

# Meeting agenda Monday March 27, 2023 6:00pm

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Approval of minutes: 01/23/2023
- 3. Board of Zoning Appeals procedure/process
- 4. Brief statement about rules and procedures
- Variance application #VA23-00001- Kathy O'Brien is requesting a 5' variance to the 5' side setback along the northwest property line. TMS 111-12-03-011, address 55 Par Harbor Way Salem SC 29676
- Variance application #VA23-00002- Kerry S Smith is requesting a 9' variance to the 25' front setback. TMS 120-00-01-058 address 675 Pickett Post Rd Walhalla SC 29691

# Oconee County Board of Zoning Appeals

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- Variance application #VA23-00003-Randy Moore of Y&R Construction LLC is requesting an 18' variance to the 25' front setback. TMS 045-00-02-166, address 289 Jocassee Ridge Way Salem SC 29676
- Variance application #VA23-00004- Karuiam Booker of Civil and Environmental Consultants INC is requesting an additional 3' variance to the 25' front setback from the original variance approved as VA22-00009. TMS 176-00-01-155, address 102 Lusk Dr. West Union SC 29696
- Variance application #VA23-00005- Jody Smith is requesting a 2.36' variance to the vegetative buffer in the lake overlay. TMS 193-02-01-012, address 210 Honeysuckle Dr. Seneca SC 29672
- 10. Adjourn

## **BOARD MEMBERS**

Jim Codner, Chairman, District I Gwen Fowler, District II John Eager, Vice Chairman, At-Large Bill Decker, At-Large

# OCONEE COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

415 South Pine Street - Walhalla, SC



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**Minutes** 6:00 PM – January 26, 2022, 2022

Members in Attendance Gwen Fowler Jim Codner

Bill Gilster John Eagar

# Staff

James Coley, Planning Director

Media

NA

ITEM 1 – Call to Order – Mr. Coley called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

**ITEM 2 – Election of officers –** Mr. Coley called for nominations for Chair. Mr. Eagar made a motion that Mr. Codner continue as Chair; seconded by Mr. Gilster with no discussion. Mr. Coley called for a vote. The motion was approved 4/0. Mr. Codner called for nominations for Vice-Chair. Mr. Gilster made a motion for Mr. Eagar serve as Vice-Chair; with no discussion. Mr. Codner called for a vote. The motion was approved 4/0. Mr. Eagar made a motion that Mr. Coley serve as Secretary; seconded by Mr. Codner with no discussion. Mr. Codner called for a vote. The motion was approved 4/0.

**ITEM 3 – Approval of 2023 calendar –** Mr. Eagar made a motion that the proposed 2023 calendar be adopted; seconded by Mr. Mays with no discussion. Mr. Codner called for a vote. The motion was approved 5/0.

**ITEM 4 – Motion to approve the minutes from August 22, 2022 –** Mr. Eagar made a **motion** to approve the minutes from August 22; seconded by Mr. Gilster. Mr. Codner called for a vote. The motion passed 4/0.

**ITEM 5 – Brief statement about rules and procedures –** Mr. Codner outlined the proceedings of the meeting going forward:

- Applicant will provide a presentation to state their request (5 minutes).
- Staff will be asked to make any comments regarding the request.

- The public is allowed to voice their approval or opposition to the proposed. Please do not repeat opinions that have already been stated into the record (3-5 minutes).
- Applicant rebuttal
- Board members will discuss in detail.
- Voting

ITEM 6 – 1. Special Exemption SE22-008, Ron Taffer of Bob Hill Realty- for a new commercial boat dealership in the Lake Overlay for TMS 209-00-01-015, 210 Worth St Seneca SC 29672.

**Applicant's opening statement and provision of evidence**: Mr. Ron Taffer representing Bob Hill Realty. Mr. Taffer stated he is representing the buyer. The buyers are interested in the property because of its location on 123 and the special exemption is required due to the position of the second tract within the overlay. The applicant presented a sketch plan for how the parcels would be used. The

# Staff comments:

Mr. Coley stated the parcel is in the overlay, and as a result a special exemption is required for any commercial purpose. The hearing is only for the parcel outside of city limits.

**Public Comment:** Ms. Cocella- neighbor with concern with access to Worth Street, due to traffic and family safety concerns.

Mr. Teat- neighbor concerns with safety and access to Worth Street. Would like a natural barrier separating the uses.

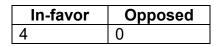
**Applicant rebuttal:** Mr. Taffer stated no access to Worth Street is planned and plan landscaping to enhance the property. Mr. and Mrs. Levandowski want to add natural buffer between the residential and commercial uses. They are only planning to use the overlay property for storage. The business is only operating in the Seneca property.

# Board questions and discussion:

- Confirmation of the overlay parcel will only be for storage
- Lights will have shields
- Stipulation that access would be off 123, and boat deliveries to go west through the back access
- Require landscaping buffer

# Consideration of SE22-008:

- 1. In accordance with the comprehensive plan and is consistent with the spirit, purposes, and the intent and specific requirements of this chapter, to include the definition and intent of the district in which the special exception is being requested:
  - a. Motion Mr. Eagar made a motion in the affirmative, seconded by Mr. Gilster. A brief discussion followed.
  - b. Vote



Mr. Codner noted that the criterion passed.

- 2. In the best interests of the County, the convenience of the community and the public welfare:
  - a. Motion Mr. Eagar made a motion in the affirmative, seconded by Mr. Gilster. A brief discussion followed.
  - b. Vote

In-favor	Opposed				
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Mr. Codner noted that the criterion passes

- 3. Suitable for the property in question, and designed, constructed, operated, and maintained so as to be in harmony with appropriate in appearance to the existing or intended character of the general vicinity:
  - a. Motion Mr. Eagar made a motion in the affirmative, seconded by Mr. Gilster. A brief discussion followed.
  - b. Vote

In-favor	Opposed
4	0

Mr. Codner noted that the criterion passed.

- 4. Suitable in terms of effects on highway traffic, parking and safety with adequate access arrangements to protect streets from undue congestion and hazards.
  - a. Motion Mr. Eagar made a motion in the affirmative, seconded by Mr. Gilster. A brief discussion followed.
  - b. Vote

In-favor	Opposed
4	0

Mr. Codner noted that the criterion passed.

- 5. Mr. Codner asked Based on the evidence presented to the Board, do I hear a motion that the proposed special exception be approved with the following condition: Normal egress shall be through 123 and no access shall be allowed to the east from Worth Street. Occasional delivery traffic will be permitted to exit through Worth Street to the west. A landscape barrier sufficient to obscure the residential property from the commercial property shall be installed between the business and existing residential property. If a fence is installed the landscaping shall be on the residential side of the fence.
  - a. Motion Mr. Eagar made a motion in the affirmative, seconded by Mr. Gilster. A brief discussion followed.
  - b. Vote

In-favor	Opposed
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Mr. Codner noted that the special exception was approved with the following conditions: Normal egress shall be through 123 and no access shall be allowed to the east from Worth Street. Occasional delivery traffic will be permitted to exit through Worth Street to the west. A landscape barrier sufficient to obscure the residential property from the commercial property shall be installed between the business and existing residential property. If a fence is installed the landscaping shall be on the residential side of the fence.

ITEM 7- 2. Variance application #VA22-0014 – Wesley White of Ridgewater Engineering and Surveying is requesting a 5' variance allowing the side setbacks to be reduced to 0' thus allowing for single family attached homes. TMS#'S 225-00-06-008. Closest address of 111098 Watson Dr. Seneca 29672

**Applicant's opening statement and provision of evidence:** Mr. Jamie Turner of Ridgewater Engineer presented for the applicant. The owner is interested in developing 3 five unit townhomes for individual platted sale.

**Staff comments:** This is consistent with individual townhome projects for individual sale. The ordinances have not been updated to allow for exemption from setback requirements for individually platting townhome units for sale.

**Public Comment:** Mr. Brown, owner of the adjacent property, stated his concern with the project building on the lot line. Mr. Hall left prior t making his comments One email from Ms. Binder against the variance.

**Applicant rebuttal:** The lot setbacks are being followed. The variance is only for the side setback requirements on the shared walls to allow for the individual platting of the units for sale. Mr. Turner believes the owner will do landscaping as part of the project.

# Board questions and discussion: None

# Consideration of VA22-014:

- 1. There *are* extraordinary and exceptional conditions pertaining to the particular piece of property:
  - a. Motion Mr. Eagar made a motion in the affirmative, seconded by Mr. Gilster. A brief discussion followed.
  - b. Vote

In-favor	Opposed
4	0

Mr. Codner noted that the criterion passed.

- 2. These conditions *do not* generally apply to other property in the vicinity:
  - a. Motion Mr. Eagar made a motion in the affirmative, seconded by Mr. Gilster. A brief discussion followed.
  - b. Vote

In-favor	Opposed		
4	0		

Mr. Codner noted that the criterion passed.

- 3. Because of these conditions, the application of this chapter to the particular piece of property *would* effectively prohibit or unreasonably restrict the utilization of the property; and
  - a. Motion Mr. Eagar made a motion in the affirmative, seconded by Mr. Gilster. No discussion.
  - b. Vote

In-favor	Opposed				
4	0				

Mr. Codner noted that the criterion passed.

- 4. The authorization of a variance *will not* be of substantial detriment to adjacent uses or to the public good, and the character of the district will not be harmed by the granting of the variance.
  - a. Motion Mr. Eagar made a motion in the affirmative, seconded by Mr. Gilster. A brief discussion.
  - b. Vote

In-favor	Opposed				
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Mr. Codner noted that the criterion passed.

- **5.** Mr. Codner asked Based on the evidence presented to the Board, do I hear a motion that the proposed variance be **Approved**.
  - a. Motion Mr. Eagar made a motion; seconded by Mr. Gilster. No Discussion.
  - b. Vote

In-favor	Opposed				
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Mr. Codner noted that variance request was approved.

Item 8 Discussion of rules regarding timeline for applicant submittals – Mr. Coley presented the change to require applicants to submit all materials 3 business days ahead of the hearing date. A brief discussion followed. Mr. Eagar made a motion to adopt the change; seconded by Mr. Gilster. Mr. Codner called for a vote. Motion passed unanimously 4/0.

**Item 9 Adjourn –** Mr. Eagar made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Gilster. Mr. Codner called for a vote. Motion passed unanimously 5/0.

Kathy O'Brien – 678-682-4313 55 Par Harbor Way Salem, South Carolina

# **Permit Number:** VA23-000001 **File Number:** 23-000227

# Describe the extraordinary and exceptional condition (such as size, shape, and topography) that pertains to the subject property that does not generally apply to other land or structures in the vicinity.

Our objective is to cover the existing deck to make it more useful year-round. It is an enjoyable space that gets the western sun in the afternoon so adding a roof would make the deck more usable and comfortable. The proposed footing and corner of the **roof line on the left side encroaches on the 5' setba**ck but does not cross our property **line. The opposite proposed footing and roof line does not encroach the 5' setback.** The variance request is really for the western corner where it encroaches into the setback **along chord N39 42'00"E. The existing deck is** an odd shape with 5 rails all different lengths.

# Are the circumstances affecting the subject property the result of actions by the applicant/owner? Explain.

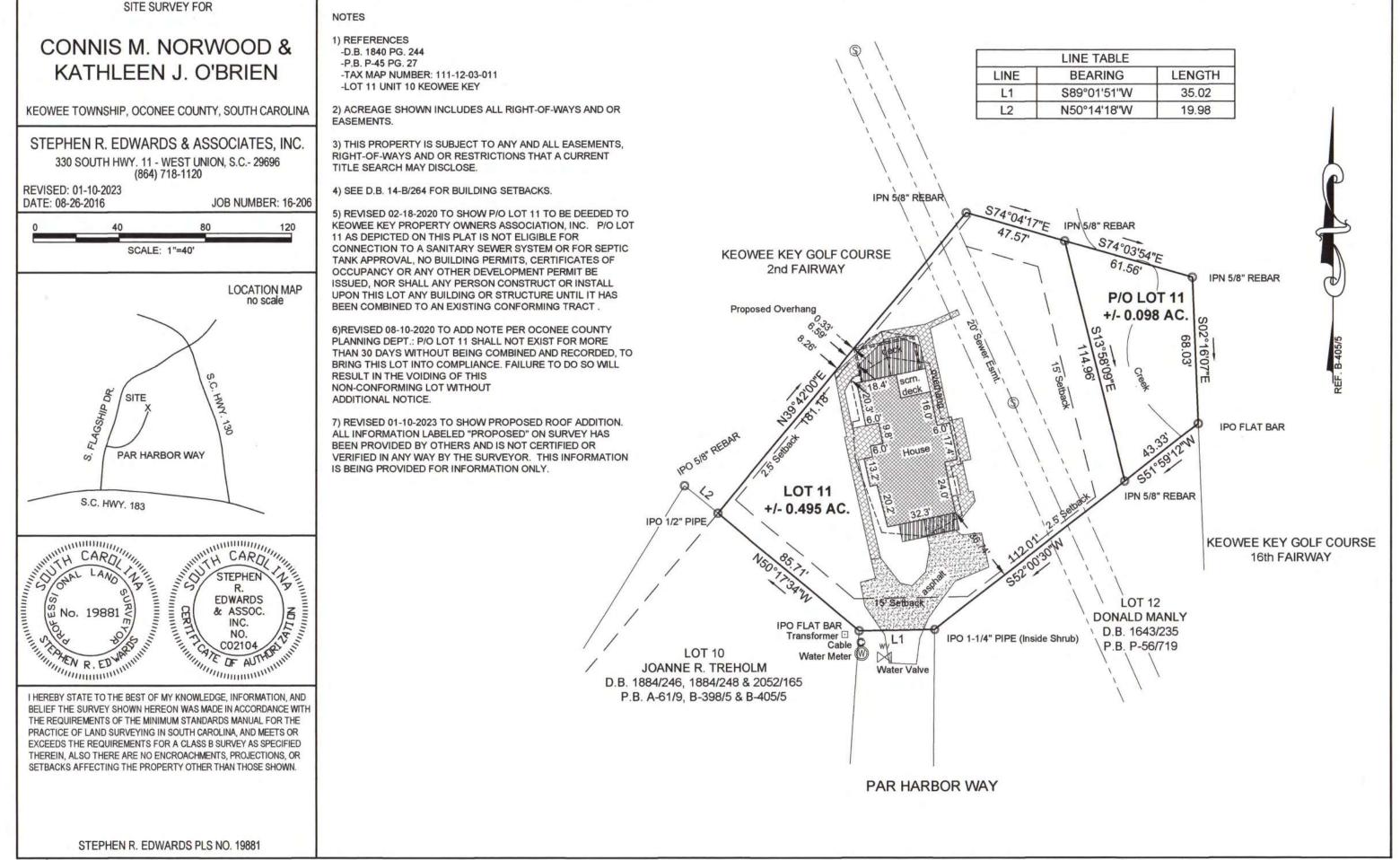
The existing deck and walkway are very close to the property line requiring us to set the **proposed footing on the left side only within the 5' setback.** 

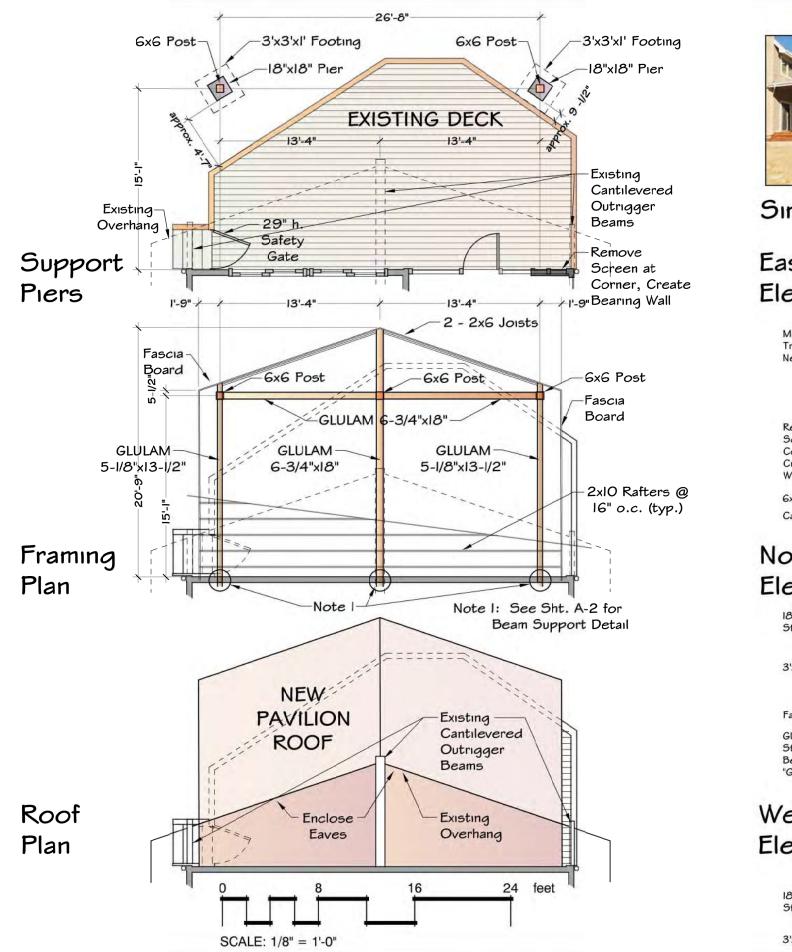
# Describe the ways in which application of the requirement(s) of the ordinance effectively prohibit or unreasonably restrict the utilization of the subject property.

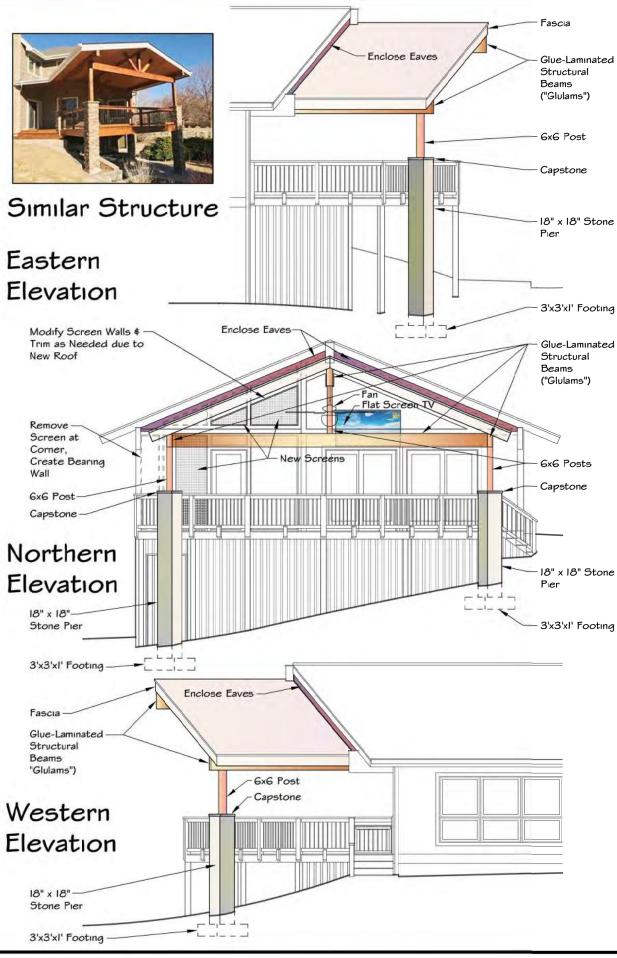
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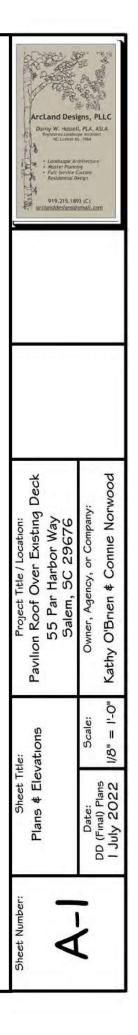
Will the proposed variance result in an activity that will not be of substantial detriment to adjacent uses or to the public good, and the character of the district will not be harmed by the granting of the variance. Explain.

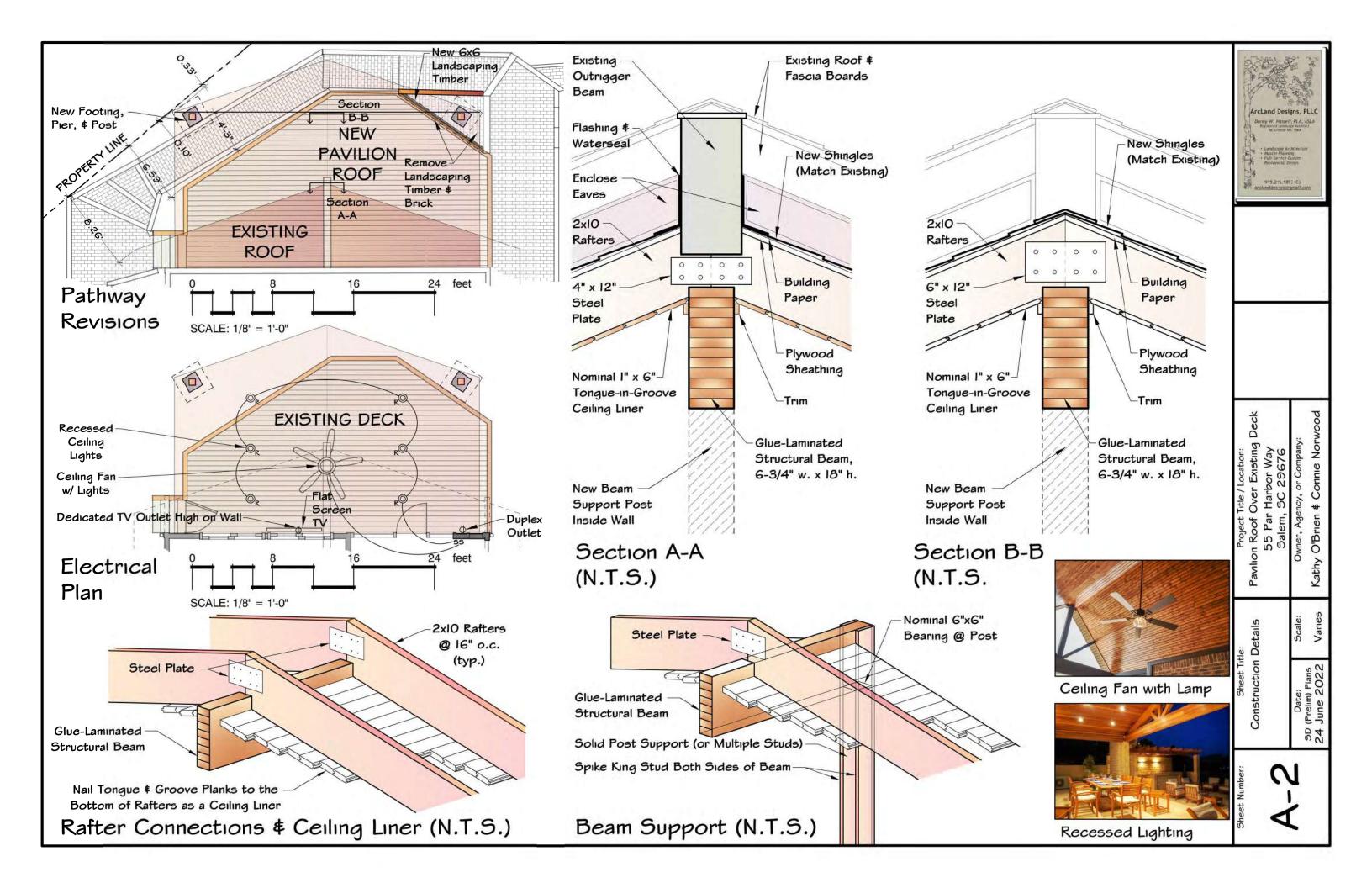
The section of our property in question abuts to Keowee Key owned property which is an out of bounds area of the golf course measuring about 25 yards beyond the out of bounds designation. Because the home is positioned shotgun style on the property, the deck is not visible from the neighbors on either side. The variance request through Keowee Key Community Architectural Review Board was approved and we have received positive comments from neighbors within 200' of said property who were contacted through that review process.













## Keowee Key Property Owners' Association, Inc. January 24, 2023

010011 Kathleen O'Brien & Connis Norwood 55 Par Harbor Way Salem, SC 29676

RE: Unit 010, Lot 011 - Variance Request at 55 Par Harbor Way

Dear Kathleen O'Brien and Connis Norwood:

At its meeting on January 24, 2023, the Committee for Architectural Review and the Environment (CARE) approved your variance to <u>encroach up to 2.5' into the 2.5' side setback along the chord N39°42'00"E for a proposed roof over</u> <u>existing deck, as submitted on proposed survey dated August 26, 2016, revised January 10, 2023.</u>

Please note that adjacent neighbors have the right to appeal the CARE decision in writing to the KKPOA Board within 10 days of the date of this letter.

At this time, you can submit your variance to Oconee County for approval.

Having been granted a variance, you, the owner, are responsible **upon completion of your project to notify the Oconee County Registrar of Deeds 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 15 foot and 15' 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,

EPM

Philip Epstein, Co-Chair Cheryl E. Keith, Co-Chair Chair of Committee for Architectural Review and the Environment

cc: E-mail (Epstein/Keith – CARE Co-Chairs, Pye-MRC, Cook – KKPOA Board, and Belcher - CM, Master File)

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Comments:	I would ask that the board review the information and allow me to erect the Carport shed as an improvement to my property and also to help in the future as my wife and are aging.

OCONEE COUNTYS APPROVAL, PERMITTING, AND/OR INSPECTION(S) OF THIS PROJECT DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE PROJECT IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SUBDIVISION AND/OR HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, OR SIMILAR ENTITYS, BUILDING AND LAND USE REQUIREMENTS OR RESTRICTIONS. BY SIGNING BELOW YOU ACKNOWLEDGE THAT COMPLIANCE WITH ANY SUCH STANDARDS IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY.

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February 24, 2023

Darran and Cheri Vaughn 677 Pickett Post Road Walhalla, SC 29691

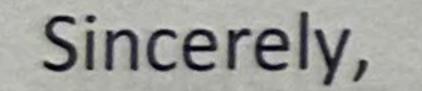
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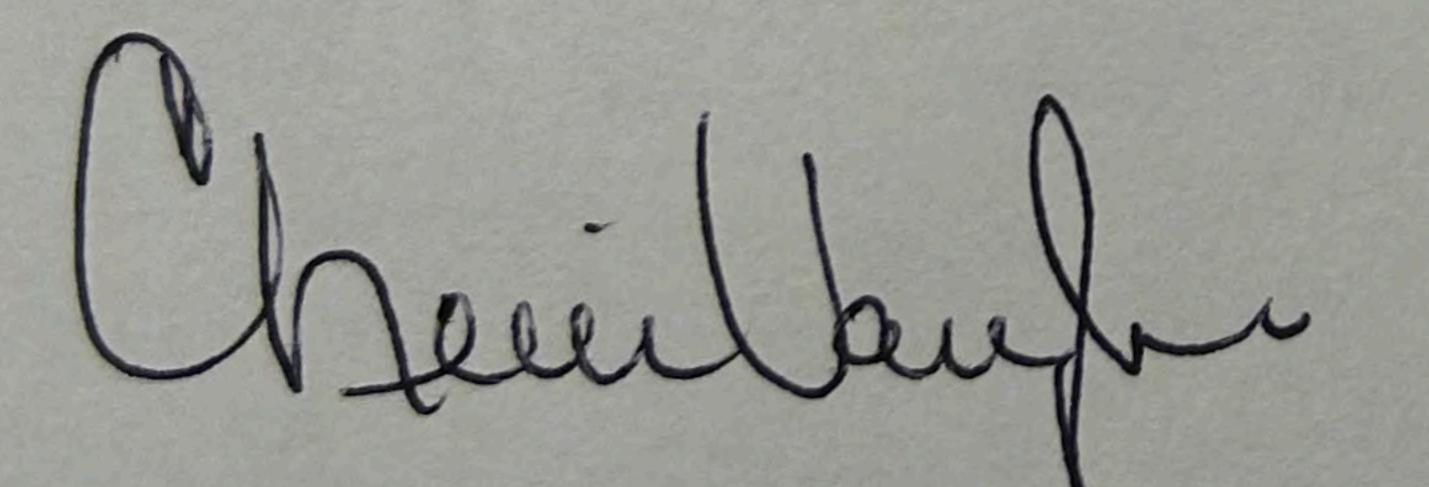
My Wife and I own the property next to Kerry and Diane Smith and have been neighbors for the past 30 plus years. We have been advised by Kerry and Diane that they had submitted a permit to erect a carport shed on their property and have been delayed due to having to submit a Variance appeal for approval to add the carport.

We are aware of the plans to erect the carport shed and do not have any issues with the addition to their property and this will not have any adverse impact to our property. The Smith's own their land, so please allow them to improve their property so that they can commence their work as soon as possible.

Of note, we were unaware of the said variance that may impact Oconee County taxpayers.



Darran Vaughn and Cheri Vaughn



March 9, 2023

Dartanya D. Vaughn 678 Pickett Post Road Walhalla, SC 29691

To Whom It May Concern:

I own the property dwelling across the road from Diane and Kerry Smith. They have been my neighbors for the past 25 years. I am aware that Kerry and Diane have submitted a permit to erect a carport shed on their property and this has been delayed due to having to submit a variance appeal for the approval of adding a carport. First, I was not aware of the mentioned variance that could impact Oconee County taxpayers.

I am aware of the plans to erect the carport shed and I do not have any issues with the addition to their property. This will not have any impact to my property. Kerry and Diane Smith own their property, so I am asking that you allow them to continue increasing the value of their property by allowing them to start the process for getting their carport as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Dartanya D. Vaughn

Reference: Kerry and Diane Smith Oconee County Variance Appeal

Justin and Jessica Vaughn 673 Pickett Post Road Walhalla, SC 29691

February 24, 2023

To Whom It May Concern, My Wife and I own the property next to Kerry and Diane Smith and have been neighbors for the past 10 years. We have been advised by Kerry and Diane that they had submitted a permit to erect a carport shed on their property and have been delayed due to having to submit a Variance appeal for approval to add the carport.

We are aware of the plans to erect the carport shed and do not have any issues with the addition to their property and this will not have any adverse impact to our property. The Smith's own their land, so please allow them to improve their property so that they can commence their work as soon as possible.

Of note, we were unaware of the said variance that may impact Oconee County taxpayers.

Sincerely Justin Vaughn and Jessica Vaughn

# March 10, 2023 Josh Vaughn 669 Pickett Post Road Walhalla, SC 29691

Reference: Kerry and Diane Smith Oconee County Variance Appeal

To Whom It May Concern,

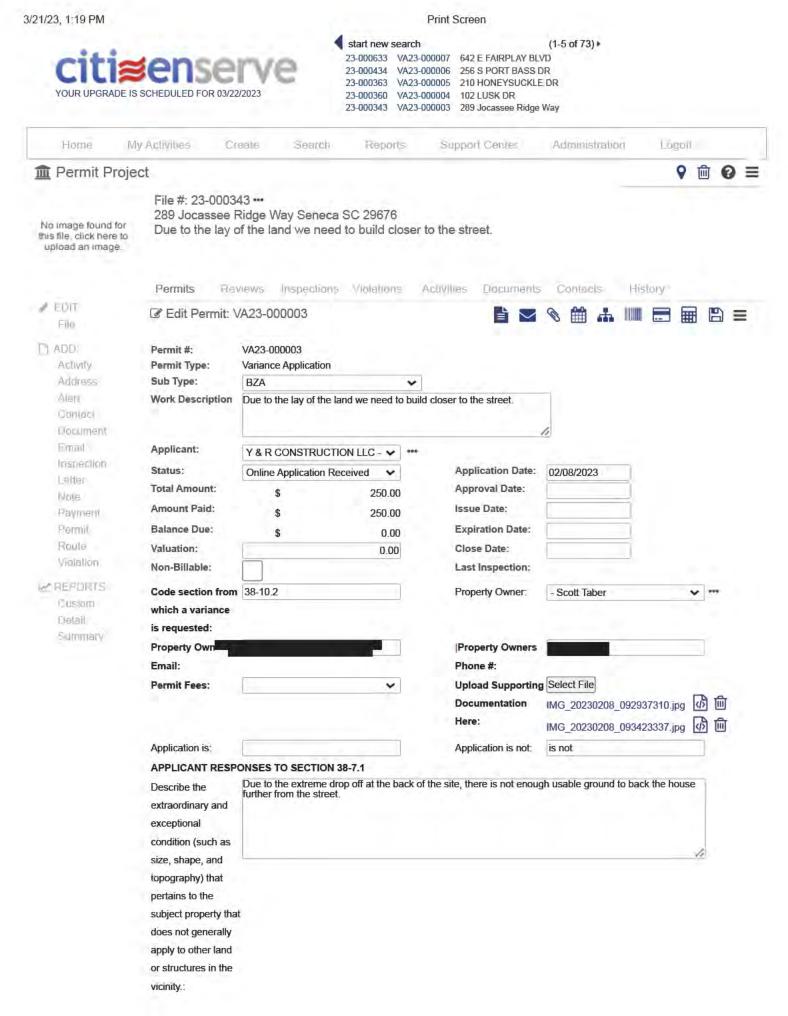
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# Sincerely,

John Vagh Josh Vaughn



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Will the proposed	Approving this variance would not be detrimental to adjacent property. This is a mountain view
variance result in an	development that often requires building closer to the street than normal, due to steep drop offs. There are currently several houses closer to the street in Jocassee Ridge than we are requesting.
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Jocassee Ridge HOA Architectural Committee P.O. Box 387 Salem, SC 29676

## Architectural Committee Variance Approval Letter

To: Oconee County Planning and Zoning Department

## RE: 289 Jocassee Ridge Way, Salem SC 29676 - Lot N-18

<u>Variance Being Requested by Owner/Builder</u>: Meeting required building setbacks would render this lot unbuildable.

If the Applicant complies with the setback provisions of the Oconee County Building Ordinance, the property owner can secure no reasonable return from, or make no reasonable use of his property, and hence request that this variance be issued due to the following circumstances:

A. The existing conditions and circumstances are not the result of the actions of the Applicant or his/her agents but are due to the nature of Smeltzer Mountain and the ridge's topography. This is a mountain view development that often requires building closer to the street than normal due to steep drop offs.

B. Special conditions and circumstances affecting the land (lot) for which the variance is being sought. This lot in Jocassee Ridge Subdivision: There is an extreme drop off at the back of the proposed building site and there is not enough usable ground to back the house further from the street.

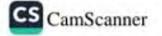
C. Strict adherence of the provisions of Oconee County's criteria would deprive the Applicant of reasonable use of said land and that a genuine hardship exists.

D. The proposed variance is in harmony with the general purposes of Oconee County and Jocassee Ridge Subdivision and is not contrary to the public interest, health, safety, or welfare, considering the drainage and water management characteristics of the surrounding properties.

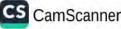
E. The proposed variance is the minimum variance that will make possible the reasonable use of the land to build a single-family home with no adverse impacts on the county's ability to perform its duties under its charter.

F. There are five (5) homes within the vicinity of this lot that sit closer to the road's edge. Allowing this home to be built at +/- 22 feet from the edge of the road (right of way) would not affect any of the existing homes.

Because of all the above noted special circumstances and after duly researching this hardship, the Architectural Committee feels that allowing this variance is a reasonable compromise with the residents







Jocassee Ridge HOA Architectural Committee P.O. Box 387 Salem, SC 29676

of Jocassee Ridge Subdivision. The Architectural Committee also feels that the variance is in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the ordinance and preserves its spirit.

Dean Jackman, Chair Architectural Committee President JRHOA Board of Directors

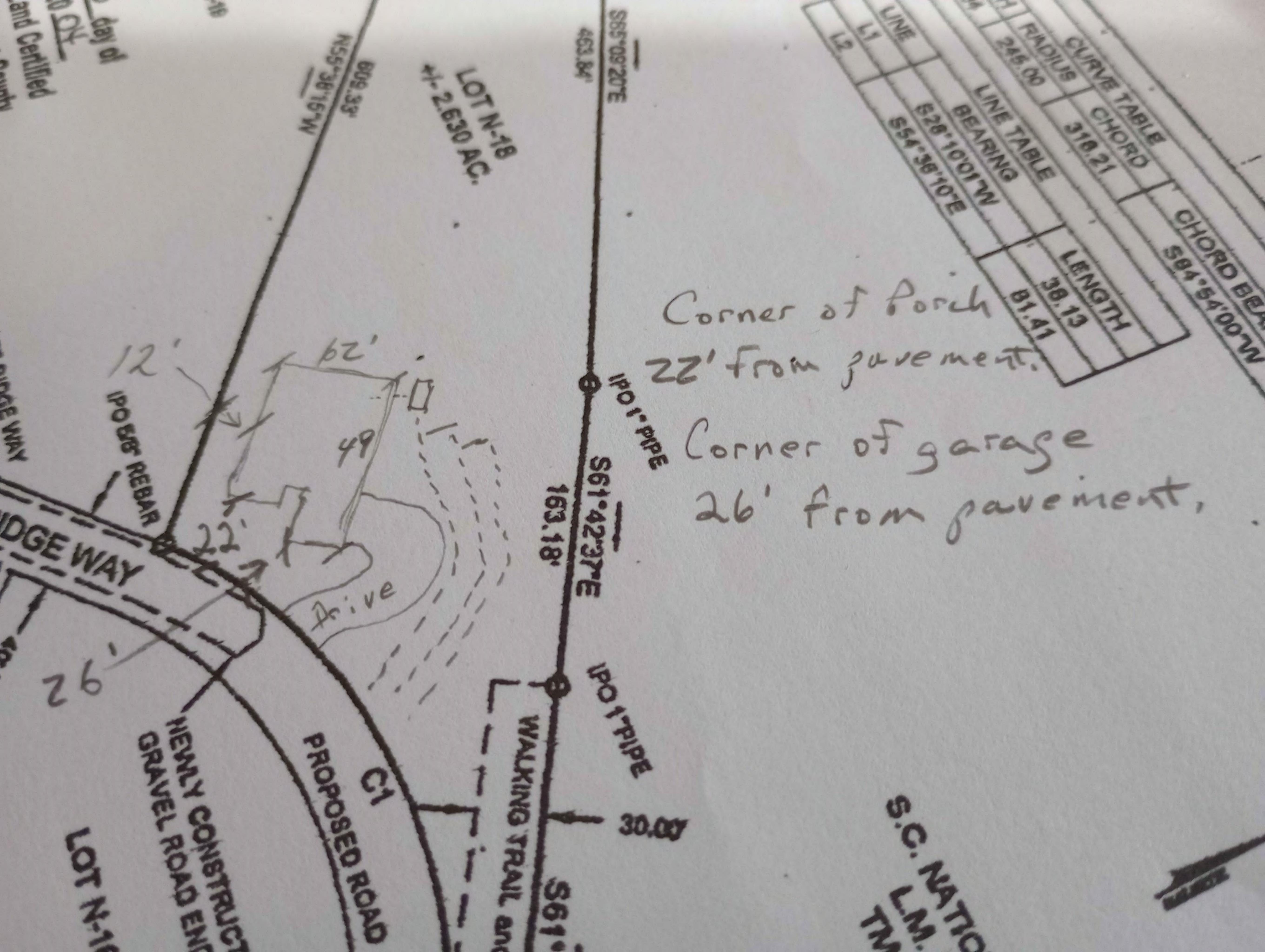
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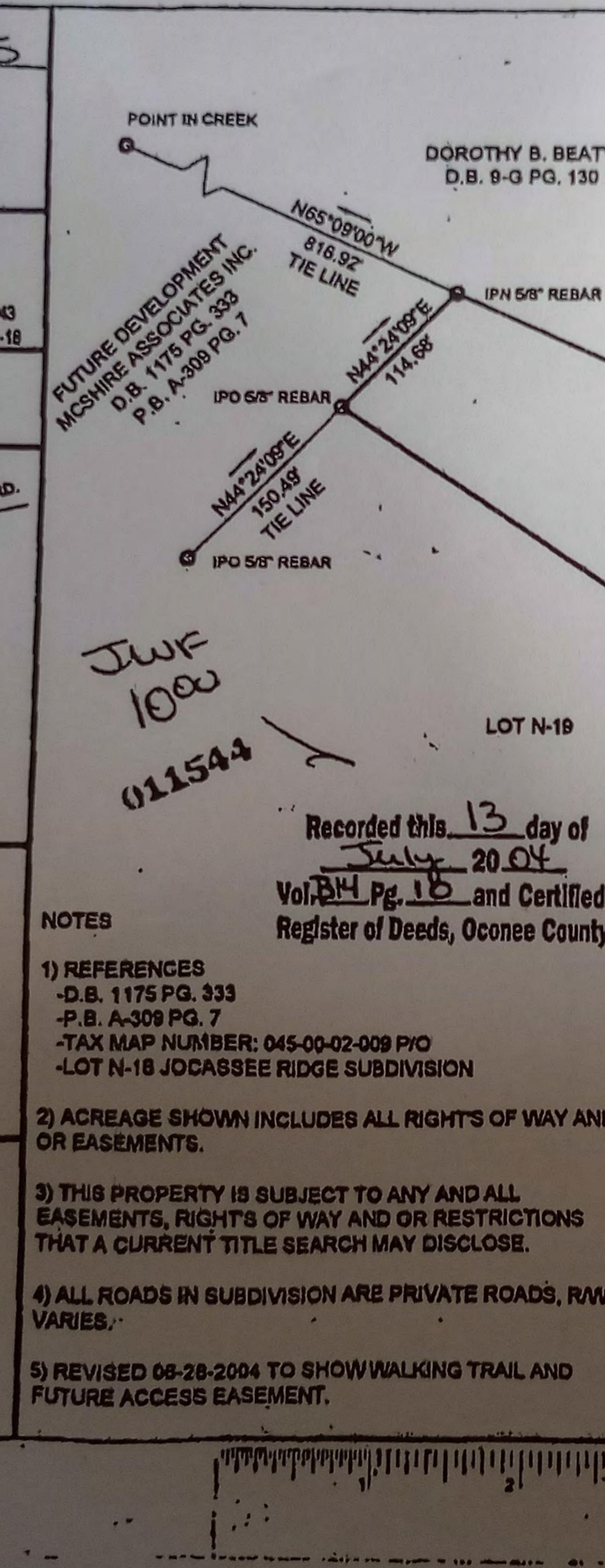
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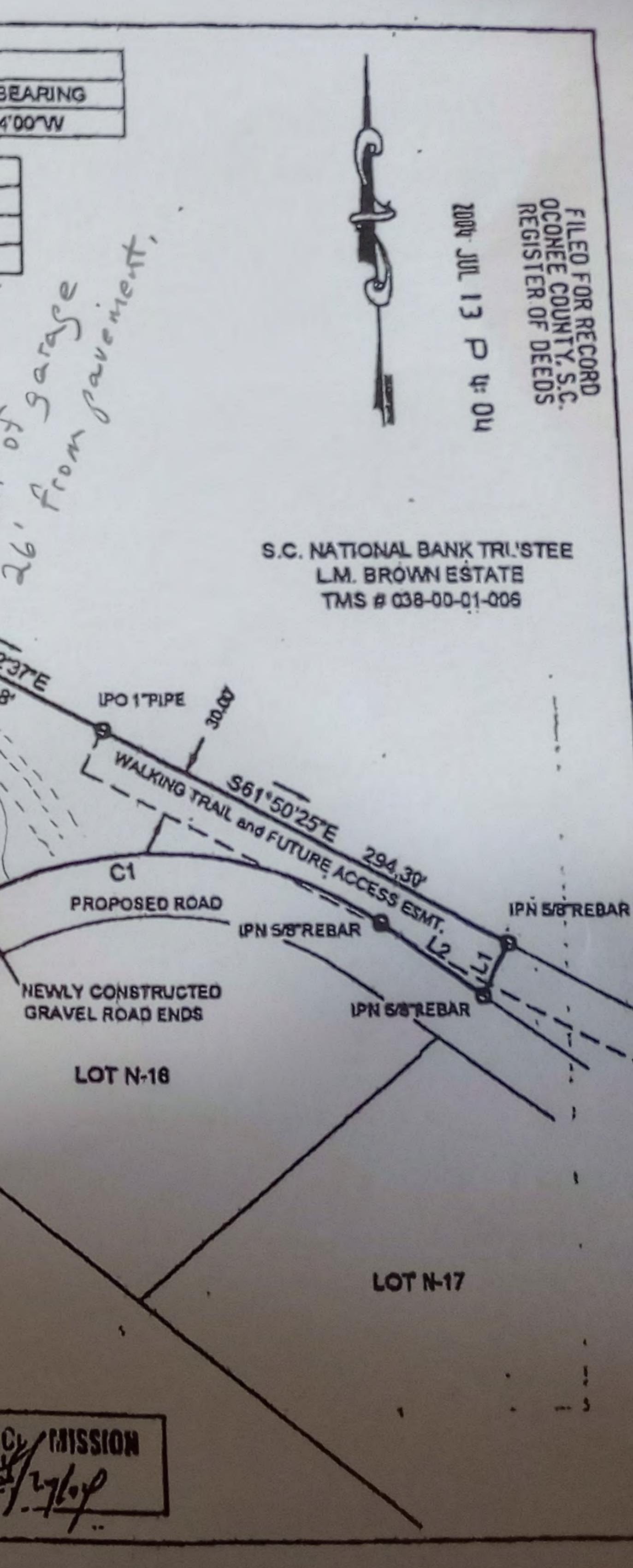


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February 10, 2023

Oconee County Planning Board of Zoning Appeals Attn: James Coley 415 S. Pine St. Walhalla, SC 29691

Dear James Coley:

Subject: Board of Zoning Appeals 2<sup>nd</sup> Variance Request Family Dental Health of Golden Corner CEC Project 324-251

It is our pleasure to present the 2<sup>nd</sup> variance request to the Board of Zoning Appeals on behalf of Golden Corner Dentistry located at 102 Lusk Drive in West Union, SC. The 2<sup>nd</sup> variance is an additional from #VA22-009. This variance is to petition a building setback waiver to allow the construction of a building addition to add seven patient operation rooms, laboratory, and sterilization area to the existing facility. This variance request is being made due to a situation that arose during final building design in which the layout of the floorplan had to be changed to meet ADA accessibility. The additional variance will allow the current dentist office the ability to stay open during construction. It is our determination that this location warrants consideration of a variance to construct a building expansion to the existing facility in the 25-ft. building setback (setback) based on guidelines set forth in Sec. 38-7.1 Variances as provided in the Oconee County Planning Ordinance.

Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. was commissioned by the owner's authorized agent to perform a study of the site. The study concluded that the existing facility is currently located in the setback and that the proposed building expansion would also be constructed in the setback. Sec.38-7.1 Variances allows an applicant to petition an appeal to grant variances in individual cases based on four criteria. This analysis was performed based on the parameters set forth in Sec.38-7.1 Variances of the Oconee County code.

1. There are extraordinary and exceptional conditions pertaining to the particular piece of property.

Based on our professional opinion this site warrants unnecessary hardship. The front of the building faces Lusk Drive with ADA access to the lobby. The western side of the building immediately faces out to a 68-ft. Duke Power R/W, which houses a three-phase power line that extends power further into the City of West Union and the City of Walhalla. While parking lots are allowable in Duke Power R/W, structures of any kind are completely restricted. Also, the most efficient use of the interior space is to add to the building in a linear manner rather than to the side that would take a considerable amount of interior renovation to the existing building to accomplish. Finally, while the existing building was constructed approximately 5.01 ft. outside the R/W at the southernmost corner of the

building, it is angled to where the proposed building addition would only encroach approximately 6.93 ft. outside the R/W at the northernmost corner, reducing exposure to the highway and setback.

2. These conditions do not generally apply to other property in the vicinity.

The neighboring properties to the southeast; Classic Pool & Patio and Walhalla Lumber Supply, respectively, do not face this condition. The single-family homes on Magnolia Drive to the north do not face this condition, nor do any properties across South Carolina Highway 28 (SC28). The reference property was constructed approximately in the year 1985, before community planning was put online through Oconee County. Prior to construction of the reference building, SC28 was widened with approximately 1.10 acres of R/W obtained by SCDOT. Subsequently, during the year of 1985 Duke Energy obtained the 68 ft. of R/W and Oconee County Roads obtained prescriptive road R/W as depicted on the referenced ALTA survey. These conditions do not generally apply to other property in the vicinity and based on the buildable area after all site encumbrances were evaluated the proposed building addition is the only viable option.

3. Because of these conditions, the application of this chapter to the particular piece of property would effectively prohibit or unreasonably restrict the utilization of the property.

Because of these previously referenced conditions, the application of this chapter to the property would prohibit and restrict the full utilization of this parcel as well as the adjacent property. As previously noted, the existing building was constructed at an angle approximately 6.93 ft. outside the R/W and the proposed building addition will be placed approximately 5.56 ft. from SCDOT R/W. In addition, per Sec. 38-10.2 - Control free district (CFD) zoning guidelines from the Oconee County Code of Ordinances, the nonresidential use parameters are as follows:

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Uses	Greater than or equal to <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> acre	N/A	25	5	10	65

\* These setback requirements shall not apply to subdivision plats that were recorded in the Office of the Oconee County Register of Deeds prior to May 7, 2002.

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4. The authorization of a variance will not be of substantial detriment to adjacent uses or to the public good, and the character of the district will not be harmed by the granting of the variance.

This variance will not be of any detriment to adjacent uses or to the public good, and the character of the district will be improved by the granting of the variance. Through approval, this project will increase current capacity of the dental staff in Oconee County, will create jobs, and will add to the beautification of the SC28 corridor.

Thank you for your time in review and please refer to the attached documents for additional information.

Sincerely,

CIVIL & ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS, INC.

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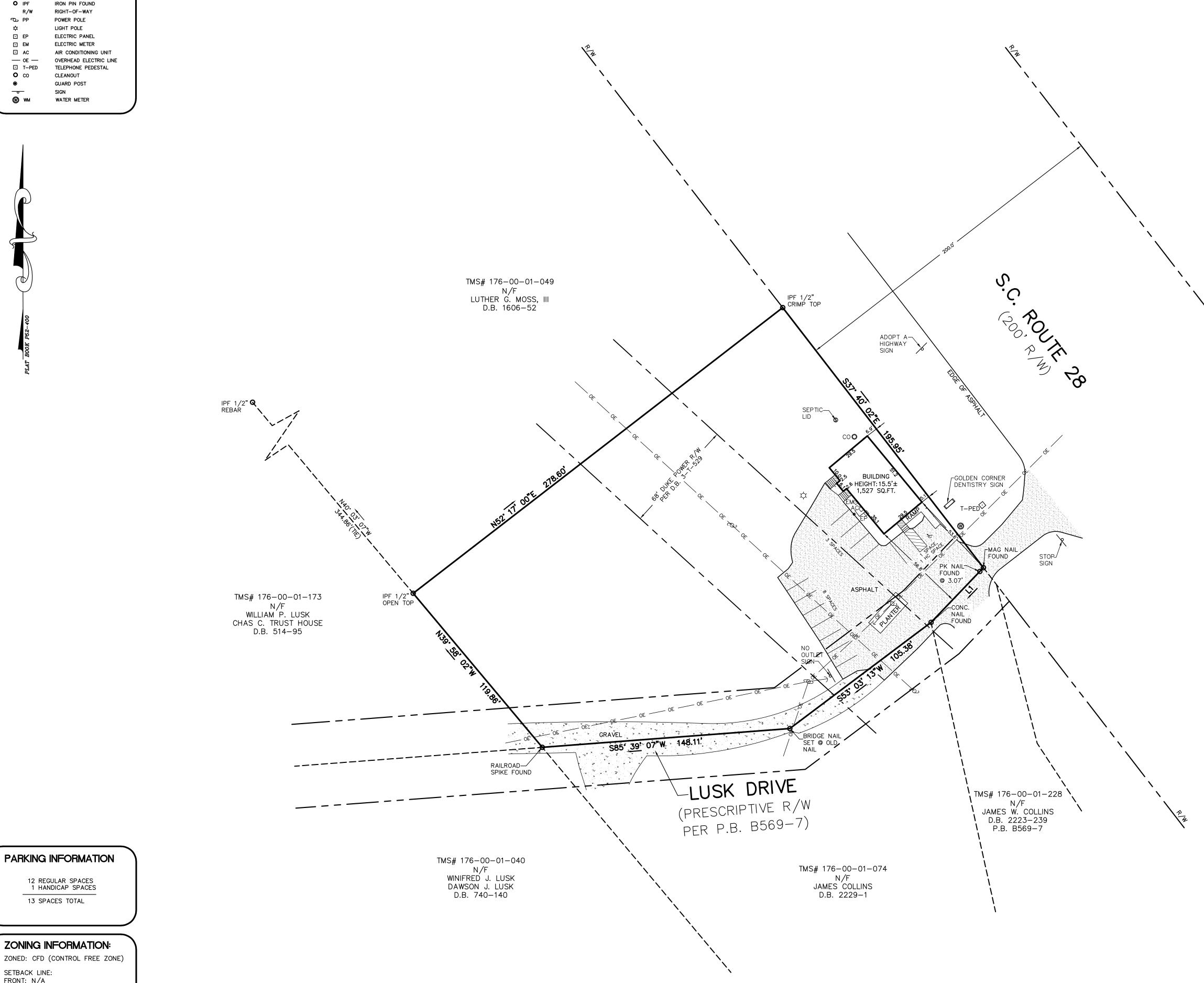
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Enclosures:

ALTA Survey ZV-02 Exhibit A1-Rendering Golden Corner ALTA SURVEY



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ZONING INFORMATION:

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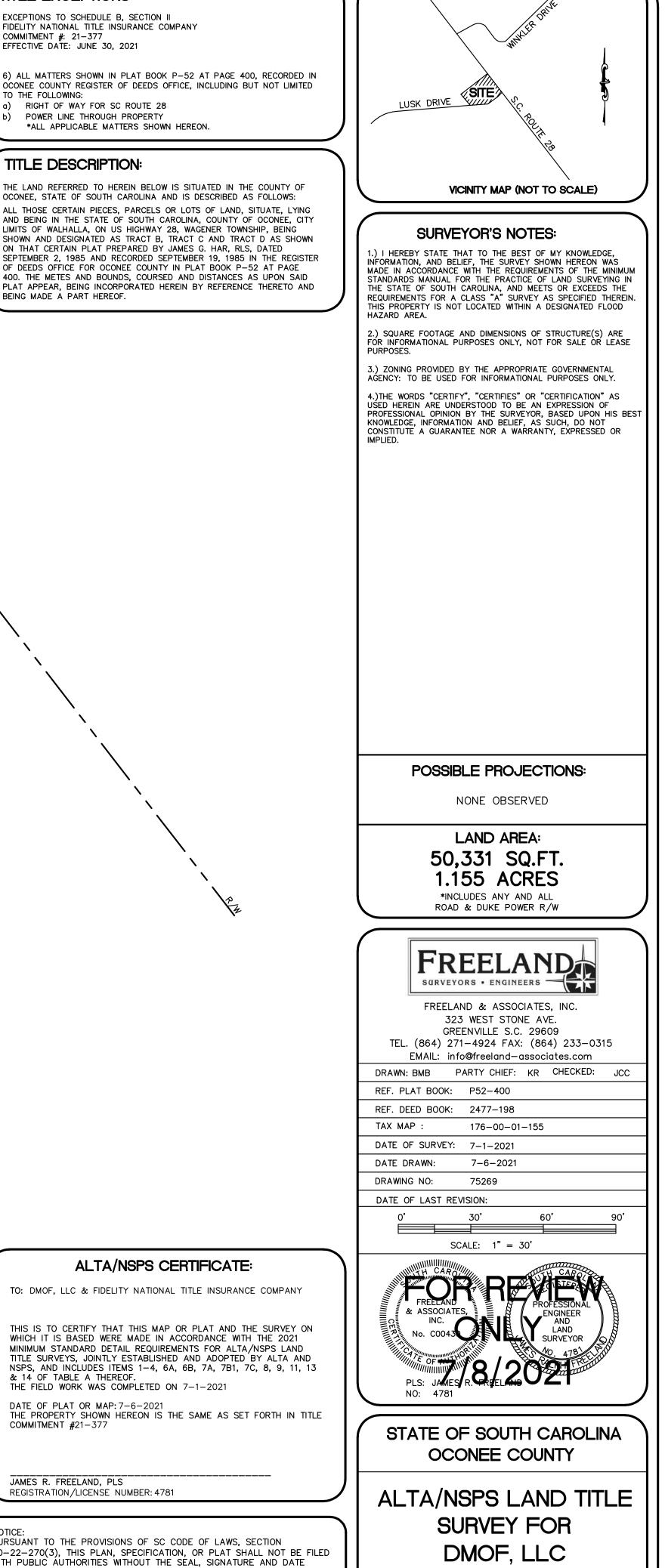
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6) ALL MATTERS SHOWN IN PLAT BOOK P-52 AT PAGE 400, RECORDED IN OCONEE COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS OFFICE, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING:

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PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SC CODE OF LAWS, SECTION 40–22–270(3), THIS PLAN, SPECIFICATION, OR PLAT SHALL NOT BE FILED WITH PUBLIC AUTHORITIES WITHOUT THE SEAL, SIGNATURE AND DATE AFFIXED. FURTHERMORE, IF THIS PLAN, SPECIFICATION OR PLAT DOES NOT HAVE A SEAL THAT IS SIGNED AND DATED, IT SHALL NOT BE USED FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN A PRELIMINARY STUDY DRAWING AND WILL BE CONSIDERED A WORK IN PROGRESS.

JAMES R. FREELAND, PLS

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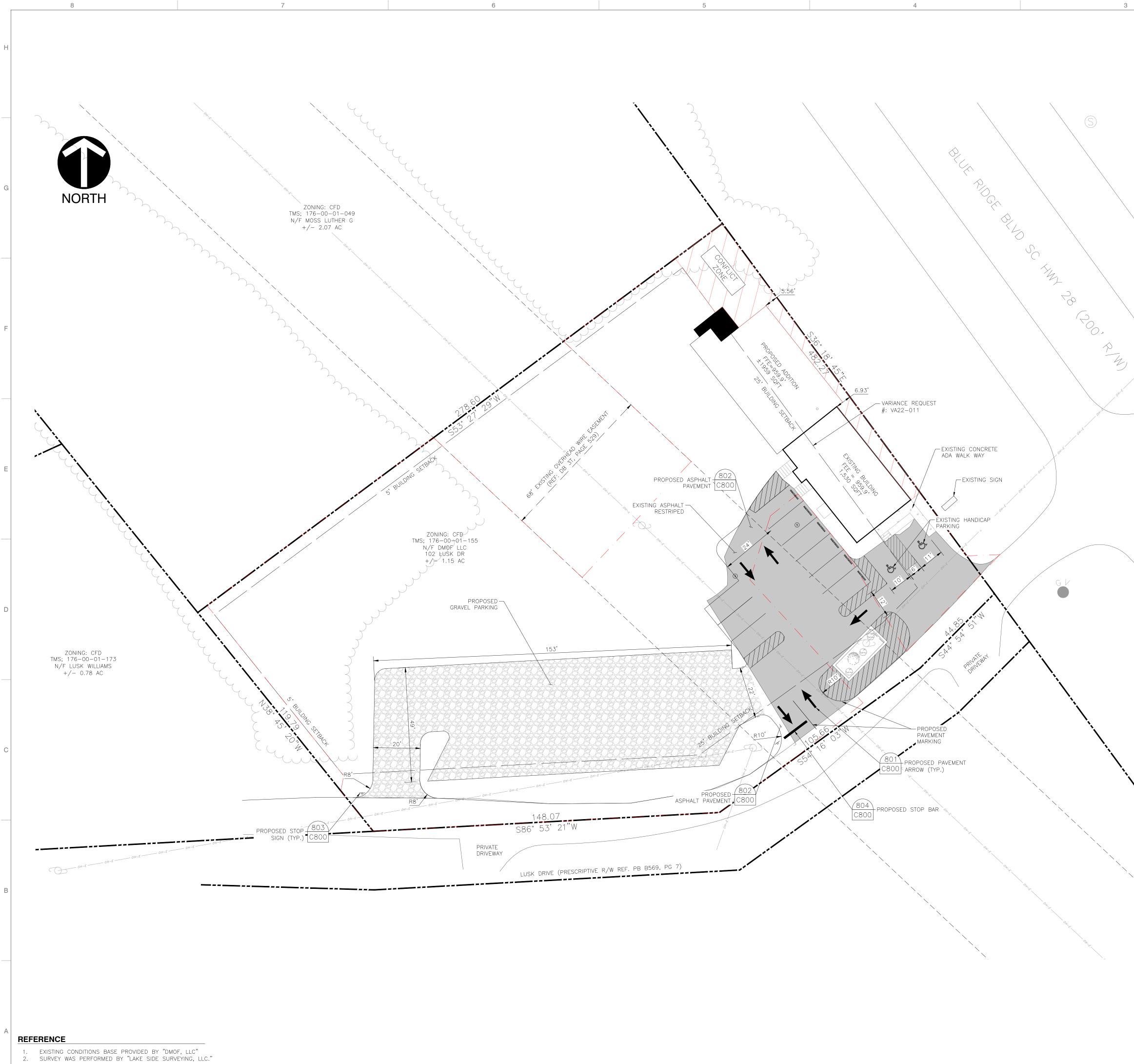
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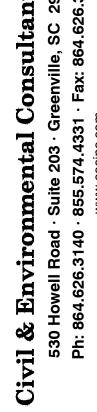




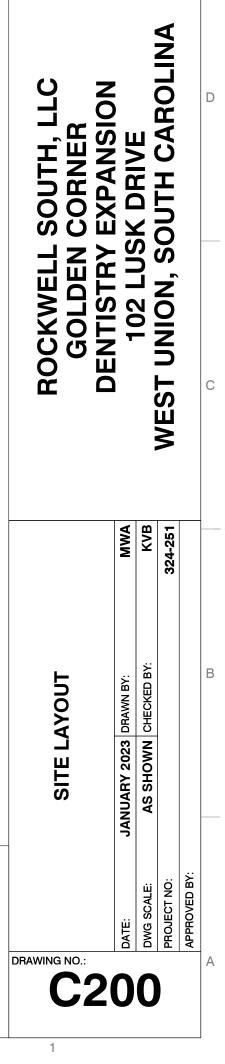
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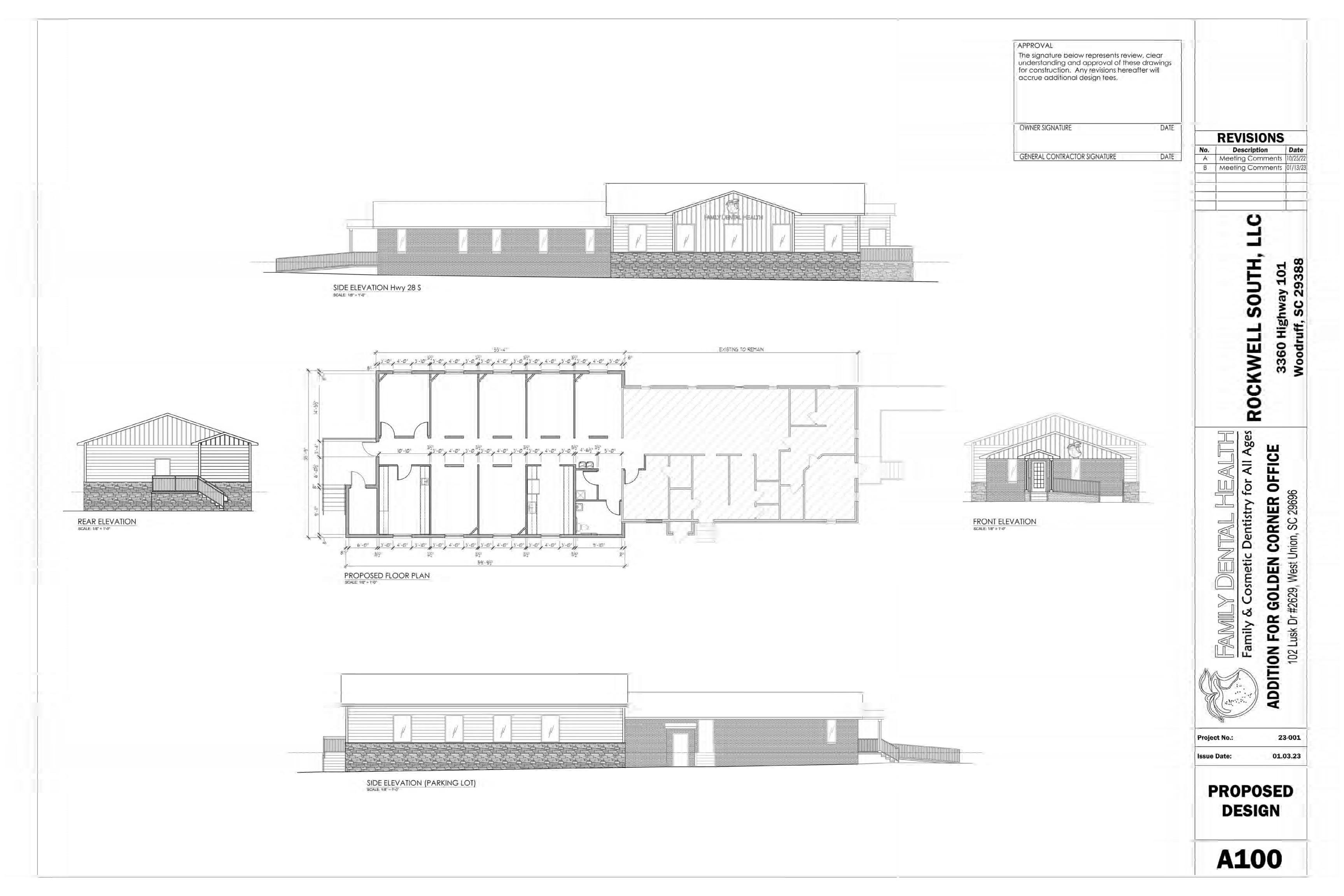
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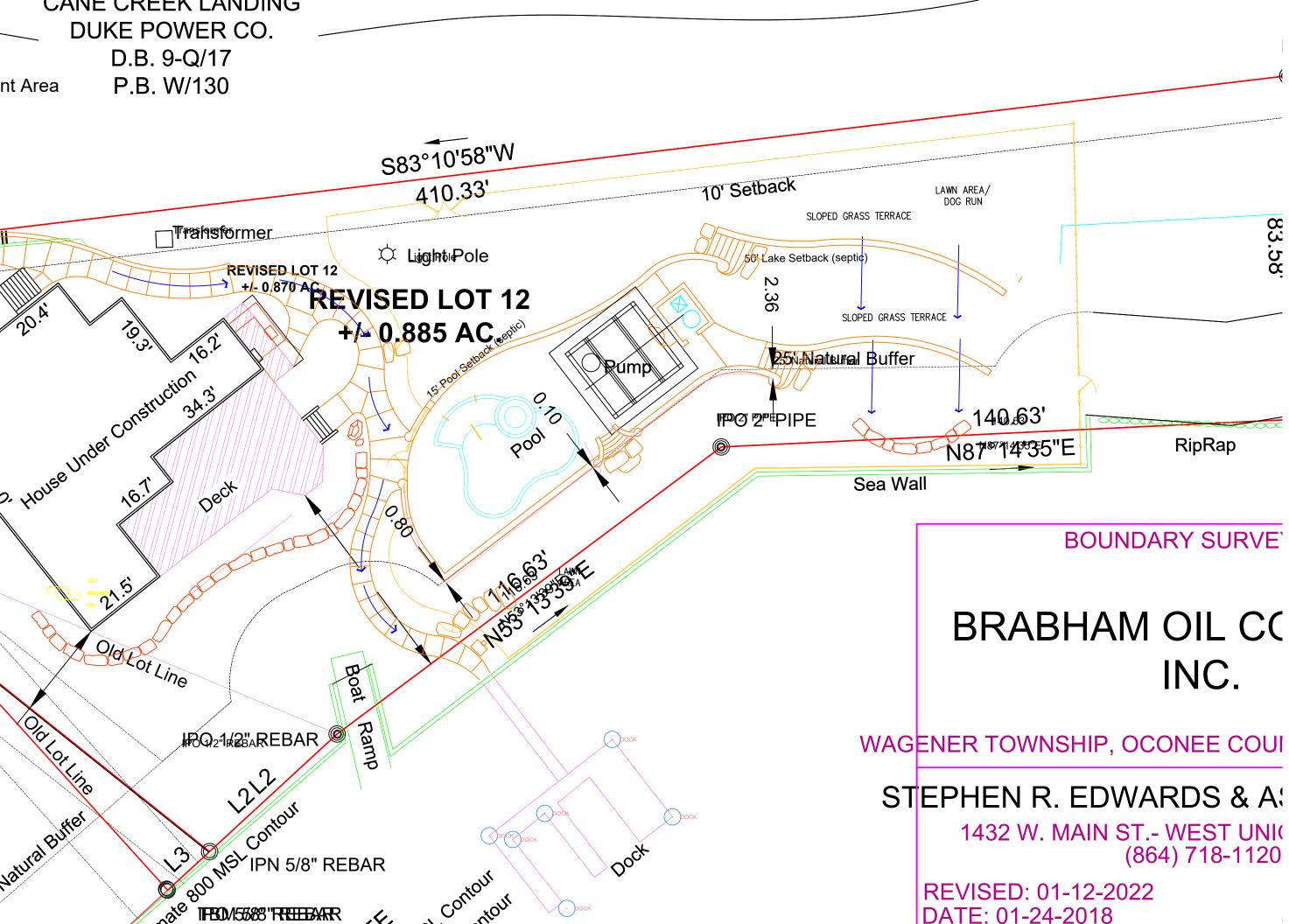
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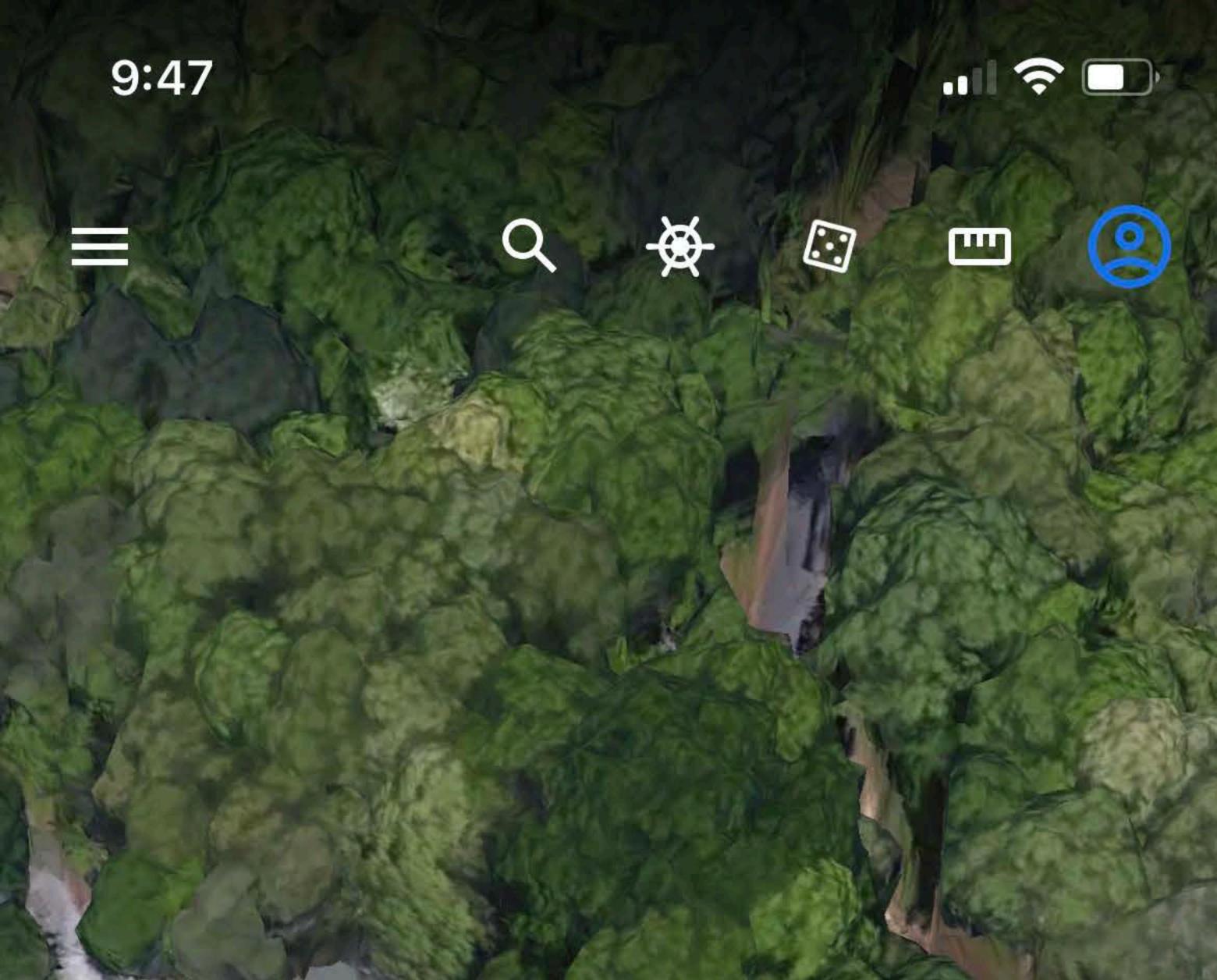
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