LAKE COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING DIVISION VARIANCE STAFF REPORT

Board of Adjustment



November 10, 2016

| VAR-16-37-3 | District 3 | Agenda Item #1 |
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| Lisa Morgan | District 5 | / igonida itom // i |



Requested Action: Variances to Land Development Regulation (LDR) Section 3.01.02.(A)(1)(a) to allow a single family residence to be 20 feet at the narrowest point in lieu of the required 23 feet, 4 inches; and Section 3.02.09 to allow a single family residence 600 square feet in size in lieu of 900 square feet.

Owner/Applicant: Lisa Morgan

- Site Location & Information -

| Size | 7.55 +/- acres | | |
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| Property Address | NA | | |
| Location | North side of County Road 448, Tavares area | | |
| Alternate Key No. | 2871458 | | |
| Future Land Use | Rural | | |
| Zoning District | Agriculture (A) / Rural Residential (R-1) | | |
| Overlay Districts | NA | | |
| Joint Planning Area/ISBA Area | NA | | |

-Land Use Table-

| <u>Direction</u> | Future Land Use | <u>Zoning</u> | Existing Use | <u>Comments</u> |
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| North | Rural | Agriculture | Residential | Single family residence |
| South | Rural | Agriculture | Vacant | Single family residence |
| East | Rural | Rural | Vacant | Vacant |
| | | Residential | | |
| West | Rural | Agriculture | Residential | Single family residence |

- Summary of Staff Determination -

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends **APPROVAL** of the variance requests to (LDR) Section 3.01.02(A)(1)(a) to allow a structure less than twenty-four (24) feet, three (3) inches wide to be used as a single family residence and Section 3.02.09 to allow a single family residence 600 square feet in size in lieu of 900 square feet.

-Staff Analysis-

The subject property is 7.55 +/- acres and is located on the north side of County Road 448, in the Tavares area. The property has split zoning, which are Agriculture (A) on the north side and Rural Residential (R-1) on the south side and is part of the Rural Future Land Use Category. The parcel has an indication of wetlands and is located within flood zones "A" and "X". Currently there is an unpermitted block structure, which is what the current owners would like to permit as a single-family dwelling unit.

The owner/applicant is applying for a variance to Land Development Regulation (LDR) Section 3.01.02.A.1.a.which requires single family residences to be a minimum of twenty-three (23) feet four (4) inches wide at the narrowest point, excluding any attached screened room, architectural design features, garages, carports or utility area. The applicant wishes to convert the existing structure which is twenty (20) feet at its narrowest point to be used as a single family residence (as seen in Exhibit A).

The **intent of the Code**, LDR Section 3.01.01, is to allow Development and use of property only in compliance with the goals, objectives and policies of Lake County as expressed in the Lake County Comprehensive Plan. The plans for the proposed single family residence are in alignment with this regulation.

The applicants submitted the following reasons as proof of **meeting the intent of the Code**:

"I am meeting all setbacks from property lines/boundaries and roof pitch and solid foundation. I also meet density, impervious surface, and height requirements. I am using an existing building on the property and converting to a residence. It was there when I purchased back in 5/2016."

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The applicant submitted the following as proof that the application of the Land Development Regulations would create a substantial hardship or would violate principles of fairness:

"Currently 26 year old son endeavoring to make a place for himself after paying off \$18,000 school loan. Works 30 hours a week. Current housing economy very high and standard of living and pay has not risen with it. Very difficult to qualify for the current houses out there now. He will build onto the existing structure later as his finances grow. It.'s a very solid nice structure. He is currently living at home with parents in very cramped guarters."

FINDINGS OF FACT: Staff has reviewed the application for this variance request and found:

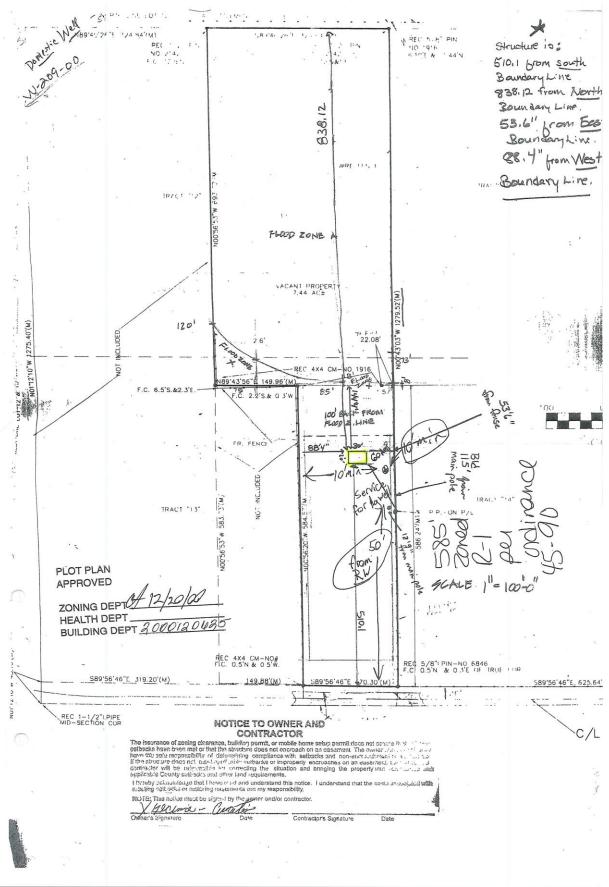
- 1. This request is consistent with LDR Table 3.01.03, which allows residential uses within the Agriculture and Rural Residential Zoning District; and
- 2. The intent of the Code (3.01.02) is to allow development and use of property in compliance with the goals, objectives and policies of Lake County as expressed in the Lake County Comprehensive Plan; and
- 3. The proposed residence will be situated on a 7.5 acres. The proposed residence will not alter the character of the neighborhood or create adverse impacts on the adjacent lots, which is the intent of the regulation.

The owner and applicant have submitted proof of meeting the intent of the Code and have shown proof of a substantial hardship or that the application of the Code would violate principles of fairness. Based on the Findings of Fact and Analysis stated above, Staff recommends **approval** of the variance request to allow a single family residence to be 20 feet at the narrowest point in lieu of the required 23 feet, 4 inches; and to allow a single family residence 600 square feet in size in lieu of 900 square feet.

WRITTEN COMMENTS FILED: Support: -0- Questions: -0- Opposition: -0-

Case Planner: Ruth Mitchell

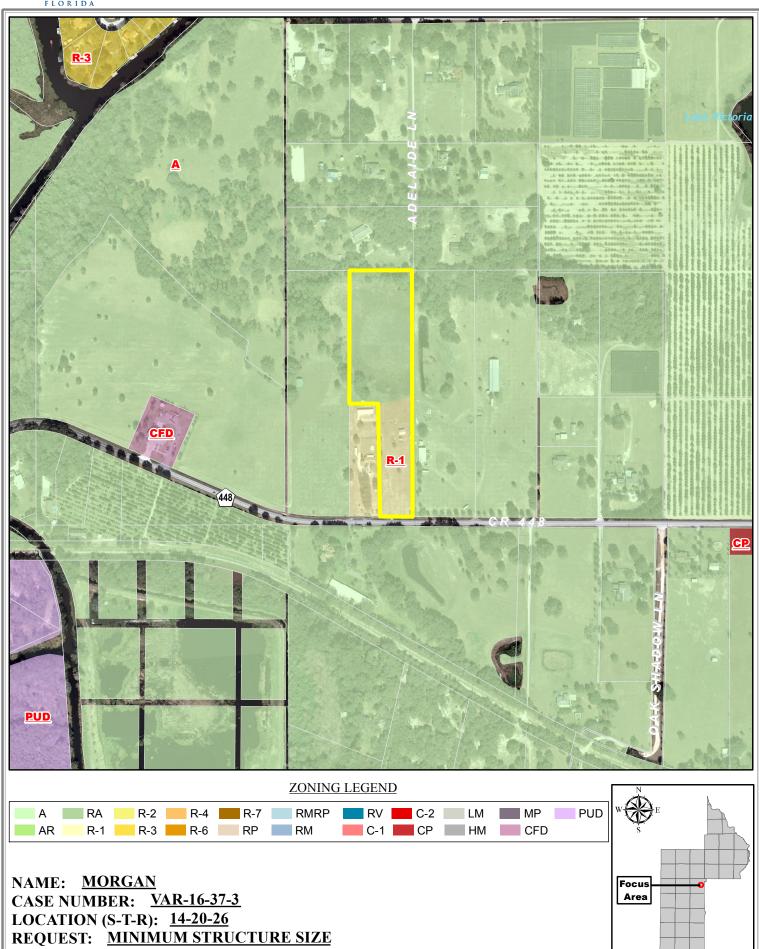






CURRENT ZONING

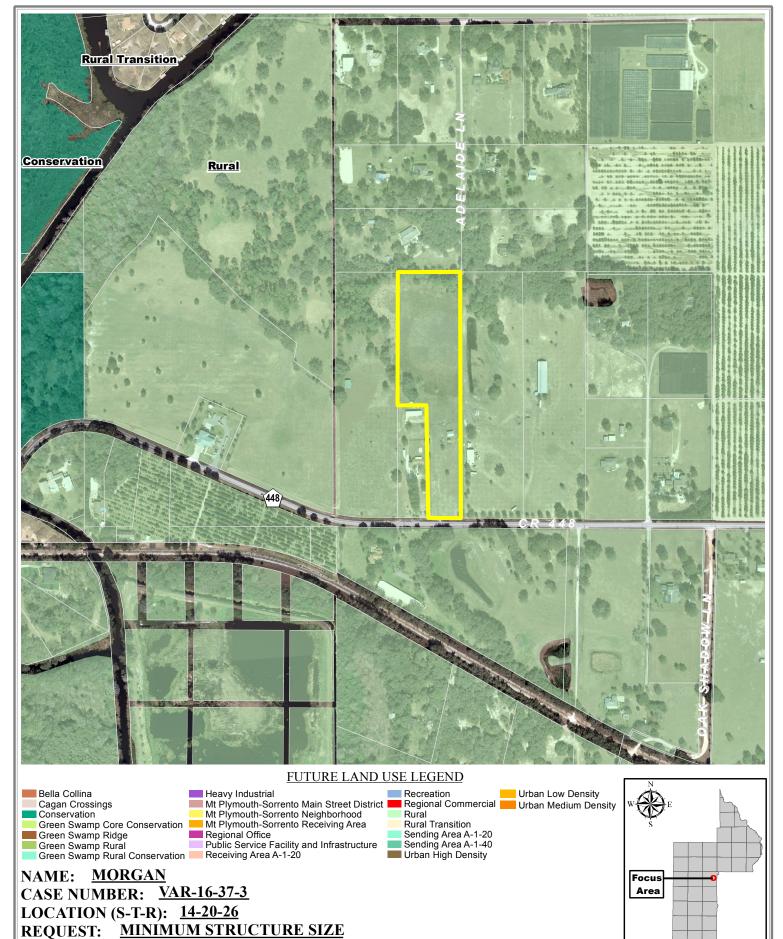






CURRENT FUTURE LAND USE





Final Development Order Lisa Morgan VAR-16-37-3

A VARIANCE OF THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT AMENDING THE LAKE COUNTY ZONING MAPS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Lisa Morgan (the "Applicants" and the "Owners") requested variances to Land Development Regulation (LDR) Section 3.01.02(A)(1)(a) to allow a structure less than twenty-three (23 feet, four (4) inches wide to be used as a single family residence and Section 3.02.09 to allow a single family residence 600 square feet in size in lieu of 900 square feet.

WHEREAS, the subject property consists of 7.55 +/- acres and is located on the north side of County Road 448, Mount Dora area, in Section 11, Township 20 South, Range 26, Alternate Key Number 2871458 and is more particularly described below (hereinafter referred to as the "Property"):

VICTORIA SETTLEMENT 14-20-26 THAT PART OF LOTS 12 & 13 DESC AS FOLLOWS: FROM NE COR LOT 11 RUN S 89DEG 43MIN 02SEC W ALONG THE N LINE OF SAID LOTS 11 & 12 A DIST OF 664.9 FT TO POB, CONT S 89DEG 43MIN 02SEC W ALONG N LINE OF SAID LOT 12 A DIST OF 324.95 FT, S 00DEG 56MIN 20SEC E 694.4 FT, E 150 FT PARALLEL WITH N LINE OF SAID LOT 12, S 00DEG 56MIN 20SEC E TO N'LY R/W OF SR 448, E'LY ALONG SAID R/W TO SE COR OF SAID LOT 12, N 00DEG 43MIN 27SEC W 1279.64 FT TO POB PB 1 PG 61 ORB 4792 PG 1379

WHEREAS, after giving Notice of Hearing on petition for a variance to the Lake County Land Development Regulations, including notice that said variance would be presented to the Board of Adjustment of Lake County, Florida, on November 10, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Adjustment reviewed said petition, staff report and any comments, favorable or unfavorable, from the public and surrounding property owners at a public hearing duly advertised; and

WHEREAS, on November 10, 2016, the Lake County Board of Adjustment approved the variance for the above property.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Adjustment of Lake County, Florida, that the Land Development Regulations of Lake County, Florida, be altered and amended as they pertain to the above subject property, subject to the following terms:

- **Section 1. Recitals**: The foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.
- **Section 2. Terms:** The County Manager or designee shall amend the Official Zoning Map to reflect the approval of VAR-16-37-3 to allow a single family residence to be 20 feet at the narrowest point in lieu of the

required 23 feet, 4 inches; and Section 3.02.09 to allow a single family residence 600 square feet in size in lieu of 900 square feet.

- **Section 3. Severability:** If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, then said holding shall in no way affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.
- Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective as provided by law.

ENACTED this 10th day of November, 2016.

EFFECTIVE November 10, 2016.

| Donald Schreiner, Chairman | |
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| LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA | |
| BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT | |

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF LAKE

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this November 10, 2016 by DONALD SCHREINER, who is personally known to me.

(SEAL)

| Signature of Acknowledger | |
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