

# VARIANCE STAFF REPORT

Tab Number: 7

Public Hearing Date: November 14, 2019

Case No. and Project Name: VAR-19-63-4, Dickerson Property

Applicant: Jimmy D. Crawford, Esquire, Crawford, Modica & Holt Chartered Attorneys at Law

Owner: Jeffrey L. Dickerson

Requested Action: Amend Variance 19-24-4 to clarify the condition associated with the landscape buffer.

Staff Determination: Staff recommends approval of the amendment to the landscape buffer condition.

Case Manager: Janie Barrón, Senior Planner

### **Subject Property Information**

Size: 5+/- acres

Location: North of State Road 46, and south of Wolf Branch Road in the Sorrento area.

Alternate Key No.: 3378784

Future Land Use: Mt. Plymouth Sorrento Neighborhood

Current Zoning District: Agriculture (A)

Flood Zone: "X"

Joint Planning Area/ ISBA: None Overlay Districts: None

### **Adjacent Property Land Use Table**

Direction	Future Land Use	Zoning	Existing Use	Comments
North	Mt. Plymouth Sorrento Neighborhood	Agriculture (A)	Residential	Single-Family Dwelling Units
South	Mt. Plymouth Sorrento Neighborhood	Agriculture (A)	Residential	Single-Family Dwelling Units
East	N/A	N/A	Street	Orange Street, Adjoining by Single-Family Dwelling Units
West	Mt. Plymouth Sorrento Neighborhood	Agriculture (A)	Residential	Vacant Large Agriculture Tracts of Land

### Summary of Request.

The subject 5 +/- acre parcel is identified by Alternate Key Number 3378784. The parcel is zoned Agriculture (A) and is part of the Mt. Plymouth Sorrento Neighborhood Future Land Use Category (FLUC). The subject parcel is currently developed with a single-family dwelling unit, stable, shed, and horse corral areas (Attachment A).

On April 30, 2019, Jimmy D. Crawford, Esquire (the "Applicant") requested a variance, on behalf of Jeffrey L. Dickerson (the "Owner"), to Lake County Land Development Regulations (LDR) Section 3.02.05(J), to allow a proposed kennel building to be constructed with a setback of less than two-hundred (200) feet from the western, northern, and southern property lines.

On July 11, 2019, the Board of Adjustment approved Variance 19-24-4, to allow a proposed kennel building to be constructed with a setback of less than two-hundred (200) feet from the western, northern, and southern property lines with the condition that a Type "A" landscape buffer must be installed and maintained along the western, northern, and southern property lines to serve as a buffer and mitigate any potential noise impacts (Attachment B). Furthermore, the Applicant had provided an email on July 10, 2019 that indicated that the landscape buffer would be plated outside of the ingress/egress easement that is located on the northside of the property (Attachment C).

On October 30, 2019, it was brought to staff's attention that there was an inconsistency with the location of the landscape buffer condition. An existing ingress/egress easement is located along the northern property line of the property which provides access to an adjacent property owner. Therefore, it would not be feasible for a landscape buffer to be installed in the easement area.

Staff is seeking to amend Variance 19-24-4 development order to clarify the location of the landscape buffer (Attachment D). Staff recommends that a Type "A" landscape buffer must be installed and maintained along the western property line, southern property line, and along the southern side of the existing northern ingress/egress easement. The purpose of the landscape buffer is to mitigate potential noise impacts.

### Staff Analysis.

LDR Section 14.15.02 states that variances will be granted when the person subject to a Land Development Regulation demonstrates that the purpose of the Land Development Regulation will be or has been achieved by other means, and when application of a Land Development Regulation would create a substantial hardship or would violate principles of fairness.

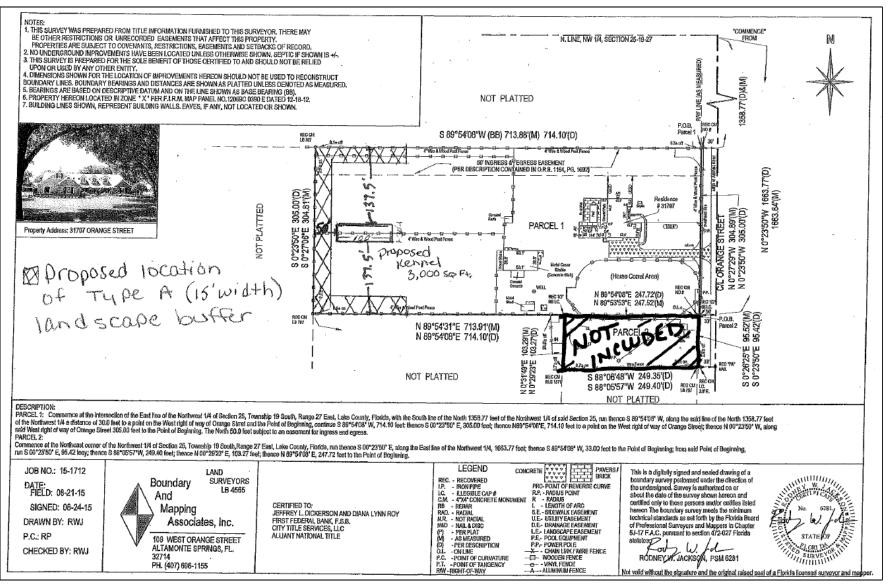
- 1. The purpose of the Land Development Regulation will be or has been achieved by other means.
  - Amending Variance 19-24-4 to clarify the location of the landscape buffer condition is consistent with the approval granted by the Board of Adjustment (BOA) on July 11, 2019.
- 2. The application of a Land Development Regulation would create a substantial hardship or would violate principles of fairness. For purposes of this Section, "substantial hardship" means a demonstrated economic, technological, legal, or other type of hardship to the person requesting the variance. For purposes of this Section, "principles of fairness" are violated when the literal application of a Land Development Regulation affects a particular person in a manner significantly different from the way it affects other similarly situated persons who are subject to the Land Development Regulation.

Amending Variance 19-24-4 to clarify the location of the landscape buffer condition is consistent with the approval granted by the Board of Adjustment (BOA) on July 11, 2019.

# Map of Subject Property



# Attachment A, Concept Plan.



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## VARIANCE STAFF REPORT

OFFICE OF PLANNING & ZONING

Tab Number: 4

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Applicant: Jimmy D. Crawford, Esquire, Crawford, Modica & Holt Chartered Attorneys at Law

Owner: Jeffrey L. Dickerson

Requested Action: Variance to Lake County Land Development Regulations (LDR) Section 3.02.05(J), to

allow a proposed kennel building to be constructed with a setback of less than two-

hundred (200) feet from the western, northern, and southern property lines.

Staff Determination: Staff recommends approval of the variance request subject to the conditions contained

in the draft development order.

Case Manager: Janie Barrón, Senior Planner

**Subject Property Information** 

Size: 5+/- acres

Location: North of State Road 46, and south of Wolf Branch Road in the Sorrento area.

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### Summary of Request.

The subject 5 +/- acre parcel is identified by Alternate Key Number 3378784. The parcel is zoned Agriculture (A) and is part of the Mt. Plymouth Sorrento Neighborhood Future Land Use Category (FLUC). The subject parcel is currently developed with a single-family dwelling unit, stable, shed, and horse corral areas. The Owner seeks approval to allow an additional 3,000 +/- square foot building that will be used as kennel with a setback of fifty (50) feet from the western property line, one-hundred thirty-seven and one-half (137.5) feet from the northern and southern property lines. However, Lake County Land Development Regulations (LDR) Section 3.02.05(J), requires that structures used for the purpose of a kennel must maintain a setback of two-hundred (200) feet from the nearest right-of-way line of any road, adjacent boundary, or property owned by others. Therefore, the application seeks a variance to Lake County Land Development Regulations (LDR) Section 3.02.05(J), to allow a proposed kennel building to be constructed with a setback of less than two-hundred (200) feet from the western, northern, and southern property lines.

### Staff Analysis.

LDR Section 14.15.02 states that variances will be granted when the person subject to a Land Development Regulation demonstrates that the purpose of the Land Development Regulation will be or has been achieved by other means, and when application of a Land Development Regulation would create a substantial hardship or would violate principles of fairness.

1. The purpose of the Land Development Regulation will be or has been achieved by other means.

"The Property Owner will center the kennel structure on his property to ensure adjacent neighbors have adequate buffers, as required in LDR 3.01.04.1 Keeping of Livestock for General Agriculture and Non-Intensive Agriculture. The LDR's have a contradictory section of the LDR's that requires a 200 foot setback regardless of lot dimensions."

The intent of the Code, LDR Section 3.02.05, is to promote a logical development pattern, provide for safe setbacks between structures, and encourage a visually pleasing environment. The lot width is three-hundred five (305) feet and therefore cannot accommodate the minimum required two-hundred (200) foot setback for the proposed kennel. To meet the intent of the Code, the Applicant is proposing a fifteen (15) foot landscape buffer (Type "A") to create a visual buffer and mitigate any potential noise impacts.

2. The application of a Land Development Regulation would create a substantial hardship or would violate principles of fairness. For purposes of this Section, "substantial hardship" means a demonstrated economic, technological, legal, or other type of hardship to the person requesting the variance. For purposes of this Section, "principles of fairness" are violated when the literal application of a Land Development Regulation affects a particular person in a manner significantly different from the way it affects other similarly situated persons who are subject to the Land Development Regulation.

"LDR 3.02.05.J. requires the proposed kennel (concurrent CUP application) to maintain a 200 foot setback from the nearest ROW, road or adjacent boundary or Property owned by others. The Owner's property is only 305 ft wide and therefore makes it impossible to meet a 200 ft setback. We are requesting a variance to this section, however we will follow LDR 3.01.04.1 that allows properties without enough width to center structures that will house animals on the property."

LDR Section 14.15.04 states that for the purposes of this section "substantial hardship" means a demonstrated economic, technological, legal, or other type of hardship to the person requested the variance. It is impossible for the proposed building to meet the minimum required kennel setback as the lot width is three-hundred five (305) feet. Therefore, even if the Owners reconfigure the proposed structure or proposed location, the property would not be able to accommodate the minimum required two-hundred (200) foot setback for the proposed kennel.

### Attachment B, Variance 19-24-4 Packet (Page 3 of 7).

### Final Development Order VAR-19-24-4 Dickerson Property

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

WHEREAS, Jimmy D. Crawford, Esquire (the "Applicant") requested a variance, on behalf of Jeffrey L. Dickerson (the "Owner"), to Lake County Land Development Regulations (LDR) Section 3.02.05(J), to allow a proposed kennel building to be constructed with a setback of less than two-hundred (200) feet from the western, northern, and southern property lines; and

WHEREAS, the subject property consists of 5 +/- acres and is located at 31707 Orange Street, in the unincorporated Sorrento area of Lake County, Florida, in Section 25, Township 19 South, Range 27 East, having Alternate Key Number 3378784 and more particularly described in below:

### EXHIBIT "A" - LEGAL DESCRIPTION

WHEREAS, after giving notice of the hearing on the petition for a variance to the Lake County Land Development Regulations, including notice that the variance would be presented to the Board of Adjustment of Lake County, Florida, on July 11, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Adjustment reviewed the 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 July 11, 2019, 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:

- Section 1. Terms: The County Manager or designee shall amend the Official Zoning Map to reflect the approval of VAR-19-24-4 to allow a proposed kennel building to be constructed with a setback of less than two-hundred (200) feet from the western, northern, and southern property lines with the following condition:
  - A Type "A" landscape buffer must be installed and maintained along the western, northern, and southern property lines to serve as a buffer and mitigate any potential noise impacts.
- Section 2. Severability: If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the holding will in no way affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

# Attachment B, Variance 19-24-4 Packet (Page 4 of 7).

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Section 3.	Effective Date. This Ord	dinance will become effective as provided by law.
	ENACTED this 11th day	of July, 2019.
	EFFECTIVE July 11, 201	19.
		BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA
		Lloyd Atkins, Chairman
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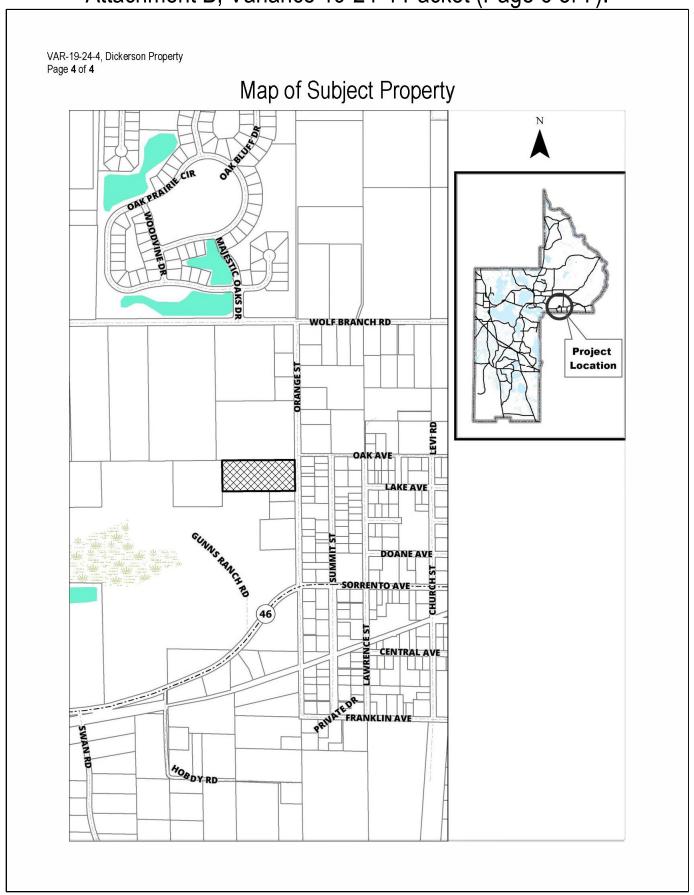
VAR-19-24-4, Dickerson Property

### **EXHIBIT "A" - LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

Commence at the intersection of the East line of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 25, Township 19 South, Range 27 East, Lake County, Florida, with the South line of the North 1358.77 feet of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 25, run thence S.89°54'08"W., along the said South line of the North 1358.77 feet of the Northwest 1/4 a distance of 30.0 feet to a point on the West right of way of Orange Street and the Point of Beginning of this description; from said Point of Beginning, continue S.89°54'08"W., 714.10 feet; thence S.00°23'50"E., 305.0 feet; thence N.89°54'08"E., 714.10 feet to a point on the West right of way of Orange Street; thence N.00°23'50"W., along said West right of way of Orange Street 305.0 feet to the Point of Beginning.

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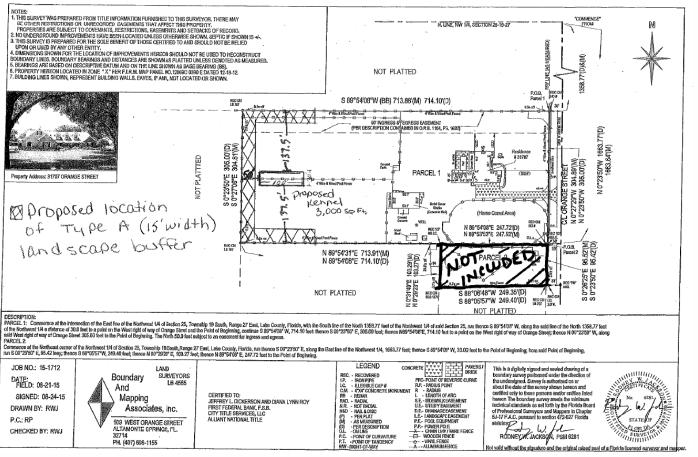
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# Attachment A – Concept Plan



### Attachment C, Landscape Buffer Email from Applicant.

Barron, Janie

From: Jennifer Cotch <jcotch@cmhlawyers.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 10, 2019 3:32 PM

To: Barron, Janie

**Subject:** Dickerson-concept plan note

Janie,

Please note the applicant is planning on planting the landscape buffer outside the ingress/egress easement that is located on the northside of the property.

Thank you,

Jennifer

Jennifer M. Cotch

Land Use Planner/Paralegal Crawford, Modica & Holt Chartered Attorneys at Law 702 W. Montrose Street Clermont, FL 34711

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### Attachment D, Variance 19-24-4 Recorded Development Order (Page 1 of 3).

# VAR-19-24-4 Dickerson Property OR BK 5314 PG 834 - 836 (31 DATE: 7/23/2019 11:45:47 AM GARY J. COONEY, CLERKAND COMPTROLLER, LAIR RECORDING FEES \$27.00

INSTRUMENT #2019082219
OR BK 5314 PG 834 - 836 (3 PGS)
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AND COMPTROLLER, LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA
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WHEREAS, the Board of Adjustment reviewed the 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 July 11, 2019, 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:

- **Section 1. Terms:** The County Manager or designee shall amend the Official Zoning Map to reflect the approval of VAR-19-24-4 to allow a proposed kennel building to be constructed with a setback of less than two-hundred (200) feet from the western, northern, and southern property lines with the following condition:
  - A Type "A" landscape buffer must be installed and maintained along the western, northern, and southern property lines to serve as a buffer and mitigate any potential noise impacts.
- **Section 2. Severability:** If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the holding will in no way affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

### Attachment D, Variance 19-24-4 Recorded Development Order (Page 2 of 3).

VAR-19-24-4, Dickerson Property Section 3. Effective Date. This Ordinance will become effective as provided by law. ENACTED this 11th day of July, 2019. EFFECTIVE July 11, 2019. **BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT** LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA Jan Ho James Agento, Vice-chairman STATE OF FLORIDA **COUNTY OF LAKE** The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 11th day of July, 2019, by who is personally known to me or who has produced take an oath. JUANA A BARRON State of Florida-Notary Public Commission # GG 201327 My Commission Expires April 10, 2022

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VAR-19-24-4, Dickerson Property

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# Final Development Order VAR-19-63-4 Dickerson Property

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**WHEREAS**, on April 30, 2019, Jimmy D. Crawford, Esquire (the "Applicant") requested a conditional use permit application on behalf of Jeffrey L. Dickerson (the "Owner"), to allow for a kennel use. During the review process, the Applicant was informed that a variance would be required to allow the kennel to be located at 137.5 feet from the side property lines and 50 feet from the rear property line;

**WHEREAS**, based on staff comments, the Applicant requested a variance, to Lake County Land Development Regulations (LDR) Section 3.02.05(J), to allow a proposed kennel building to be constructed with a setback of less than two-hundred (200) feet from the western, northern, and southern property lines; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 11, 2019, the Board of Adjustment approved Variance 19-24-4, to allow a proposed kennel building to be constructed with a setback of less than two-hundred (200) feet from the western, northern, and southern property lines with the condition that a Type "A" landscape buffer must be installed and maintained along the western, northern, and southern property lines to serve as a buffer and mitigate any potential noise impacts; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 30, 2019, during a hearing on the conditional use permit application in front of the Planning and Zoning Board, it was brought to staff's attention that there was an inconsistency with the landscape buffer condition approved as part of Variance 19-24-4; and

**WHEREAS**, staff is seeking to clarify the location of the landscape buffer condition that was stipulated in the development order as recorded in ORB 5314 Pages 834 through 836, Public Records of Lake County, Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, the subject property consists of 5 +/- acres and is located at 31707 Orange Street, in the unincorporated Sorrento area of Lake County, Florida, in Section 25, Township 19 South, Range 27 East, having Alternate Key Number 3378784 and more particularly described in below:

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**WHEREAS**, on November 14, 2019, the Lake County Board of Adjustment approved the variance for the above property.

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- Section 3. Effective Date. This Ordinance will become effective as provided by law.

**ENACTED** this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019.

**EFFECTIVE November 14, 2019.** 

LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA	
Lloyd Atkins, Chairman	

**BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT** 

# STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF LAKE

The foregoing instrument w	as acknowledged before me this 14th day of November, 2019, by
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	Notary Public

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