

VARIANCE STAFF REPORT OFFICE OF PLANNING & ZONING

Tab Number: 1 March 9, 2023 Public Hearing Date: Case No. and Project Name: VAR-22-51-3, Pena and Baron Property Owners / Applicants: Guillermo Cruz Pena and Liliana Baron Requested Action: Variance to Lake County Land Development Regulations (LDR) Section 3.01.02.A.1.b to allow a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to be constructed with a roof pitch of less than one (1) foot rise for each four (4) feet of horizontal run. Case Manager: Jacob Geisler, Planner Subject Property Information Size: 3.08 +/- gross acres Location: North of the Grand Oak Lane / Silent Ridge Drive intersection, in the unincorporated Tavares area 3838689 Alternate Key No.: Future Land Use: Rural Current Zoning District: Planned Unit Development (PUD) "A" Flood Zone: N/A Joint Planning Area/ ISBA: Yalaha-Lake Apopka Rural Protection Area (RPA) **Overlay Districts:**

Adjacent Property Land Use Table

Direction	Future Land Use	Zoning	Existing Use	Comments
North	Rural	Planned Unit Development (PUD)	Residential	Residential Common Elements Area
South	Rural	Planned Unit Development (PUD)	Residential	Vacant Residential Lot, adjacent to Grand Oak Lane
East	Rural	Planned Unit Development (PUD)	Residential	Single-Family Dwelling Unit, adjacent to Silent Ridge Drive
West	Rural	Planned Unit Development (PUD)	Residential	Single-Family Dwelling Unit

Summary of Request

The subject property, identified by Alternate Key Number 3838689, contains approximately 3.08 +/- gross acres. According to the Property Appraiser's database there is a wetland area along the rear of the property and adjacent to Silent Ridge Loop and is partially within Flood Zone "A". The subject property is zoned Planned Unit Development (PUD) in accordance with Ordinance #2019-50 and is designated with a Rural Future Land Use Category (FLUC) by the 2030 Comprehensive Plan. Generally, the subject property is generally located north of the intersection of Grand Oak Lane and Silent Ridge Drive in the Beauclair Ranch Club subdivision, in the unincorporated area of Tavares. The subject property is currently vacant.

The Applicant has requested a Variance to Lake County Land Development Regulations (LDR) Section 3.01.02.A.1.b to allow a single-family dwelling unit (SFDU) to be constructed with a roof pitch of less than one (1) foot rise for each four (4) feet of horizontal run. The Applicant is requesting to allow the SFDU with a pitch of one (1) inch for each one (1) foot of horizontal run as depicted on the Site Plan (Attachment "A"), Boundary Survey (Attachment "B"), and Architectural Plans (Attachment "C"). LDR Section 3.01.02.A.1 requires that single-family dwelling units (SFDU) comply with the following regulations:

- a) SFDU shall have a minimum width of twenty-three (23) feet four (4) inches at the narrowest point, excluding any attached screened room, architectural design features, garages, Carports or utility area. Prior to the issuance of any Building or use Permits, site plans set forth under the general provision section Shall be submitted to the County Manager or designee for his approval;
- b) The pitch of the main roof shall not be less than one (1) foot of rise for each four (4) feet of horizontal run and a minimal overhang of six (6) inches. Installed gutter may be counted as part of the six (6) inch overhang;
- c) A solid foundation or permanent skirting be required around the perimeter of the unit; and
- d) Any wheels, tongue or any transportation apparatus must be removed or enclosed.

The SFDU meets all the criteria listed above except for the roof pitch minimum requirement, which the applicant is requesting a variance to.

The application was provided to the Department of Public Works and the Chief Fire Plans Examiner for review. The Department of Public Works provided the following condition: *"Flood permitting will be required at time of building permit application. A flood determination, additional information on the structure and finished floor elevation, and elevation certificates will be required at time of permitting and during the construction of the structure. Any fill within the floodplain will require compensating storage onsite." The Chief Fire Plans Examiner did not identify any comments or objections to the request.*

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.

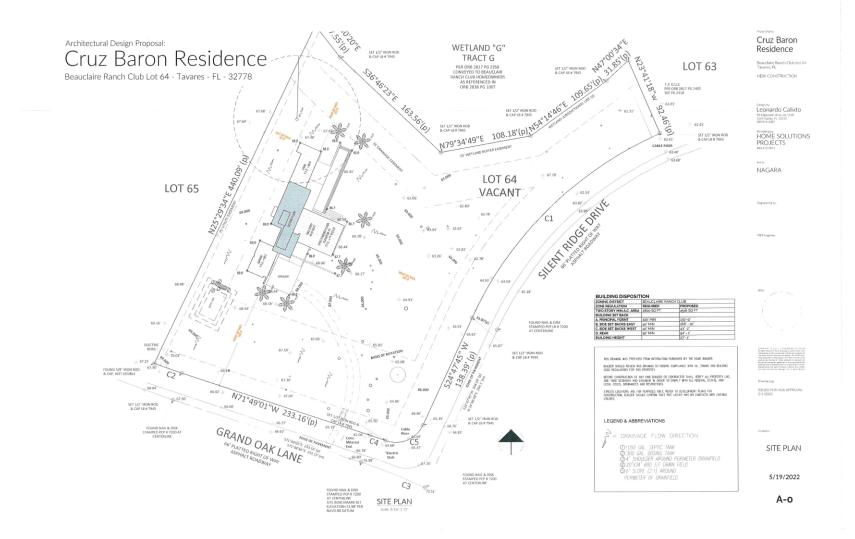
1. The purpose of the Land Development Regulation will be or has been achieved by other means.

The intent of the Code, LDR Section 3.01.00, is to describe the specific uses and restrictions that apply to the zoning districts established in these regulations. These regulations are intended 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.

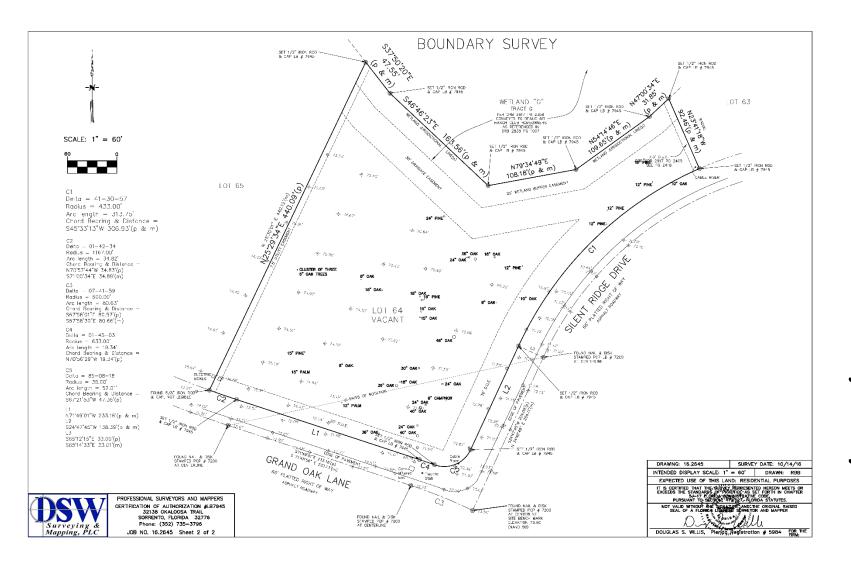
To show that the intent of the Code will be or has been achieved by other means, the Applicant provided the following statement, "This house meets all safety regulations. It is category 5 hurricane resistant, energy efficient, and green eco-friendly with rainwater recycling, hidden solar panels, seamless roof and gutters in compliance with Florida Building Code.

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.

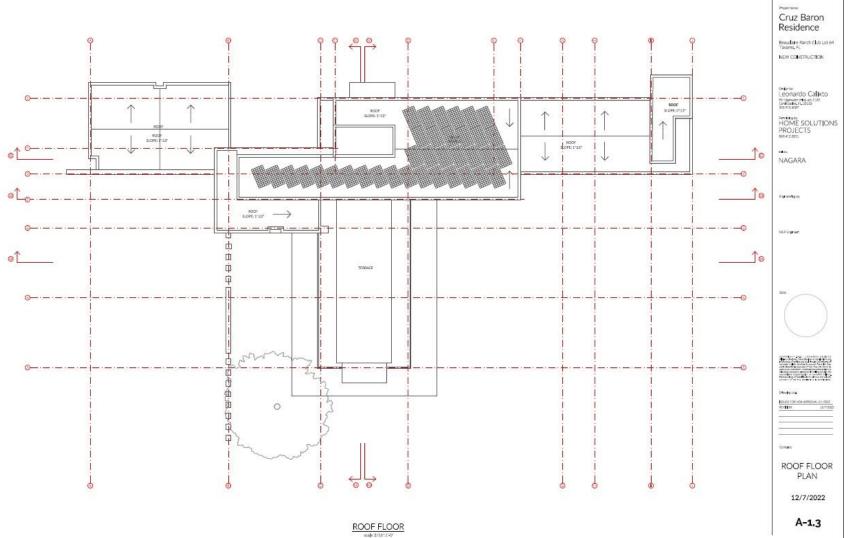
The Applicant provided the following statement, "The proposed design is for safe, green eco-friendly, energy efficient and smart home with roof in compliance with the Florida Building Code 2020."







Attachment "B" – Boundary Survey

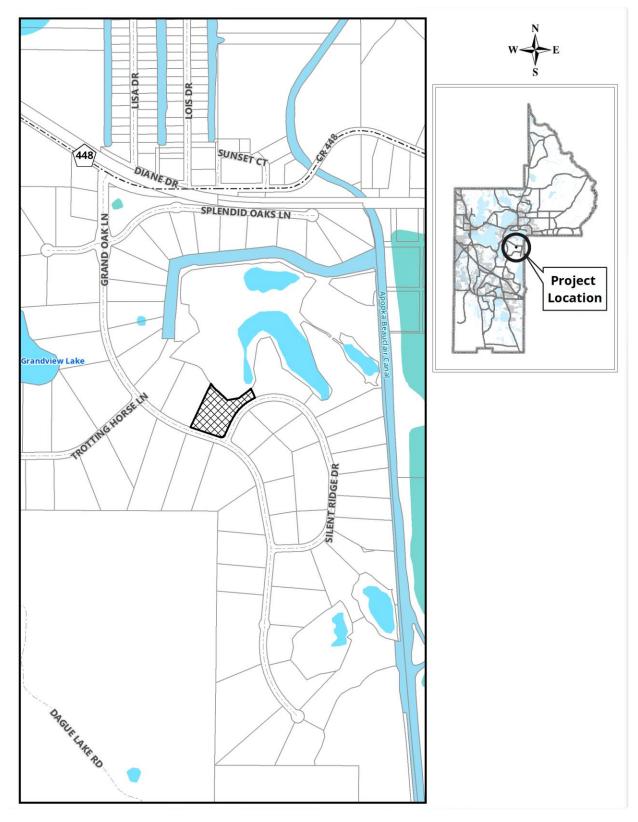


Attachment "C" – Architectural Plans

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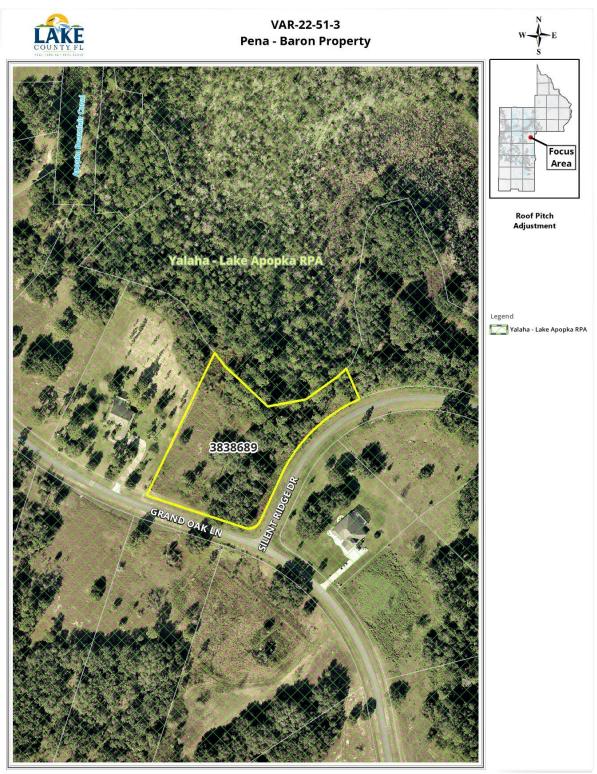
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Map of Subject Property

Aerial Map



Final Development Order VAR-22-51-3 Pena and Baron Property

WHEREAS, Guillermo Cruz Pena and Liliana Baron (the "Owners" and the "Applicants") requested a Variance to Lake County Land Development Regulations (LDR) Section 3.01.02.A.1.b to allow a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to be constructed with a roof pitch of less than one (1) foot rise for each four (4) feet of horizontal run; and

WHEREAS, the subject property consists of 3.08 +/- acres and is located north of the Grand Oaks Lane / Silent Ridge Drive intersection, in the unincorporated Tavares area, in Section 15, Township 20, Range 26, having Alternate Key Number 3838689 and more particularly described as:

Lot 64, Beauclair Ranch Club, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 55, Page 3 through 8, Public Records of Lake County, Florida.

WHEREAS, after giving notice of the hearing on the petition for a Variance to the Lake County Land Development Regulations (LDR), including notice that the Variance would be presented to the Board of Adjustment of Lake County, Florida, on March 9, 2023; 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 the 9th of March 2023, 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-22-51-3 to allow a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to be constructed with a roof pitch of less than one (1) foot rise for each four (4) feet of horizontal run, specifically with a pitch of one (1) inch for each one (1) foot of horizontal run, with the following condition:
 - 1. Flood permitting will be required with the building permit application. A flood determination, additional info on the structure and finished floor, and elevation certificates would be required at time of permitting and during the construction of the structure. Any fill within the floodplain will require compensating storage onsite.
- **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.

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

ENACTED this 9th day of March 2023.

EFFECTIVE March 9, 2023.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Chairman

State of Florida

County of Lake

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me by means of
physical presence or
online notarization, this 9th day of March 2023, by ______, as Chairman of the Lake County Board of Adjustment.

Personally Known OR Produced Identification

Type of Identification Produced _____

Notary Signature (SEAL)