#### **City of Franklin**

# Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting Agenda May 7, 2020

Public notice is hereby given that the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) Meeting will be held on May 7, 2020 at 6:00 pm in the City Hall Board Room. The City will restrict physical access in the meeting room to a small number of staff members due to current limitations on public gatherings to prevent further spread of COVID-19 and to protect the health, safety, and welfare of City of Franklin officials, staff, and citizens. Accommodations have been made to ensure that the public is still able to participate in the meeting. The public may participate in the following ways:

• Watch the meeting on FranklinTV or the City of Franklin website. • Watch the live stream through the City of Franklin Facebook and YouTube accounts. • Call 615-550-8420 to listen to the meeting. Callers will be unmuted and given an opportunity to ask questions and provide comments during the meeting at specific times. • Limited viewing will be available in the lobby of City Hall to watch the live video. • The public may email questions to planningintake@franklintn.gov to be read aloud during the meeting. Comments will be accepted up until one hour prior to the meeting. • Share your official comment with the agenda item number specified in the comment section of the Facebook or YouTube live videos.

City YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/user/CityOfFranklin

City Facebook Live: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/CityOfFranklin">https://www.facebook.com/CityOfFranklin</a>

City website: https://www.franklintn.gov/government/departments-a-j/communications/franklin-

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Franklin TV: www.FranklinTN.gov/FranklinTV.

If you have any questions prior to the meeting, please contact the Planning Department at 615-791-3212.

The purpose of the meeting will be to consider matters brought to the attention of the BZA and will include the following:

#### CALL TO ORDER

#### **RESOLUTION 2020-54**

Consideration of Resolution 2020-54, "A Resolution Declaring That The Board of Zoning Appeals Members Shall Meet On May 7, 2020, And Conduct Its Essential Business By Electronic Means Rather Than Being Required To Gather A Quorum Of The Members Physically Present In The Same Location Because It Is Necessary To Protect The Health, Safety, And Welfare of Tennesseans In Light Of The COVID-19 Outbreak"

#### **MINUTES**

Approval of the April 2, 2020 Minutes

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **APPLICATIONS**

- 1. **Variance Request** To Permit 62 Parking Spaces Within The Urban Frontage And Side Yard Of The Building For The Property Located At 1306 Murfreesboro Road (F.Z.O §7.6).
- 2. **Variance Request** To Exceed The 40-Foot Maximum Front Yard Principal Building Setback By 20 Feet For The Property Located At 4419 South Carothers Road (F.Z.O §3.13.5).

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

#### **ADJOURN**

Anyone requesting accommodations due to disabilities should contact the Human Resources Department at (615) 791-3216, at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

#### **RESOLUTION 2020-54**

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THAT THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MEMBERS SHALL MEET ON MAY 7, 2020, AND CONDUCT ITS ESSENTIAL BUSINESS BY ELECTRONIC MEANS RATHER THAN BEING REQUIRED TO GATHER A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS PHYSICALLY PRESENT IN THE SAME LOCATION BECAUSE IT IS NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE OF TENNESSEANS IN LIGHT OF THE COVID-19 OUTBREAK

WHEREAS, Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a severe acute respiratory disease that appears to occur through respiratory transmission, presents with similar symptoms to those of influenza, and can lead to serious illness or death, particularly in the case of older adults and persons with serious chronic medical conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has recommended that all states and territories implement aggressive measures to slow and contain transmission of COVID-19 in the United States; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, pursuant to the authority granted by Tenn. Code Ann. § 58-2-107, the Governor of Tennessee, Bill Lee, issued Executive Order No. 14, declaring a state of emergency to facilitate the response to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS,** on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, declared a national state of emergency with respect to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 20, 2020, Mayor Ken Moore issued Executive Order No. 2020-01 Declaring a State of Emergency and Civil Emergency; and

**WHEREAS,** on March 20, 2020, Governor Lee issued Executive Order No. 16 allowing electronic meetings while continuing to function openly and transparently; and

**WHEREAS,** Mayor Moore issued Executive Orders No. 2020-03, No. 2020-05, No. 2020-07, No. 2020-09, and No. 2020-11 continuing the Declaration of a State of Emergency and Civil Emergency; and

**WHEREAS,** the Board of Zoning Appeals believes it is in the best interest of the City of Franklin to conduct the May 7, 2020, meeting by electronic means.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE, AS FOLLOWS:

The meeting scheduled for May 7, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. shall be conducted by electronic means rather than requiring a quorum of the members of the Board of Zoning Appeals to attend in person to protect the health, safety, and welfare of Tennesseans in light of the COVID-19 Outbreak. Physical access in the meeting room will be limited. The public can view and participate in the meetings by watching the meeting live or later as a recording on FranklinTV, the City of Franklin website, the City of Franklin's Facebook page, and the City of Franklin's YouTube account. Specific dial-in and website links can be found on the City's website at

https://www.franklintn.gov/Home/Components/Calendar/Event/7295/1092

#### IT IS SO RESOLVED AND DONE on this 7th day of May, 2020.

ATTEST:	BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS:
By:	By:
Kelly Dannenfelser	Jonathan Langley
Assistant Director of Planning and Sustainability	Vice-Chair
Approved as to form by:	
William E. Squires, Assistant City Attorney	

#### MEETING MINUTES OF THE FRANKLIN BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS April 2, 2020

The Franklin Board of Zoning Appeals held a regular meeting on Thursday, April 2, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Boardroom.

Members present: Frank Jones

Jeff Fleishour Jonathan Langley Gillian Fischbach

Staff present:

Emily Hunter Wright, Planning & Sustainability Department Kelly Dannenfelser, Planning & Sustainability Department Kelli Gibson, Planning & Sustainability Department

Bill Squires, Assistant City Attorney

Tom Marsh, Building and Neighborhood Services Department

The agenda read as follows:

#### Call to Order:

Vice-Chair Langley called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and noted this meeting is via video and will be taking roll call votes and would be calling on each of your names as we go through items. Vice-Chair Langley stated he would like to entertain a motion to add a non-agenda item to be entitled "Resolution 2020-33", declaring remote BZA meeting due to COVID-19.

Ms. Fischbach moved to add the non-agenda item, Mr. Fleishour seconded the motion and the motion carried 4-0.

Vice-Chair Langley stated he would entertain a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-33.

Ms. Fischbach made the motion to approve. Mr. Fleishour seconded the motion and the motion carried 4-0.

#### **Announcements:**

Vice-Chair Langley read aloud the following for how the public could participate in this meeting: To prevent the spread of COVID-19 and to protect the health, safety, and welfare of City of Franklin officials, staff, and citizens, the Board of Zoning Appeals will restrict physical access in the meeting room to a small number of staff members due to current limitations on public gatherings. Accommodations have been made to ensure that the public is still able to participate in the meeting.

The public may participate by:

• Watching the live stream through the City of Franklin Facebook and YouTube accounts.

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- Watching the meeting on Franklin TV or the City of Franklin website.
- Calling 1-312-626-6799 to listen to the meeting.
- Meeting ID 430 399 1941
- Limited viewing will also be available in the lobby of City Hall to watch the live video. The public may be allowed to enter the Board Room one at a time during the public comment periods of the meeting.
- To provide public comment on an agenda item during the meeting:
- Share comment on an agenda item in the comment section of the Facebook or YouTube live videos.
- If participating via Zoom, those who call in will be unmuted when comment is requested during a public comment portion of the meeting. This will be when you provide public comment for the record.
- Email your comment to <u>planningintake@franklintn.gov</u>.
- For any public comments on agenda items, you must indicate your name and address for the record.
- City YouTube: www.youtube.com/user/CityOfFranklin
- City Facebook Live: www.facebook.com/CityOfFranklin
- City website: On the top of the main page at <u>www.franklintn.gov</u>

#### Review of Minutes from March 5, 2020, BZA Meeting

Vice Chair Langley stated staff had some amendments to add to the minutes

Ms. Gibson stated the first amendment should be under the third item and state: A verbatim transcript was taken by a court reporter and is attached as part of the minutes.

Ms. Gibson stated the second should change "Unidentified Speaker" to Marilyn Lehew on p. 62 of the Item 3 transcript.

Vice Chair Langley stated he would entertain a motion.

Mr. Jones moved to approve the minutes with the staff recommended amendments. Ms. Fischbach seconded the motion and the motion carried 4-0.

Vice Chair Langley stated he would entertain a motion to open public comments.

Mr. Jones moved to open the public portion of the meeting. Ms. Fischbach seconded the motion and the motion carried 4-0.

With no other comments Ms. Fischbach moved to close the public portion of the meeting. Mr. Jones seconded the motion and the motion carried 4-0.

#### **Applications:**

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1. Variance Request To Reduce The Minimum Parking Requirement From 11 Spaces To 9 Spaces, To Permit One Parallel Parking Space Along The Driveway Within The Yard Frontage, And To Waive An Internal Sidewalk Requirement Between The Building And Adjacent Parking Spaces For The Property Located At 1419 West Main Street (F.Z.O §10.1.6, §7.3, and §9.6.2).

Ms. Gibson stated the site is located at the corner of W. Main Street and Hill Street and zoned CC. Ms. Gibson stated the current building was constructed ca. 1955 and has been used as a church. Ms. Gibson stated there is no dedicated parking on the site and users have historically parked on the grass. Ms. Gibson stated the property owner would like to convert the use to quick service restaurant for Halfway Market. Ms. Gibson stated when a new use is proposed for a site, the new use must meet the parking requirements per the Zoning Ordinance. Ms. Gibson stated this includes the number of paved, demarcated spaces, parking location, and site requirements such as sidewalks. Ms. Gibson stated the applicant submitted a conceptual layout that illustrates the challenges of providing parking on the site. Ms. Gibson stated the staff analysis is based on the conceptual layout; however, the conceptual layout is not considered for approval as part of this variance request. Ms. Gibson stated all three components of this variance request are interrelated, so they have been evaluated together. Ms. Gibson stated the Zoning Ordinance requires 11 parking spaces for this use type based on the proposed number of restaurant seats. Ms. Gibson stated the Zoning Ordinance regulates frontages, which describe the area located between the building and the street and regulate parking location on a property. Ms. Gibson stated the Zoning Ordinance requires 7-foot sidewalks abutting parking spaces and 8-foot sidewalks abutting civic buildings. Ms. Gibson stated the applicant requests to reduce the minimum parking requirement from 11 spaces to 9 spaces, to permit one parallel parking space along the driveway within the yard frontage, and to waive an internal sidewalk requirement between the building and adjacent parking spaces for the property located at 1419 West Main Street.

The subject property is lot 1 in the Green Acres Subdivision and is narrow, but not exceptionally so, in terms of shape. The property is typical in size and location compared to other lots in the subdivision. The applicant stated that due to Urban Landscape Frontage Requirements, only a small portion of the lot could be developed for parking. Upon reviewing the case, staff concluded that the Yard Frontage type, not the Urban Landscape Frontage type, was most applicable to this request. Yard Frontage is a typical frontage type for civic buildings, allows for driveways, and is permitted in the CC district. Staff reviewed GIS and aerial data and found that the existing building is long and narrow and does not leave space to accommodate parking as required by the Zoning Ordinance. The placement of one parallel space along the driveway within the yard frontage would allow the applicant to come closer to meeting the parking requirements and the proposed parking reduction is minor in nature. There is not adequate width to be able to provide the sidewalk between the building and internal parallel parking spaces. Any variances approved by the BZA will apply only to the stated requests and will not approve the proposed site layout. The fact that there is no parking on the property combined with the shape of lot and the building footprint and location creates exceptional circumstances that do not permit development under the Zoning Ordinance. Due to these reasons, staff finds that the property does meet the first criterion for a variance.

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Staff finds that due to the constraints of the lot, there is no alternative location to place parking. The proposed plan attempts to meet the parking requirements as much as possible without placing parking directly in front of the building. The appearance of the proposed parking would be more in line with a driveway and not front yard parking, as only one parking space would encroach into the front yard of the building. The applicant stated that due to site restrictions, the existing building would have to be torn down to provide adequate parking per the City's regulations. Staff finds that having to demolish a portion of the building amounts to a hardship or practical difficulty and the property meets the second criterion for a variance.

The proposed use is in line with the goals of Envision Franklin, which encourages an eclectic mix of land uses, such as neighborhood retail and restaurants, that provide important services to surrounding neighborhoods. Additionally, the proposed use is permitted in the zoning district. Permitting the development of the lot would allow the building to be utilized and the preservation of the building helps to maintain the character of the corridor.

The proposed plan achieves as much parking on site as possible while also maintaining the intent of yard frontage. There is not enough space to accommodate the required sidewalk along the internal parallel spaces, but sidewalks would be located along the streets surrounding the perimeter of the lot. The applicant will likely be able to meet most parking needs with this minor reduction in the number of required spaces. Staff finds that granting this variance would not result in detriment to the public good or impair the intent and purpose of the Zoning Ordinance and that the third criterion is satisfied.

Ms. Gibson stated that staff recommends approval of the variance based on the criteria that authorize a variance to be established.

Mr. Gamble stated if you look to the first page provided to you and explained it used to be a church and would require 36 parking spaces today if it was still a church, but we are asking for a change of use for a quick use restaurant that would require 11 parking spaces. Mr. Gamble projected images explaining they would provide a one-way drive aisle that would come off Main Street that would go behind the building and exit off Hill Drive. Mr. Gamble stated their plan would provide a sidewalk along the front of building, along Main Street and Hill Drive. A projected picture was shown.

Mr. Jones moved to open public portion of meeting. Ms. Fischbach seconded the motion and the motion carried 4-0

Public comment consisted of a call-in comment from Alderman Brandy Blanton speaking in favor of the item.

Ms. Fischbach moved to close the public portion of the meeting. Mr. Jones seconded and the motion carried 4-0

Mr. Jones moved to approve the variance request to reduce the minimum parking requirement from 11 spaces to 9 spaces, to permit one parallel parking space along the driveway within the yard frontage, and to waive an internal sidewalk requirement between the building and adjacent

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Other Business.		
No other business.		
Adjourn.		
With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:27.		
Chair		

parking spaces because the criteria for granting a variance have been satisfied as described in the

staff report. Mr. Fleishour seconded the motion and the motion carried 4-0.

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## PLANNING AND SUSTAINABILITY DEPARTMENT

**Emily Hunter, AICP** 

Director



Dr. Ken Moore Mayor

Eric S. Stuckey
City Administrator

# F R A N K L I N TENNESSEE

Item 1

**DATE:** May 7, 2020

**TO:** Board of Zoning Appeals

**FROM:** Kelli Gibson, Planner

Kelly Dannenfelser, Assistant Director

#### **Subject**

**Variance Request** To Permit 62 Parking Spaces Within The Urban Frontage And Side Yard Of The Building For The Property Located At 1306 Murfreesboro Road (F.Z.O §7.6).

#### **Project Information**

COF Project Number: 7232

Applicant: Gamble Design Collaborative

#### **Summary of Action Taken**

The B	oard of Zoning Appeals has reviewed this item, held a public hearing, and voted to:					
	Approve the variance based on the criteria that authorize a variance to be established.					
	_ Disapprove the variance because one or more of the criteria for approving a variance was not established.					
	Defer the variance request for continued review of the application.					
	Approve with conditions the variance based on the criteria that authorize a variance to be established:					
BZA	Chair BZA Recording Secretary					

#### **Exhibits**

Date

- 1. Application Materials and Supporting Documentation
- 2. Location Map

#### **Vicinity Zoning**

#### **Vicinity Land Use**

Site: RC6 – Regional Commerce 6 District Site: Commercial North: RC6 – Regional Commerce 6 District North: Commercial South: RC6 – Regional Commerce 6 District South: Commercial

East: RC6 – Regional Commerce 6 District East: Civic and Institutional

West: RC6 – Regional Commerce 6 District West: Commercial

#### **Applicable Zoning Ordinance Provisions**

#### 20.10 Variance

A. The purpose of a variance is to:

- 1. Provide limited relief from the requirements of this Ordinance in cases where strict application of a particular requirement would create an unnecessary hardship prohibiting the use of land in a manner otherwise allowed under this Ordinance; and
- 2. Address extraordinary, exceptional, or unique situations that were not caused by the applicant's act or omission.
- B. Variances are not intended merely to remove inconveniences or financial burdens that the requirements of this Ordinance may impose on property owners in general.

#### 7.6 Urban Frontage

#### Description

The urban frontage is intended for areas where buildings have a very shallow or no front setback and buildings may abut the sidewalk.

#### Vehicular Access and Parking

Parking Placement: Parking shall be located behind the building, unless it is parallel parking along the street or internal drive.

#### **Background**

The site is located on the south side of Murfreesboro Road and zoned RC6. The current building was constructed in 1992 and houses a Shoney's restaurant. Parking is currently located in front of and on the west side of the building. Parking spaces currently exceed the minimum required for the existing building, and 62 of the 84 existing parking spaces on the property are located within the Urban Frontage and Side Yard of the building. The applicant is not requesting any additional parking spaces within these areas. The property owner would like to build a two-story commercial building within the existing building footprint. In addition to the restaurant space, the bank located on the neighboring property plans to utilize a portion of the new building and add a one-lane drive-through. The final plat shows a 40-foot front yard setback, but the Zoning Ordinance permits a setback of 30 feet.

When development triggers a site plan review, the site plan is reviewed for compliance with the Zoning Ordinance. The Zoning Ordinance regulates Frontage Type requirements by zoning district. Frontage describes the area located between the building and the street and regulates parking location on a property. In the RC6 District, the Ordinance requires that properties develop with an Urban Landscape Frontage or Urban Frontage, which means that parking must be located behind the building unless it is parallel parking along the street or internal drive. The parking location does not conform to the standards of the current Zoning Ordinance.

The applicant requests to permit 62 parking spaces within the Urban Frontage and Side Yard of the building for the property located at 1306 Murfreesboro Road.

#### **Staff Analysis**

The BZA may authorize a variance only when the request has met all three criteria in accordance with F.Z.O §20.10.6 and State law. The staff has completed an analysis of the request in light of these criteria:

1. Where, by reason of exceptional narrowness, shallowness, or shape of a specific piece of property at the time of the enactment of the Zoning Ordinance or by reason of exceptional topographic conditions or other extraordinary and exceptional situation or condition, such a piece of property is not able to accommodate development as required under this Ordinance.

The subject property is typical in terms of size, shape, and location compared to other lots in the subdivision. The applicant stated that existing construction on the subject lot and adjacent properties along with the existing access from State Route 96/Murfreesboro Road create an infill context that should be considered exceptional. Much of the development in this area does not conform to the Urban Frontage requirements, which assume a shallow front setback and a building location in close proximity to the street and sidewalk. According to the applicant, the lot was created prior to 1992 and is not deep enough to suit current development standards and provide adequate parking at the rear of the building. Staff does not have enough information to evaluate that claim. Staff reviewed GIS and aerial data and found that the property has a typical shape and depth and does not have any exceptional topographic conditions. Staff finds that the context created by the existing building on the subject lot and construction on surrounding lots do not amount to an extraordinary or exceptional situation or circumstance that does not permit development under the Zoning Ordinance. Due to these reasons, staff finds that the property does not meet the first criterion for a variance.

2. The strict application of any provision enacted under the Zoning Ordinance would result in peculiar and exceptional practical difficulties to or exceptional or undue hardship upon the owner of the property.

From the perspective of the applicant, the undue hardship or burden is the inability to redevelop the property without adhering to the Frontage Type requirement. Strict application of the Zoning Ordinance would prohibit use of 62 of the existing 84 parking spaces. Staff finds that the inability to utilize a large percentage of the parking spaces does not amount

to a hardship or practical difficulty because the location of the new building could be brought closer to the street to accommodate additional parking at the rear of the building. The BZA must determine whether or not the inability to redevelop the property in the proposed manner amounts to an exceptional practical difficulty to or exceptional or undue hardship upon the owner of the property.

3. Such relief may be granted without substantial detriment to the public good and without substantially impairing the purpose and intent of the Zoning Ordinance.

The plan proposes the construction of a two-story commercial building in the footprint of the current building (see images below). Permitting the proposed development of the lot would not be in line with the intent of Urban Frontage requirements, which are intended to promote pedestrian-friendly areas by locating parking at the rear of buildings. The applicant could modify the site design to accommodate additional parking behind the building while still maintaining the 40-foot building setback or re-plat the property to allow for a 30-foot setback under the Zoning Ordinance. Staff finds that granting the requested variance would not result in detriment to the public good but would impair the intent and purpose of the Zoning Ordinance. As Envision Franklin creates a vision of a more urban character along this corridor, granting this variance could set a precedent for future development to not meet the Zoning Ordinance standards that implement this vision. Due to these reasons, staff finds that the third criterion is not satisfied.



Current Building Located at 1306 Murfreesboro Road



**Proposed Building** 

#### Recommendation

Based on the above reasoning, staff recommends <u>disapproval</u> of the variance based on the criteria that authorize a variance to be established.

#### **Recommended Motion**

Move to <u>disapprove</u> the variance request to permit 62 parking spaces within the Urban Frontage and Side Yard of the building because the criteria for granting a variance have not been satisfied as described in the staff report.



April 6, 2020

Gamble Design Collaborative, on behalf Blueprint Homes LLC and Legacy Contractors LLC, is requesting a variance to the **Frontage Type** requirement for the property at 1306 Murfreesboro Road.

Z.O. 3.18.4 Frontage Types

The following frontage types are permitted:

- A. Urban Landscape Frontage
- B. Urban Frontage

With the adoption of the current zoning ordinance, the new Frontage Type requirement **created a nonconforming site condition** on this property. The current zoning designates that this property develop with an *Urban Landscape Frontage* or an *Urban Frontage* frontage type. Following *Zoning Ordinance 2.3.3 Expansion of a nonconforming structure*, the building shall not be enlarged, expanded, or altered in a way that increases the degree of nonconformity. This essentially prohibits to owner of the property from altering or improving the existing building without adhering to the new frontage requirement. Strict adherence to the Frontage Type requirement for this property creates a hardship for the property owners seeking to improve their property by eliminating the use of the majority of their existing parking lot.

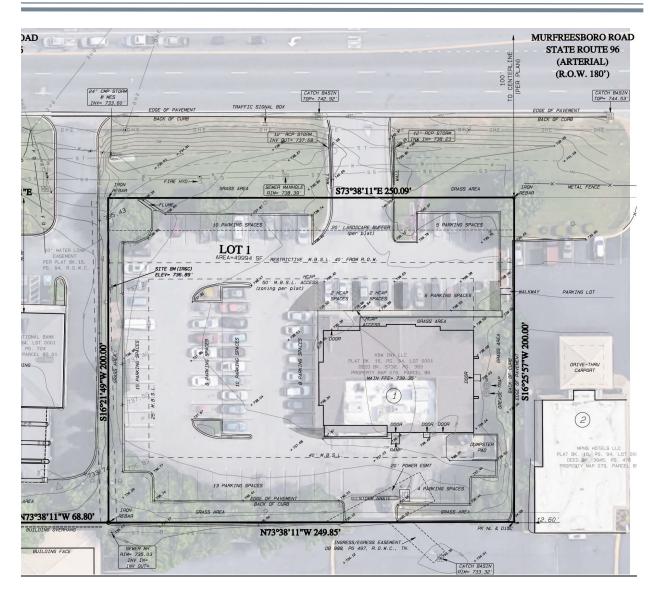
The applicant is seeking relief from this development requirement and requesting that any future building improvements be allowed to occur with the current site arrangement, which requires a variance to permit parking within the front and sideyard of a building in Urban Frontage for this property located at 1306 Murfreesboro Road.



Property frontage area (seen in green) is the area between the face of building and edge of pavement. Urban Landscape Frontage prohibits parking in frontage area and to the side (red area) of the building.

Sixty- two (62) of the eightyfour (84) **existing** parking spaces are in these two areas.





#### **Property Background:**

This property is currently developed and operating as Shoney's Restaurant. The building was constructed in 1992 and a plat for the 1.21 acre parcel can be referenced as Shoney's & Maxwell, Lot 0001, PB 16/94.

#### **Existing Conditions:**

The existing site consists of one building with parking to the front and west side of the building. The property has frontage and its only ingress/egress on State Route 96/ Murfreesboro Road (an emergency access occurs at the south property line). The building is set back +/- 70' from State Route 96/ Murfreesboro Road, and is in-line with the existing buildings on adjacent properties. A 40' Restrictive Building Setback as well as the previously required 50' building setback zoning requirement are shown



on the plat. This property is zoned Regional Commerce 6 (RC6). The current restaurant is +/-6,000 sf with 84 existing parking spaces.

#### **The Proposal:**

The existing parking lot is oversized for the current Shoney's restaurant. The owner would like to add a second story to the restaurant footprint and create a two-story, mixed-use building in the same footprint as the existing structure. In addition to the restaurant space, the Bank on the neighboring property would like to utilize a portion of the new building, adding a one-lane drive-through. The existing parking quantity and site configuration would allow this with minimal adjustment; however, the Urban Landscape Frontage requirement prohibits parking between the face of the building and the road (unless it is parallel parking along the road) and to the side of the building. Strict application of the Urban Landscape Frontage would prohibit 74% of the existing parking spaces from use.

SCHEMATIC DESIGN OPTIONS SHONEY'S MIXED USE 1306 HWY 96 EAST FRANKLIN, TN 37064



FEBRUARY 25, 2020









#### **Variance Criteria**

According to 20.10.6 of the Zoning Ordinance, the BZA may authorize a variance for the following criteria:

#1. By reason of exceptional narrowness, shallowness, or shape of a specific piece of property... or by reason of exceptional topographic conditions or other extraordinary and exceptional situation or condition, such piece of property is not able to accommodate development as required by the Ordinance.

The subject property is of a typical size and shape. However, what does create the exceptional situation for this property is the infill situation created by the existing construction on this property, existing access from State Route 96/ Murfreesboro Road, and the existing construction on adjacent properties. Strict application of the Urban Landscape Frontage requirement significantly reduces the ability to use 74% of the existing parking area. In order to create the architectural character and quality envisioned for this corridor, some flexibility is needed to accommodate the older lots whose size and arrangement are often tied to existing conditions, both on and off-site.





#### Variance Criteria

#2. The strict application of any provision enacted by the Ordinance would result in exceptional or undue hardship upon the owner of such property.

The current site arrangement is appropriate for this site and is in keeping with the current streetscape along this corridor. Strict application of the Urban Landscape Frontage or Urban Frontage prohibit use of much of the existing parking lot. Both scenarios assume a shallow front setback and the building in close proximity to the street/sidewalk. In the case of the subject property, the edge of pavement is over 50' from the property line. Parallel parking is not allowed in or appropriate for this section of State Route 96/ Murfreesboro Road.

#### **Urban Landscape Frontage**



#### Description

The urban landscape frontage is intended for areas with a shallow front setback to provide a landscaped area between the sidewalk and the front facade

#### **Permitted Districts**

MR PD CI NC CC DD 1ST 5TH RC6 RC12 GO

#### **Building Types**

Typical Buildings House, duplex, multiplex, townhouse, multifamily, commercial/mixed-use, and large-scale retail buildings

#### Vehicular Access and Parking

Parking shall be located behind the building, unless it is parallel parking along the street or internal drive

Parking

On corner lots, surface parking Placement areas may occupy up to 30 percent of the lot frontage on the secondary street and shall be no closer to the street than the building

#### **Urban Frontage**



#### Description

The urban frontage is intended for areas where buildings have a very shallow or no front setback and buildings may abut the sidewalk

#### **Permitted Districts**

PD NC CC DD 1ST 5TH RC6 RC12 MR

#### **Building Types**

Typical Buildings Multifamily, commercial/ mixed-use, and large-scale retail buildings

#### Vehicular Access and Parking

Parking shall be located behind the building, unless it is parallel parking along the street or internal drive

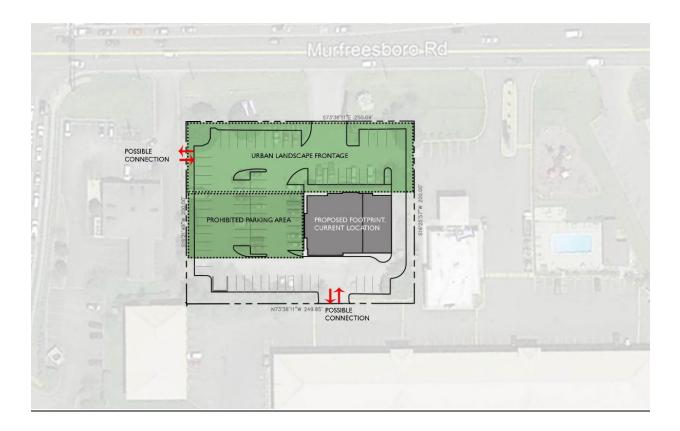
Parking

On corner lots, surface parking Placement areas may occupy up to 30 percent of the lot frontage on the secondary street and shall be no closer to the street than the building



These lots were created prior to 1992, when the development standards were very different. All site elements could be accomplished on the lot. However, given today's standards, in order to accommodate a two-story or mixed-use building, the lot would need to be deeper in order to provide adequate parking to the rear of the building. Redevelopment of this site with the current drive-aisle configuration could allow for future, potential drive aisle connections to the west, similar to the connectivity recently constructed on the north side of State Route 96/ Murfreesboro Road. The current configuration provides adequate room for new, code minimum landscape along the frontage, and all other development criteria could be met on site.

Granting the variance request to allow parking in the Urban Landscape Frontage for this property takes into account the site-specific existing conditions unique to this infill lot (existing park lot). The proposed changes to the building would not require any additional parking spaces.





#### **Variance Criteria**

#3. Such relief may be granted without substantial detriment to the public good and without substantially impairing the purpose and intent of the zoning map and the Ordinance.

Redevelopment of infill lots often require examination of the specific lot in context to a transition. In order to achieve certain goals, existing infrastructure and economic viability are factors than must be considered. Context-Responsive Infill, as stated in *Envision Franklin*, should look to "the rhythm of development along the street, front setbacks, and backyard patterns." Granting of this variance does not negatively impact the life/safety function of this site. Granting this variance leaves the site configuration in place as it exists today. Granting this variance acknowledges that infill sites are unique and can be evaluated individually. The parking lot is constructed and the applicant would not be proposing a use that would require additional parking.

The applicant is seeking to enhance the architectural and economic presence along this corridor and respectfully requests flexibility in the new frontage requirement in order to retain a functional existing site arrangement for a more appropriate mixed-use building. All other site criteria will be met, including landscape and architectural requirements.

Gamble Design Collaborative, Blueprint Homes LLC and Legacy Contractors LLC appreciate your consideration of this variance request. Please contact me for further questions.

Sincerely,

**Greg Gamble** 

Landscape Architect

#### **Public Notification Letter – 1306 Murfreesboro Road (Shoneys)**

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

This letter is written to provide public notice that the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) will be considering a variance request for the property located at 1306 Murfreesboro Road in Franklin, TN. The request will be heard by the BZA on Thursday, May 7, 2020 at 6:00 pm in the City Hall Board Room. Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the City will restrict physical access in the meeting room to a small number of staff members due to current limitations on public gatherings. Please see the information below for more ways to access this meeting.

#### APPLICANT

Gamble Design Collaborative, Greg Gamble on behalf of Blueprint Homes, LLC

#### APPLICANT'S REPRESENTATIVE

Gamble Design Collaborative 324 Liberty Pike, Suite 145, Franklin, TN 37064

Greg Gamble 615-975-5765 greg.gamble@gdc-tn.com

#### **APPLICATION TYPE**

Variance Request

#### DATE, TIME, AND PLACE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Thursday, May 7, 2020 at 6:00 in the City Hall Board Room, 109 3rd Avenue South, Franklin, Tennessee, 37064.

#### SUBJECT PROPERTY

Map 079, Parcel 08600 located at 1306 Murfreesboro Road in Franklin, TN

#### NATURE AND SCOPE OF THE APPLICANT REQUEST

GDC is requesting to the BZA a variance for the Frontage Type requirements. The variance request is to permit 62 parking spaces within the Urban Frontage and side yard of the building for the property located at 1306 Murfreesboro Road.

#### WHERE TO VIEW THE APPLICATION

The application may be viewed online by following this link and creating or logging in to an existing IDT account:

https://franklin.idtplans.com/secure/project/?step=results&searchtype=review

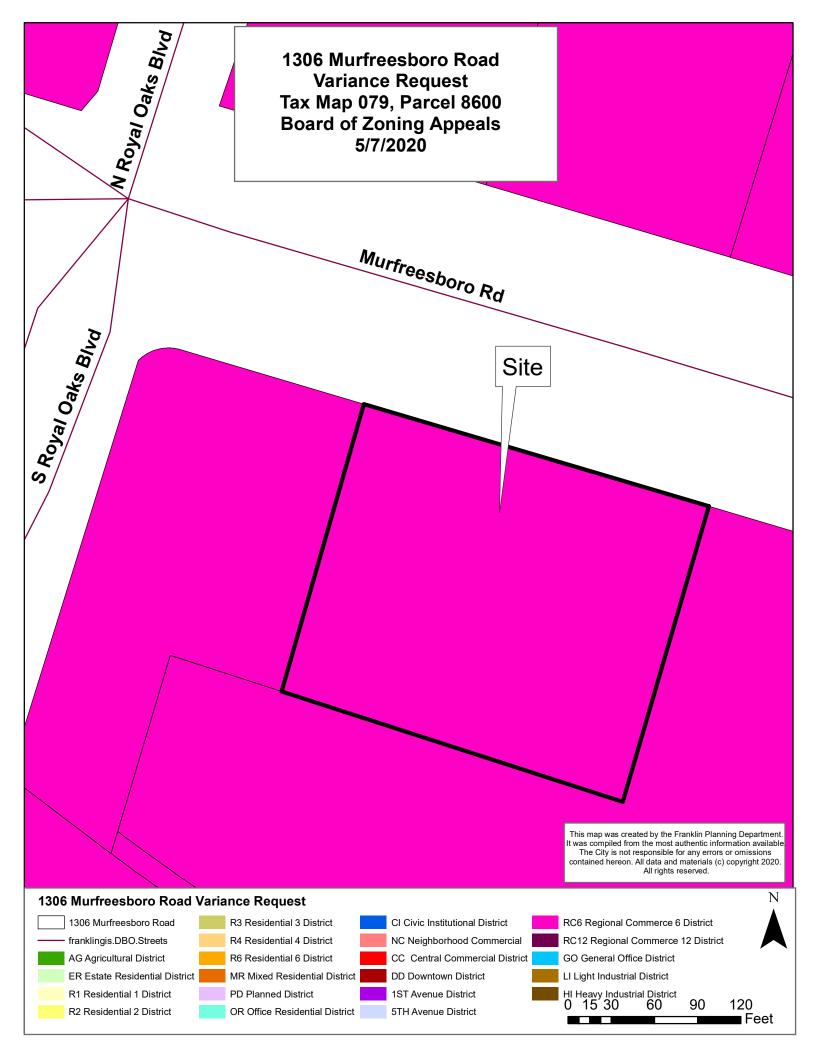
Application materials are accessible by entering "381997" under "Project Search."

#### WHERE THE PUBLIC CAN BE HEARD

The City will restrict physical access in the meeting room to a small number of staff members due to current limitations on public gatherings. Accommodations have been made to ensure that the public is still able to participate in the meeting. The public may participate in the following ways:

• Watch the meeting on FranklinTV or at www.franklintn.gov/FranklinTV. • Watch the live stream through the City of Franklin Facebook and YouTube accounts. • Call 615-550-8420 to listen to the meeting. Callers will be given an opportunity to ask questions and provide comments during the meeting at specific times. •

Limited viewing will be available in the lobby of City Hall to watch the live video. • The public may email questions to <a href="mailto:planningintake@franklintn.gov">planningintake@franklintn.gov</a> to be read aloud during the meeting. Comments will be accepted up until one hour prior to the meeting.



# PLANNING AND SUSTAINABILITY DEPARTMENT

**Emily Hunter, AICP** 

Director



Dr. Ken Moore Mayor

Eric S. Stuckey
City Administrator

# HISTORIC FRANKLIN TENNESSEE

#### Item 2

**DATE:** May 7, 2020

**TO:** Board of Zoning Appeals

**FROM:** Kelli Gibson, Planner

Kelly Dannenfelser, Assistant Director

#### **Subject**

Variance Request To Exceed The 40-Foot Maximum Front Yard Principal Building Setback By 20 Feet For The Property Located At 4419 South Carothers Road (F.Z.O §3.13.5).

#### **Project Information**

COF Project Number: 7231

Applicant: Morelock Engineering, LLC

#### **Summary of Action Taken**

The B	oard of Zoning Appeals has reviewed this item, held a public hearing, and voted to:					
	Approve the variance based on the criteria that authorize a variance to be established.					
	_ Disapprove the variance because one or more of the criteria for approving a variance was not established.					
	Defer the variance request for continued review of the application.					
	Approve with conditions the variance based on the criteria that authorize a variance to be established:					
BZA (	Chair BZA Recording Secretary					
Date						

#### **Exhibits**

1. Application Materials and Supporting Documentation

2. Location Map

Vicinity Zoning Vicinity Land Use

Site: NC – Neighborhood Commercial Site: Single Family Residential

North: PD – Planned District North: Vacant

South: PD – Planned District South: Single Family Residential

East: NC – Neighborhood Commercial East: Vacant West: NC – Neighborhood Commercial West: Vacant

#### **Applicable Zoning Ordinance Provisions**

#### 20.10 Variance

A. The purpose of a variance is to:

- 1. Provide limited relief from the requirements of this Ordinance in cases where strict application of a particular requirement would create an unnecessary hardship prohibiting the use of land in a manner otherwise allowed under this Ordinance; and
- 2. Address extraordinary, exceptional, or unique situations that were not caused by the applicant's act or omission.
- B. Variances are not intended merely to remove inconveniences or financial burdens that the requirements of this Ordinance may impose on property owners in general.

#### 3.13.5 Dimensional Standards

The following dimensional standards are required:

Principal Building Setbacks	Minimum
Front Yard	10 feet to 40 feet

#### **Background**

The 3.6-acre site consists of two adjoining parcels located on the south side of South Carothers Road and zoned NC. A single-family home built in 1967 is currently located on the property. The applicant plans to construct a 10,250-square-foot pre-school building and a 9,000-square-foot mixed-use commercial building on the site. A 40-foot MTEMC easement is located along the South Carothers Road property frontage. Buildings cannot be located within this easement, and any building on the property would have to be located behind the 40' setback line. This restriction does not require a setback increase of 20 feet. Drainage from the Echelon Subdivision and the project site drains through the MTEMC easement.

When new development is proposed for a site, the new buildings must meet the setback requirements per the Zoning Ordinance. In this case, the Zoning Ordinance requires a front yard principal building setback between 10 and 40 feet. The applicant requests to exceed the 40-foot maximum front yard setback by 20 feet for the property located at 4419 South Carothers Road.

#### **Staff Analysis**

The BZA may authorize a variance only when the request has met all three criteria in accordance with F.Z.O §20.10.6 and State law. The staff has completed an analysis of the request in light of these criteria:

1. Where, by reason of exceptional narrowness, shallowness, or shape of a specific piece of property at the time of the enactment of the Zoning Ordinance or by reason of exceptional topographic conditions or other extraordinary and exceptional situation or condition, such a piece of property is not able to accommodate development as required under this Ordinance.

The subject property is typical in terms of shape, size, and location compared to surrounding lots. A 40-foot MTEMC easement, which prohibits placement of any buildings within that area, is located along the South Carothers Road property frontage. The applicant stated that drainage from the Echelon Subdivision and the subject lot drains through the easement and that the variance is required in order to utilize the easement and adjacent upstream areas for management of stormwater per the City's standards. Upon reviewing the case, staff concluded that the location of the 40-foot MTEMC easement does create an extraordinary and exceptional condition on the property that does not permit development under the Zoning Ordinance. Though the site cannot accommodate the 40-foot-maximum setback requirement, a shallower setback than the one proposed would better meet the intent of the Zoning Ordinance. Due to these reasons, staff finds that the property does meet the first criterion for a variance.

2. The strict application of any provision enacted under the Zoning Ordinance would result in peculiar and exceptional practical difficulties to or exceptional or undue hardship upon the owner of the property.

Staff finds that despite the location of the easement, the applicant could modify the site design to locate the buildings closer to the 40' setback line. The proposed plan includes a drive lane located in front of the commercial building that permits circulation around the building for the desired traffic pattern for the pre-school. The location of the drive aisle along the front of the building reflects the desire of the applicant. There is no requirement in the Zoning Ordinance for the location of this drive along the front of the building and the drive aisle could be placed at the rear of the building. While the site cannot accommodate the 40' maximum setback permitted under the Zoning Ordinance, an increase of 20 feet is more than what is necessary to accommodate development. Staff finds that altering the site design to accommodate a setback closer to 40 feet does not amount to a hardship or practical difficulty and the property does not meet the second criterion for a variance.

3. Such relief may be granted without substantial detriment to the public good and without substantially impairing the purpose and intent of the Zoning Ordinance.

The proposed plan is not in line with the goals of Envision Franklin, which encourages minimal setbacks for buildings and internal drives wherever possible in order to create an

active street environment that encourages pedestrian activity. The Zoning Ordinance implements this vision with the standards identified for this zoning district.

While the applicant stated that granting the proposed variance will allow for proper management of stormwater on the project site, this outcome can be achieved through a minor increase in the maximum building setback. Staff finds that granting this variance would not result in detriment to the public good but would impair the intent and purpose of the Zoning Ordinance. Due to these reasons, the third criterion is not satisfied.

#### Recommendation

Based on the above reasoning, staff recommends <u>disapproval</u> of the variance based on the criteria that authorize a variance to be established.

#### **Recommended Motion**

Move to <u>disapprove</u> the variance request to exceed the 40-foot maximum front yard principal building setback by 20 feet for the property located at 4419 South Carothers Road because the criteria for granting a variance have not been satisfied as described in the staff report.



April 6, 2020

(VIA IDT PORTAL)

Kelli Gibson, Planner Franklin Planning and Sustainability Department 109 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue South Franklin, TN 37064

Re: TOBschool

4419 South Carothers Road

Franklin, Tennessee

Dear Kelli,

Morelock Engineering, LLC, on behalf of VSR Partners, LLC, respectfully submits for your consideration, a requested front yard principal building setback variance to the Franklin Zoning Ordinance, for **Board of Zoning Appeals approval**.

In addition to this letter, this submittal includes the following:

- Signed and Notarized Owner Affidavit
- Civil Plans (General Property Survey, Site Layout Plan and Grading & Drainage Plan)
- Justification Letter
- Draft Copy of Notification Letter

Please place this item on the agenda for the May 7, 2020 Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please advise.

Sincerely,

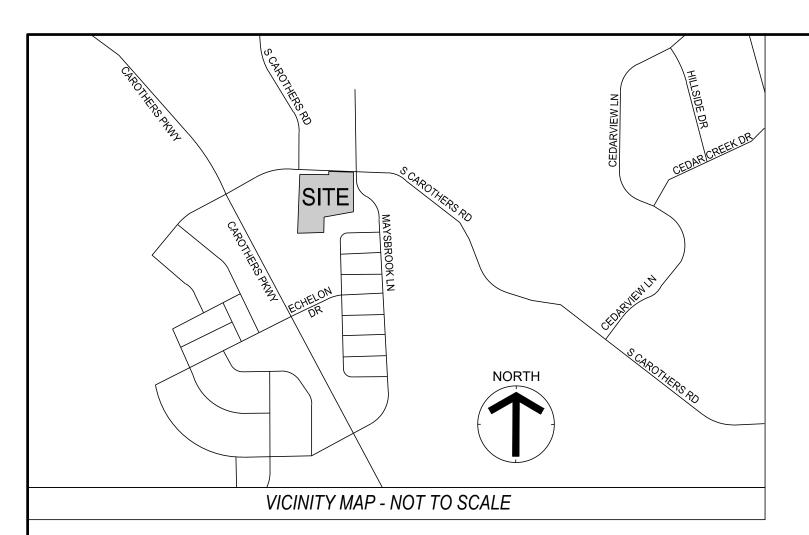
MORELOCK ENGINEERING, LLC

Jason Morelock, P.E.

# OWNER AFFIDAVIT City of Franklin, Tennessee

We/I	VSR Partners	, LLC		
(Please print Name/Names in Full) being duly sworn, depose and say(s) that (I am)/(we are) the owner(s) of the property described as:				
Ta	x Map 89 / Parcels	50.00 & 50.02		
(Property Parcel/Tax ID Number)				
and located at:	4419 South Carot	hers Road		
Tennessee. Furth	(Street Address the request for development a permore, (I)/ (we) hereby appoi Morelock (Morelock	pproval in the City of Franklin, int		
the processing		nes in Full)  pehalf on all matters pertaining to  pen with the exception of legal		
Signaturé				
	Verde Drive	_		
Property Owner N				
Brentwood	, TN 37027	_		
City, State & Zip				
Subscribed and s	worn to before me this			
	atherine Melendrez	KATHERINE MELENDREZ Notary Public, State of Texa Comm. Expires 02-20-2022 Notary ID 129719731		
My Commission I	expires: OZIZOIZOZZ			

Contact the Department of Planning and Sustainability to ensure you obtain the latest version of the Ownership Affidavit prior to submittal.



#### SURVEYOR NOTES

- 1. The location of the property boundaries depicted heron, based on the appropriate boundary law principles governed by the facts and evidence gathered during the course of this survey. Per accuracy and precision required by the State of Tennessee, in the opinion of this surveyor the monuments shown represents corners of the property. Corners have been found or set as indicated hereon. This survey represents a professional opinion, and carries no guarantees or warranties, expressed or implied.
- 2. Any improvements depicted may be demolished. The depiction of any improvements on this plat does not create any easement, setback, building pad, or other matter and is for informational purposes only as of the date and time of the recording of this plat.
- 3. Survey not final without Seal and Signature of Surveyor.
- 4. All set property corners are marked with 5/8" diameter rebar with a CESO cap.
- 5. This survey may not be reproduced, altered, or copied without written permission of CESO, Inc.
- 6. This property has direct access to S. Carothers Road, a dedicated public right-of-way.
- 7. Tennessee Department of Transportation, Williamson County Highway Department, and the City of Franklin maintains all public right-of-ways.
- 8. As shown on survey, there are no gaps or gores between tracts.

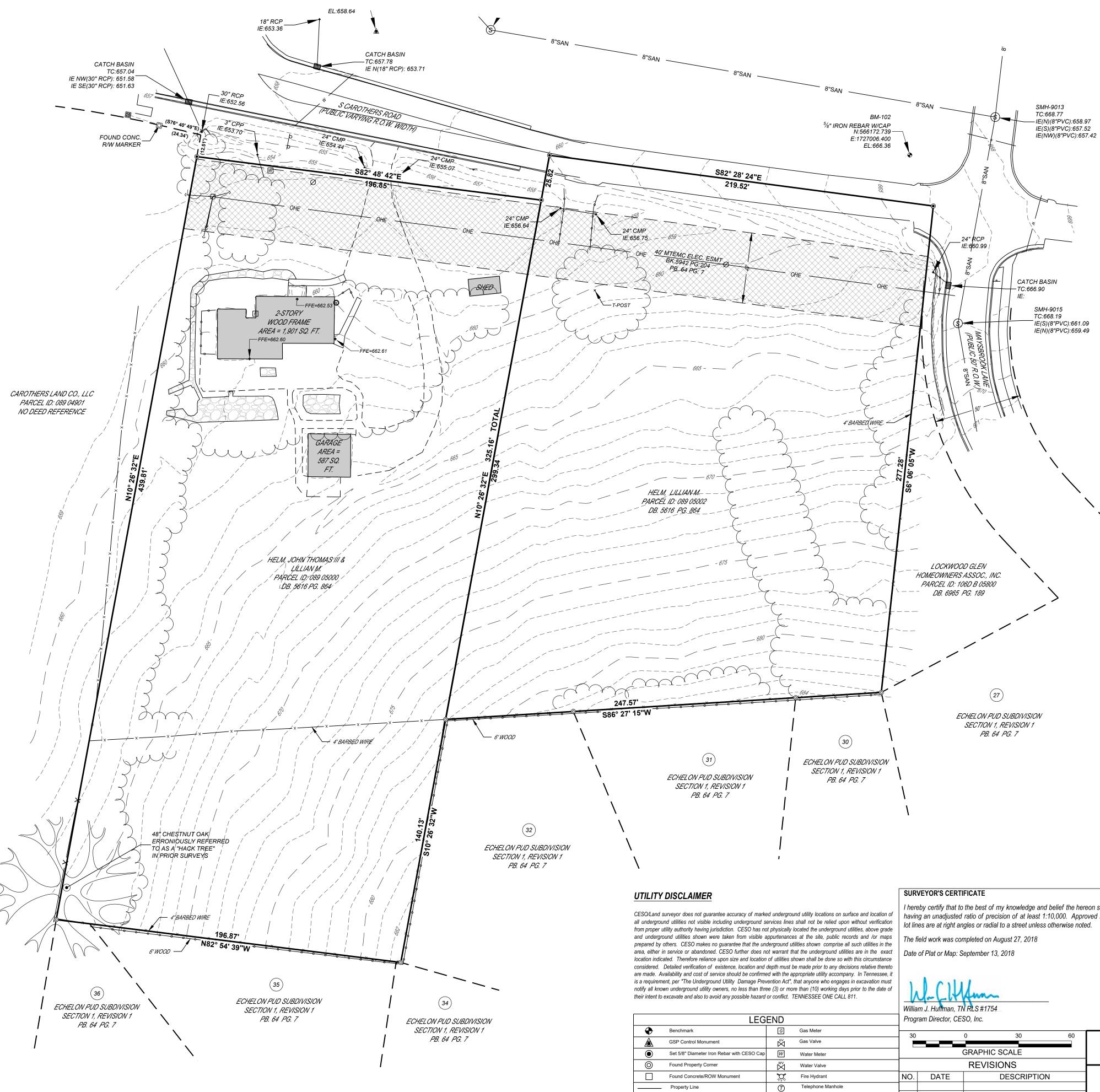
#### PARCEL 50.00

Tax Map 89 Parcel 50.00 Address: 4419 S. Carothers Road Owner: John Thomas Helm III Lillian M. Helm P.O. Box 682605 Franklin, TN 37068 Recorded Documents: Book: 5616 Page: 864 Area: 86,355 SqFt (+/-)

1.982 Acres (+/-)

# PARCEL 50.02

Tax Map 89 Parcel 50.02 Address: S. Carothers Road Owner: Lillian M. Helm P.O. Box 682605 Franklin, TN 37068 Recorded Documents: Area: 69,452 SqFt (+/-) 1.594 Acres (+/-)



Property Line

**—***W***—** Water Line

—STS — Storm Line

— SAN— Sewer Line — G — Gas Line

— — Adjacent Property Line

— OH-E — Overhead Electric Line

— OH-T — Overhead Telephone Line

---- Easement Line

Sewer Manhole

Catch Basin

Ø Power Pole

Guy Wire

Sewer Clean-Out

Utility Pull Box (Electric/Traffic/Comm.)

P.U.D.E. Public Utility & Drainage Easement

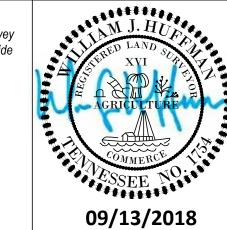
M.B.S.L. Minimum Building Setback Line

Storm Drain Manhole

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief the hereon shown subdivision plat represents a Class "1" survey having an unadjusted ratio of precision of at least 1:10,000. Approved monuments have been place as indicated. All side lot lines are at right angles or radial to a street unless otherwise noted.

Surveyor of Record William J. Huffman, TN RLS 1754 Program Director, CESO, INC 750 Old Hickory Boulevard, Suite 1-254 Brentwood, Tennessee, 37027 Office: 615-238-0690 Mobile: 423-676-3977

Email: huffman@cesoinc.com



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NORTH

Source of North

Tennessee Grid North

GPS - GEOID 12B (NAVD 88) (NAD 83)

GENERAL PROPERTY SURVEY

**HELM PROPERTY** TAX MAP 89 PARCELS 50.00 & 50.02 WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TENNESSEE 4419 S. CAROTHERS ROAD FRANKLIN SCALE: 1' = 30' DATE: SEPTEMBER 13, 2018 DESIGN: DRAWN: SHEET NO.:

GSO/PMK

CHECKED:

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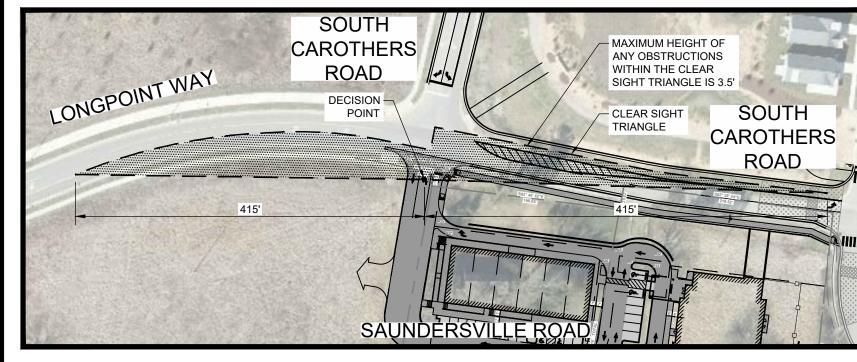
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### INTERSECTION SIGHT DISTANCE EXHIBIT SCALE: 1"=100'

# **SITE LAYOUT KEYNOTES:**

- HEAVY DUTY ASPHALT PAVEMENT (SEE SHEET C5.1 FOR DETAIL)
- LIGHT DUTY ASPHALT PAVEMENT (SEE SHEET C5.1 FOR DETAIL)
- CONCRETE PAVEMENT (SEE SHEET C5.1 FOR DETAIL)
- CONCRETE SIDEWALK (SEE SHEET C5.1 FOR DETAIL)
- INTEGRAL CONCRETE CURB AND SIDEWALK (SEE SHEET C5.1 FOR DETAIL)
- CONCRETE MOUNTABLE CURB (SEE SHEET C5.1 FOR DETAIL)
- FLARED ACCESSIBLE RAMP (SEE SHEET C5.2 FOR DETAIL)
- PARALLEL ACCESSIBLE RAMP (SEE SHEET C5.2 FOR DETAIL)
- FLUSH CONCRETE SIDEWALK AT PAVEMENT FOR ACCESSIBILITY
- DETECTABLE WARNING SURFACE (SEE SHEET C5.1 FOR DETAIL)
- VAN ACCESSIBLE PARKING SIGN & SYMBOL (SEE SHEET C5.1 FOR DETAIL)
- PARKING WHEELSTOP (COORDINATE TYPE WITH OWNER)
- STOP SIGN (SEE SHEET C5.2 FOR DETAIL)
- 4" WIDE PAINTED WHITE LINE
- 4" WIDE PAINTED WHITE STRIPES, 3' O.C. @ 45°
- WHITE PAINTED DIRECTIONAL ARROW
- 24" WIDE WHITE THERMOPLASTIC STOP BAR
- 4" WIDE THERMOPLASTIC WHITE LINE
- THERMOPLASTIC WHITE DIRECTIONAL ARROW
- CITY OF FRANKLIN STANDARD CONCRETE DRIVEWAY (SEE SHEET C5.2 FOR DETAIL)
- TWO (2) BIKE RACKS (SEE LANDSCAPE PLANS FOR MORE INFORMATION)
- INDICATES NUMBER OF PARKING SPACES PER BAY
- 23 EXTERIOR STAIRS (SEE ARCHITECTURAL PLANS)
- CONCRETE LANDING WITH GALVANIZED PIPE HANDRAIL (SEE ARCHITECTURAL PLANS)
- TIE PROPOSED CONCRETE CURB AND GUTTER TO EXISTING
- DUMPSTER ENCLOSURE (SEE ARCHITECTURAL PLANS)
- 4'-2" TALL BLACK ALUMINUM FENCE (SEE ARCHITECTURAL PLANS)
- RETAINING WALL WITH RAILING. RAILING SHALL BE PROVIDED FOR RETAINING WALL HEIGHTS THAT ARE GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 30 INCHES. (DESIGN BY OTHERS). SEE RETAINING WALL NOTES ON THIS SHEET.
- PROPOSED ACCESS EASEMENT & PUBLIC UTILITY AND DRAINAGE EASEMENT
- PROPOSED UTILITY AND DRAINAGE EASEMENT
- 8% MAX. ACCESSIBLE RAMP WITH HANDRAILS
- CITY OF FRANKLIN CONCRETE SIDEWALK (SEE SHEET C5.2 FOR DETAIL)
- CITY OF FRANKLIN FLARED ACCESSIBLE RAMP (SEE SHEET C5.2 FOR DETAIL)

PROPOSED CONCRETE

- UTILITY TRENCH REPAIR AREA (SEE SHEET C5.2 FOR DETAIL) REMOVE AND REPLACE CITY OF FRANKLIN CURB AND GUTTER AS NEEDED FOR UTILITY PLACEMENT
- MILL AND OVERLAY ASPHALT SURFACE COURSE PAST THE TRENCH EDGE IN EACH DIRECTION AS SHOWN

# **LEGEND**

PROPOSED HEAVY DUTY ASPHALT PAVEMENT PROPOSED LIGHT DUTY ASPHALT PAVEMENT

PAVEMENT

SIDEWALK PROPOSED UTILITY TRENCH REPAIR PROPOSED ASPHALT

**REFERENCE:** 

- 1. SEE SHEET C0.1 FOR GENERAL NOTES AND LAYOUT NOTES.
- 2. BOUNDARY AND TOPOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SHOWN IS BASED ON A GENERAL PROPERTY SURVEY CONDUCTED BY CESO, INC., DATED AUGUST 2018.
- 3. THE PROPERTY SHOWN HEREON IS LOCATED IN ZONE "X" (AREAS DETERMINED TO BE OUTSIDE OF 500 YEAR FLOOD) ACCORDING TO F.I.R.M. "WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TENNESSÈE AND INCORPORATED AREAS" PANEL 214 OF 485, MAP NUMBER 47187C0214G. MAP REVISED ON DECEMBER 22, 2016.

# NOTE:

MEDIA FOR STABILITY OR LATERAL RESISTANCE. BOTTOM OF WALL (OR BLOCK) / TOP OF FOOTING ELEVATION

SHALL BE LOCATED AT OR BELOW OF LOWERMOST STONE DRAINAGE MEDIA.

1. SEE SHEET C0.0 FOR SITE DATA TABLE.



PROPOSED CONCRETE

MILL AND OVERLAY

2097 BELSFORD DRIVE NOLENSVILLE, TN 37135 JASON@MORELOCKENG.COM - (615) 300-6486

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# **LEGEND**

PROPOSED AREA DRAIN PROPOSED HEADWALL

PROPOSED CONTOURS

PROPOSED STORM PIPE 65.50(T) TOP OF CURB
PROPOSED SPOT ELEVATION

+ 65.00(B) BOTTOM OF CURB 78.00(TW) TOP OF RETAINING WALL

CITY OF FRANKLIN STANDARD

**GRADING & DRAINAGE NOTES** 

1. GRADING PERMIT IS REQUIRED FOR ANY PROJECT DISTURBING MORE

THE DEVELOPER SHALL PROVIDE THE NECESSARY LABOR AND SUPERVISION REQUIRED TO SUPPORT FIELD TESTING BY THE

DISCLOSED BY TESTS SHALL BE RECTIFIED.

THAN 10,000 SF, ADDING MORE THAN 5,000 SF OF IMPERVIOUS SURFACE

INDEPENDENT TESTING FIRM AND INSPECTIONS BY CITY OFFICIALS AT NO

SHALL BE SUBMITTED DIRECTLY TO THE STREET DEPARTMENT. DEFECTS

COST TO THE CITY. TEST REPORTS OF FIELD TESTING IF APPLICABLE

AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CITY SHALL MAKE A FINAL

INSPECTION OF THE PROJECT AFTER COMPLETION TO DETERMINE

ACCEPTABILITY OF THE WORK AND FOR RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE

TO THE CITY ENGINEER THAT THE WORK HAS BEEN COMPLETED IN

DRAINAGE FACILITIES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, CULVERTS,

TO PROCEEDING TO THE NEXT STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION. FINAL

5. LOCATING AND COORDINATION FOR THE RELOCATION OF EXISTING

CAUSED TO ANY UTILITY LINES.

BOUNDARY AND TOPOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SHOWN IS BASED ON A GENERAL PROPERTY SURVEY

THE PROPERTY SHOWN HEREON IS LOCATED IN ZONE "X" (AREAS DETERMINED TO BE OUTSIDE OF 500 YEAR

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CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION FOR APPROVAL AND ACCEPTANCE OF STREETS AND DRAINAGE SYSTEMS WILL NOT BE GRANTED UNTIL ALL WORK HAS BEEN COMPLETED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPROVED

UTILITIES IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR. TENNESSEE'S

OWNERS. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL AT ALL TIMES PROTECT EXISTING

BE UTILIZED IN ADDITION TO COORDINATION WITH LOCAL UTILITY

UTILITIES AND WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR COSTS DUE TO DAMAGE

ONE-CALL AND THE CITY OF FRANKLIN UTILITY LOCATION SERVICE SHALL

BASE STONE AND BINDER & SURFACE COARSE SHALL BE INSPECTED,

ACCORDANCE WITH APPROVED PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS.

BONDS IF REQUIRED. BEFORE THIS FINAL INSPECTION CAN BE MADE, THE

ENGINEER RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROJECT SHALL CERTIFY IN WRITING

DETENTION BASINS AND DITCHES, AS WELL AS THE ROADWAY SUB-GRADE,

TESTED AND GIVEN APPROVAL AT EACH STAGE OF INSTALLATION PRIOR

OR FOR ANY SITE GRADING REQUIRING STOCKPILING OF MATERIAL.

PROPOSED SPOT ELEVATION BOTTOM OF RETAINING WALL STORM CLEANOUT

# STORMWATER NARRATIVE

STORMWATER QUALITY FOR THE PROJECT WILL BE PROVIDED BY UTILIZING BIORETENTION. OVERFLOWS WILL BE ROUTED VIA AN OVERFLOW STRUCTURE WITHIN THE BIORETENTION AREA TO A STORMWATER DETENTION POND TO ACCOMMODATE THE ADDITIONAL IMPERVIOUS AREA ON-SITE.

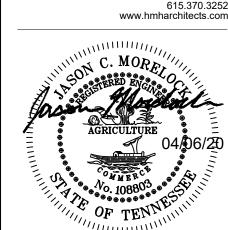
STORMWATER WILL THEN BE CONVEYED TO THE EXISTING OUTFALL AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE SITE, WHICH IS THE SAME DISCHARGE POINT AS IT IS CURRENTLY ON THE PROPERTY.



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H. Michael Hindman Architects, P.C.



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#### **TOBschool (City of Franklin Project Number 7217)**

VSR Partners, LLC has obtained the opportunity to construct a 10,250 square foot pre-school building along with a 9,000 square foot commercial building. TOBschool will be a project-based learning preschool serving ages 2.5-6. The commercial building is anticipated to be a mixed use serving the needs of residents in the surrounding areas.

The project site is located at 4419 South Carothers Road, which is on the south side of South Carothers Road. The project site is zoned Neighborhood Commercial (NC) District. There are two adjoining parcels that compile the project site. Parcel 50.00 of County Tax Map 089 is approximately 1.98 acres in size. Parcel 50.02 of County Tax Map is approximately 1.59 acres in size.

A variance is being requested for the front yard principal building setback per Zoning Ordinance Section 3.13.5. Section 3.13.5 requires the front yard setback to be 10 feet to 40 feet. The variance request is to increase the front yard setback to be from 10 feet to 60 feet.

As required by the Variance Checklist, the variance request addresses the following issues based on the following rationale:

#### **ISSUE**

- The request is justified by either or both of the following: (i) the property is exceptional due to narrowness, shallowness, or shape of the property; or (ii) the property contains exceptional topographic conditions or other extraordinary or exceptional situations or conditions; RATIONALE
- A 40' MTEMC Electric Easement is located along the South Carothers Road property frontage, which will prohibit placement of any building within the defined front yard principal building setback required in the Zoning Ordinance. Furthermore, drainage from the Echelon Subdivision drains through the MTEMC easement along with the project site draining into this area as well. The applicant is proposing to utilize the MTEMC easement and adjacent upstream areas for management of stormwater to meet City standards, which will require the requested variance. The requested variance will allow for minimization of disturbed areas on the project site and for additional preservation of the existing tree canopy.

#### **ISSUE**

• The strict application of the Zoning Ordinance would result in practical difficulties to or undue hardship upon the owner of the property (e.g. Why is your situation--not of personal or financial nature--not generally applicable to other properties throughout the City);

#### **RATIONALE**

 A 40' MTEMC Electric Easement is located along the South Carothers Road property frontage, which will prohibit placement of any building within the defined front yard principal building setback required in the Zoning Ordinance. TOBschool Variance Justification Letter April 6, 2020

#### **ISSUE**

• The relief may be granted without substantial detriment to the public good and without substantially impairing the intent and purpose of the Zoning Ordinance.

#### **RATIONALE**

 Granting of the variance will allow for proper management of stormwater in the topographically low area of the project site. The proposed site improvements are small scale commercial in scope that will serve the surrounding residential neighborhoods. The intent of the Zoning Ordinance with the project is maintained with the buildings being located along the street frontage with no parking areas located between the building and South Carothers Road.
 Furthermore, disturbed areas on the project site will be minimized allowing for additional preservation of the existing tree canopy.

We respectfully request favorable consideration of the variance to increase the front yard setback to be from 10 feet to 60 feet.

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

This letter is written to provide public notice that the Franklin Municipal Planning Commission (FMPC) will be considering a proposed Variance Request for the property located 4419 South Carothers Road in Franklin, TN. The request will be heard by the FMPC on May 7, 2020 at 6 p.m. in the City Hall Board Room. Please see the information below for more details.

#### Applicant:

VSR Partners, LLC, 1643 Valle Verde Drive, Brentwood, Tennessee, 37027, (703) 585-2753, neeti1908@gmail.com

#### Applicant' Representative:

Morelock Engineering, LLC, 2097 Belsford Drive, Nolensville, Tennessee, 37135, (615) 300-6486, jason@morelockeng.com

#### Application Type:

Variance Request for the front yard principal building setback per Zoning Ordinance Section 3.13.5.

#### Date, Time, and Place of Public Meeting:

May 7, 2020 at 6 p.m. in the City Hall Board Room, 109 3rd Avenue South, Franklin, Tennessee, 37064.

#### Subject Property:

4419 South Carothers Road, Franklin, Tennessee, 37064.

#### Nature and Scope of the Application Request:

This submittal is a Variance Request for the front yard principal building setback per Zoning Ordinance Section 3.13.5. Section 3.13.5 requires the front yard setback to be 10 feet to 40 feet. The variance request is to increase the front yard setback to be 10 feet to 60 feet.

#### Where to View the Application:

The application may be viewed in the Planning and Sustainability Department, 109 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue South, Franklin, TN 37064

#### Where the Public Can Be Heard:

The public may appear at the public meeting on May 7, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. to be heard or submit written comments with respect to the application. Written comments may be directed to the City of Franklin Planning and Sustainability Department, 109 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue South, Franklin, TN 37064.

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

This letter is written to provide public notice that the Franklin Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) will be considering a proposed Variance Request for the property located at 4419 South Carothers Road in Franklin, TN. The request will be heard by the BZA on May 7, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Board Room. Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the City will restrict physical access in the meeting room to a small number of staff members due to current limitations on public gatherings. Please see the information below for more ways to access this meeting.

#### Applicant:

VSR Partners, LLC, 1643 Valle Verde Drive, Brentwood, Tennessee, 37027, (703) 585-2753, neeti1908@gmail.com

#### Applicant's Representative:

Morelock Engineering, LLC, 2097 Belsford Drive, Nolensville, Tennessee, 37135, (615) 300-6486, jason@morelockeng.com

#### Application Type:

Variance Request for the front yard principal building setback per Zoning Ordinance Section 3.13.5.

#### Date, Time, and Place of Public Meeting:

May 7, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Board Room, 109 3rd Avenue South, Franklin, Tennessee, 37064.

#### Subject Property:

4419 South Carothers Road, Franklin, Tennessee, 37064.

#### Nature and Scope of the Application Request:

This submittal is a Variance Request for the front yard principal building setback per Zoning Ordinance Section 3.13.5. Section 3.13.5 requires the front yard setback to be 10 feet to 40 feet. The variance request is to exceed the 40-foot maximum setback by 20 feet, allowing the building to have a 60-foot setback.

#### Where to View the Application:

The application may be viewed online by following this link and creating or logging in to an existing IDT account:

https://franklin.idtplans.com/secure/project/?step=results&searchtype=review

Application materials are accessible by entering "381672" under "Project Search."

#### Where the Public Can Be Heard:

The City will restrict physical access in the meeting room to a small number of staff members due to current limitations on public gatherings. Accommodations have been made to ensure that the public is still able to participate in the meeting. The public may participate in the following ways:

- Watch the meeting on FranklinTV or at www.franklintn.gov/FranklinTV. Watch the live stream through the City of Franklin Facebook and YouTube accounts. Call 615-550-8420 to listen to the meeting. Callers will be given an opportunity to ask questions and provide comments during the meeting at specific times.
- Limited viewing will be available in the lobby of City Hall to watch the live video. The public may email questions to <a href="mailto:planningintake@franklintn.gov">planningintake@franklintn.gov</a> to be read aloud during the meeting. Comments will be accepted up until one hour prior to the meeting.

