highways to advertise for businesses or attractions a significant distance from the specific billboard positioning. These advertisement spaces are rented out on a monthly or yearly basis to paying customers who want to reach massive numbers of travelers along the roadways. Many of the billboards in South Carolina advertise vacation rentals, eats and attractions in Myrtle Beach and Charleston. The owners of AgPro want to place their sign on the property where the business operates.

P.O. Box 362 Sopial, NC 27350 Онног (336) 799-4670 Мояна (336) 312-2624 The double stacked billboard has been present for decades and now presents a hardship to the business now occupying the property. AgPro is an operating business within Oconee County that is contributing tax funds as well as jobs for residents of Oconee County. The hardship that is created for street business identification is unique to this property and perhaps some others that are within proximity to a billboard. Most businesses in the county do not suffer from the burden of this specific ordinance regulation and it would not adversely affect those businesses to grant relief to AgPro for the sign to be installed. The neighboring nursery business has a double pole sign on premise to identify that business. This particular section of highway is divided and higher travelling speeds are permitted. Better visibility of the business locale at the street level would lend more time for motorists to plan maneuvers to turn into the store. The installation of the proposed sign would then also help to improve traffic safety in the area. The granting of this variance would be in keeping with the character of the area and help bolster a business that calls Oconee County home.

Thank you so much,

Heather S. English President

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