AGENDA



Board of Adjustment Meeting

March 26, 2025 | 6:30 PM Council Chambers

City Hall | 665 Country Club Road, Lucas, Texas

Notice is hereby given that a regular meeting of the Board of Adjustment of the City of Lucas will be held on Wednesday, March 26, 2025, at 6:30 pm at Lucas City Hall, 665 Country Club Road, Lucas, Texas 75002-7651, at which time the following agenda will be discussed. As authorized by Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, the Board of Adjustment may convene into closed Executive Session for the purpose of seeking confidential legal advice from the City Attorney on any item on the agenda at any time during the meeting.

If you would like to watch the meeting live, you may go to the City's live streaming link at https://www.lucastexas.us/departments/public-meetings/.

How to Provide Input at a Meeting:

Speak In Person: Request to Speak forms will be available at the meeting. Please fill out the form and give to the City Secretary prior to the start of the meeting. This form will also allow a place for comments.

Submit Written Comments: If you are unable to attend a meeting and would like to submit written comments regarding a specific agenda item, email City Secretary Toshia Kimball at tkimball@lucastexas.us by no later than 3:30 pm the day of the meeting. The email must contain the person's name, address, phone number, and the agenda item(s) for which comments will be made. Any requests received after 3:30 pm will not be included at the meeting.

Call to Order

- Roll Call
- Determination of Quorum
- Reminder to turn off or silence cell phones
- Pledge of Allegiance

Citizen Input

1. Citizen Input.

Public Hearing

- 2. Conduct a public hearing and consider the request by Tim Bonner for a variance from the City of Lucas Code of Ordinances to allow a reduction in the required front yard setback from 75' from the centerline of the road to 50', and a reduction in the rear yard setback from 50' to 20'. for a parcel of land located in ABS A0506 JOHN W KERBY SURVEY, TRACT 51, being all of a 2.098-acre tract of land, otherwise known as 815 Blondy Jhune, Lucas, Texas.
 - A. Presentation by Joe Hilbourn
 - B. Conduct public hearing
 - C. Take action on the variance request

(Presenter: Development Services Director Joe Hilbourn)

- 3. Conduct a public hearing and consider the request by Ronald Cooper, 1165 Sugar Bars Drive, Lucas, Texas, 75002. Mr. Cooper is requesting a variance from Code section § 14.04.304, 3A(iii). Requiring a minimum side yard setback of twenty feet (20'). Mr. Cooper is looking for a reduction in the side yard back from twenty feet (20') to six feet (6').
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Regular Agenda

4. Consider approval of the minutes of the January 22, 2025, Board of Adjustment meeting. (City Secretary Toshia Kimball)

Executive Agenda

As authorized by Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, the Board of Adjustment may convene into closed Executive Session for the purpose of seeking confidential legal advice from the City Attorney regarding any item on the agenda at any time during the meeting. This meeting is closed to the public as provided in the Texas Government Code.

- 5. Executive Session: An Executive Session is not scheduled for this meeting.
- 6. Adjournment.

Certification

I do hereby certify that the above notice was posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act on the bulletin board at Lucas City Hall, 665 Country Club Road, Lucas, Texas 75002 and on the City's website at www.lucastexas.us on or before 5:00 p.m. on March 21, 2025.

Toshia Kimball, City Secretary

In compliance with the American with Disabilities Act, the City of Lucas will provide for reasonable accommodations for persons attending public meetings at City Hall. Requests for accommodations or interpretive services should be directed to Toshia Kimball at 972-912-1211 or by email at tkimball@lucastexas.us at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

City of Lucas Board of Adjustment Agenda Request March 26, 2025

Requester: Chair Tom Redman

Agenda Item Request

Citizen Input.

Background Information

NA

Attachments/Supporting Documentation

NA

Budget/Financial Impact

NA

Recommendation

NA

Motion

NA



City of Lucas Board of Adjustment Agenda Request March 26, 2025

Requester: Development Services Director Joe Hilbourn

Agenda Item Request

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- A. Presentation by Joe Hilbourn
- B. Conduct public hearing
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Background Information

The Board of Adjustment has received a request for a variance from the literal interpretation of the City of Lucas Code of Ordinances to allow a reduction in the front and rear yard setbacks. Mr. Bonners request is to reduce the front yard setback from 75', to 50', he is also requesting a reduction in the required rear yard setback from 50' to 20'.

The lot Mr. Bonner is building on is a legal lot of record, that exceeds the minimum size requirements, was established prior to the city codifying required front and rear yard setbacks in 1995. The house that was demolished on the property sat roughly 38' from the center line of Blondy Jhune road. The lot at about the midpoint where the house is proposed to sit is 147' deep. With required front and rear setbacks of 125'. Blondy Jhune road is a type C road. The lot in question also has considerable flood plain and is located on a curve on Blondy Jhune road.

The City's Code of Ordinances, Chapter 14, Article 3, Division 14.03.113 states the following:

- § 14.03.113 Principal dwelling regulations.
- (a) Size of yards.
- (1) Front yard. The building line adjacent to a street shall be established at seventy-five feet (75') from the centerline of the street right-of-way or street reflected as type C or D roadway on the master thoroughfare plan. (85' for type B, and 110' for type A). No required parking shall be allowed within the required front yard.
- (2) Side yard. The building line adjacent to the side property line(s) there shall be not less than ten percent (10%) of the lot width, or twenty feet (20'), whichever is less. No side yard for allowable nonresidential uses shall be less than twenty-five feet (25').
- (3) Rear yard. The building line adjacent to the rear property line shall be of not less than fifty feet (50').



City of Lucas Board of Adjustment Agenda Request March 26, 2025

Attachments/Supporting Documentation

- 1. Public Hearing Notice
- 2. Site Pictures
- 3. Location Map
- 4. Variance Application including Proposed Build

Budget/Financial Impact

NA

Recommendation

The lot has a legal hardship in the unique topography, existing floodplain, and existing lot depth on a legal lot of record. Staff would recommend approving the variance request with the following modification: Front yard setback 40', rear yard setback 30'.

Motion

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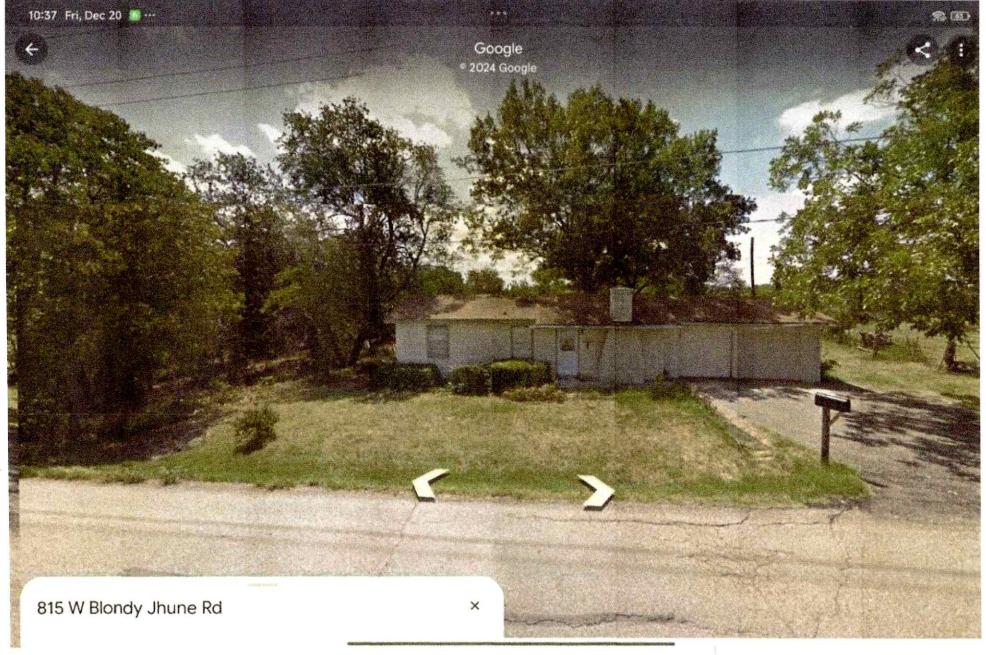
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Board of Adjustments, of the City of Lucas, Texas, will conduct a Public Hearing on Wednesday, March 26, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. at the Lucas City Hall, 665 Country Club, Lucas, Texas, for the purpose of hearing a request(s) submitted by:

An application submitted by Tim Bonner for a parcel of land, ABS A0506 JOHN W KERBY SURVEY, TRACT 51, being all of a 2.098-acre tract of land, otherwise known as 815 Blondy Jhune, Lucas, Texas. The applicant is requesting a variance from 14.03.113 Principal dwelling regulations. Reduction In the required front yard setback from 75' from the centerline of the road to 49.88'; he is also requesting a reduction in the rear yard setback from 50' to 20'.

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- (a) Size of yards.
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- (3) Rear yard. The building line adjacent to the rear property line shall be of not less than fifty feet (50').

Those wishing to speak FOR or AGAINST this variance are invited to attend. If you are unable to attend and have any comments you may send them to City Hall, Attention: City Secretary, Toshia Kimball, 665 Country Club Road, Lucas, Texas, 75002, email tkimball@lucastexas.us and it will be presented at the public hearing. If you have any questions about the above hearing, you may contact Development Services Director, Joe Hilbourn at jhilbourn@lucastexas.us.



ORIGINAL HOUSE THAT WAS ON THIS PROPERTY

Location Map

815 W Blondy Jhune



Bonner Associates

Constructors

737 S. R. L. Thornton Frwy. Dallas, TX. 75203 Ph (214) 946 1155 Fax (214) 946 1166

DATE: 2-19-2025

TO:

THE HONORABLE CITY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

CITY OF LUCAS, TEXAS

DEAR SIRS,

WE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST A BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT VARIANCE FROM THE STANDARD FRONT AND REAR YARD SETBACKS DUE TO SETBACK AND PROPERTY CONFIGURATION HARDSHIPS.

I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST A VARIANCE FROM THE SETBACK REQUIREMENTS AT 815 BLONDY JHUNE RD. LUCAS, TEXAS 75002.

THE REASON FOR THIS REQUEST IS DUE TO THE CURRENT CITY REQUIRED SETBACKS AND THE LOT CONFIGURATION.

THE USEABLE AREA OF THE LOT IS VERY LIMITED DUE TO THE FACT THAT IT IS NOT VERY DEEP, BUT IS VERY WIDE, THAT COUPLED WITH THE CURRENT REQUIRED SETBACKS, WILL NOT ALLOW US TO BUILD A CONVENTIONAL HOME ON THIS PROPERTY.

IN ORDER TO BUILD ON THE LOT WE REQUEST THE FOLLOWING ADJUSTMENT TO THE STANDARD SETBACKS:

- 1. REDUCE THE FRONT SETBACK LINE FROM 75' TO 49.88'
- 2. REDUCE THE REAR SETBACK LINE FROM 50' TO 20'

THE FRONT PROPERTY SETBACK IS REDUCED TO 49.88' TO ALLOW FOR THE GARAGE TO BE BUILT WITH A FUNCATIONAL SETBACK – AND THE GARAGE DOORS WILL NOT FACE THE STREET.

WE HAVE A WIDE CREEK ON THE BACK SIDE (SOUTH SIDE) OF THE PROPERTY. THE CLOSEST PROPERTY TO US IS ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE CREEK, THEREFORE THE REDUCTION OF THE SETBACK FROM 50' TO 20' DOES NOT IMPACT ANY OTHER PROPERTIES IN THE AREA.

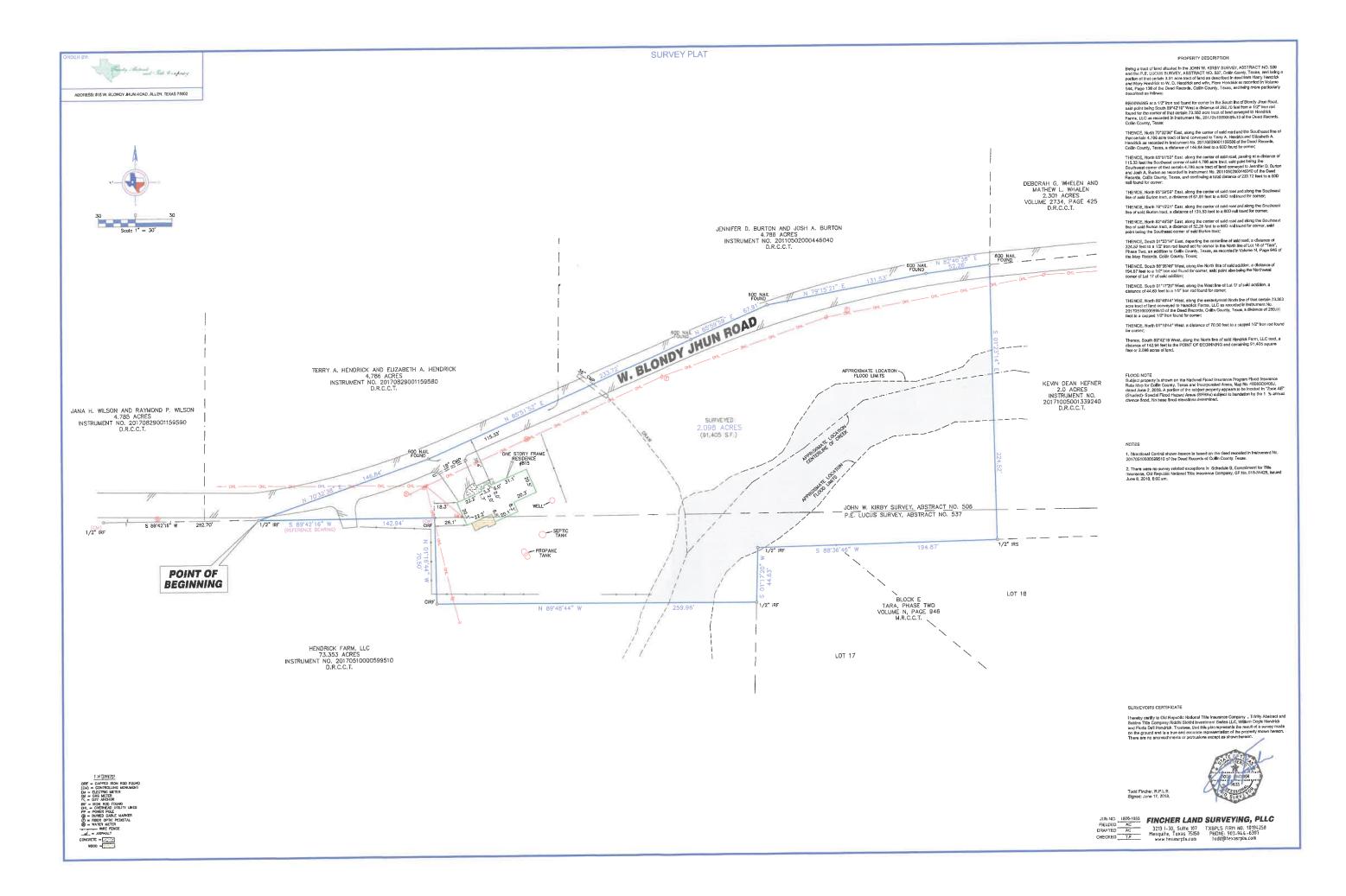
THE PROPOSED HOUSE IS A TWO STORY HOME AND A DETACHED 4 CAR GARAGE, THAT IS TWO STORY AS WELL.

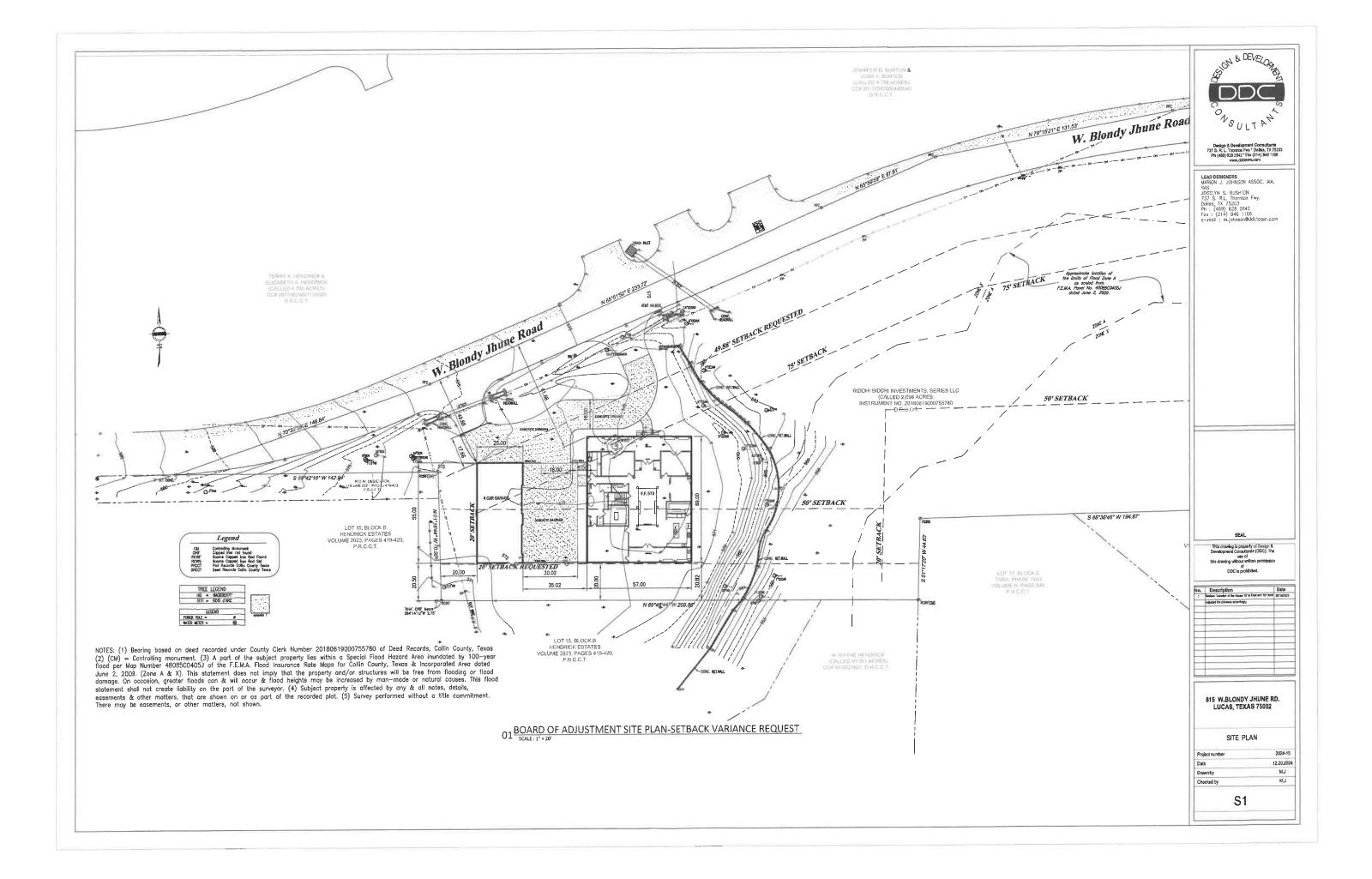
THE PLANS & ELEVATIONS ARE ATTACHED TO THIS REQUEST AS WELL FOR YOUR REVIEW. WE HAVE ALSO ATTACHED A PICTURE OF THE PREVIOUS HOME THAT WAS ON THIS PROPERTY AS WELL AS THE PREVIOUS SURVEY OF SHOWING THE LOCATION OF THAT HOME.

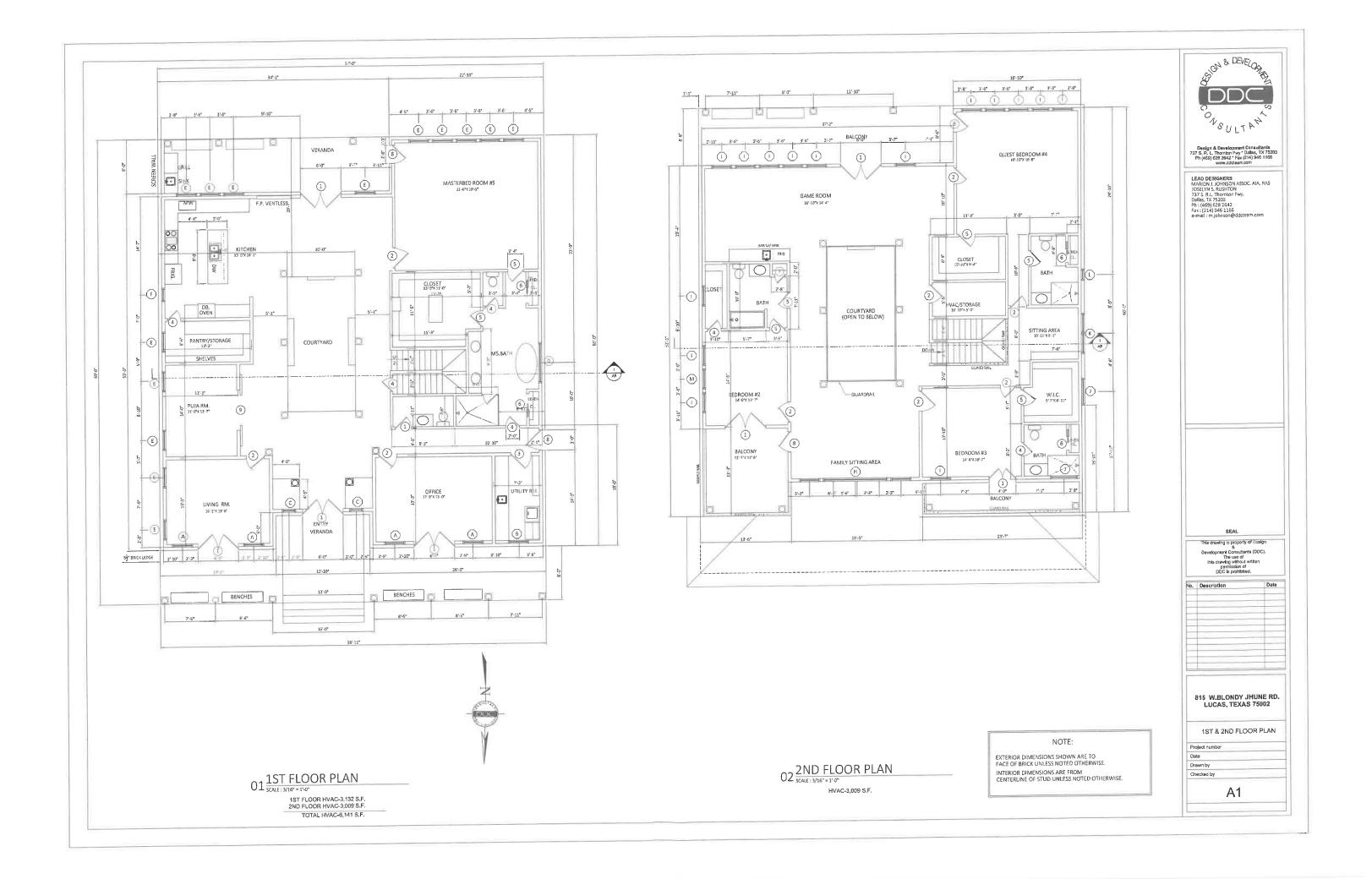
THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION IN THE MATTER.

SINCERELY, TIM BONNER

469-576-3982 CELL













City of Lucas Board of Adjustment Agenda Request March 26, 2025

Requester: Development Services Director Joe Hilbourn

Agenda Item Request

Conduct a public hearing and consider the request by Ronald Cooper, 1165 Sugar Bars Drive, Lucas, Texas, 75002. Mr. Cooper is requesting a variance from Code section § 14.04.304, 3A(iii). Requiring a minimum side yard setback of twenty feet (20'). Mr. Cooper is looking for a reduction in the side yard back from twenty feet (20') to six feet (6').

- A. Presentation by Joe Hilbourn
- B. Conduct public hearing
- C. Take action on the variance request

Background Information

The Board of Adjustment has received a request for a variance from the literal interpretation of the City of Lucas Code of Ordinances to allow a reduction in the in the side yard back from twenty feet (20') to six feet (6').

The City's Code of Ordinances, § 14.04.304 General accessory buildings and structures regulations state the following:

- (3) Setbacks.
- (A) Accessory buildings:
- (iii) Side yard setbacks: Accessory building and structures shall be twenty feet (20') unless the side yard is adjacent to a street. Side yards adjacent to a street shall meet the required side yard setbacks as the principal building or structure.

Before installing the shed Mr. Cooper called city hall and was told accurately that accessory buildings less than two hundred square feet do not require a permit if there is no plumbing or electric per code section:

R105.2 Work exempt from permit.

Exemption from permit requirements of this code shall not be deemed to grant authorization for any work to be done in any manner in violation of the provisions of this code or any other laws or ordinances of this jurisdiction. Permits shall not be required for the following:

Building:

1. One-story detached accessory structures, provided that the floor area does not exceed 200 square feet (18.58 m²).

Mr. Cooper did not realize that R105.2 did not exempt him from zoning regulations or the required setbacks. He placed the shed in what he felt was the best spot, he has a very odd shaped lot. His neighbor complained to Mr. Cooper that he felt the shed was too close to the property line, Mr. Cooper investigated, came down to the city and asked to apply for a variance when he realized he was in the wrong.



City of Lucas Board of Adjustment Agenda Request March 26, 2025

Attachments/Supporting Documentation

- 1. Public Hearing Notice
- 2. Site Pictures
- 3. Location Map
- 4. Variance Application including Proposed Build

Budget/Financial Impact

NA

Recommendation

N/A

Motion

I make a motion to approve/deny the request by Ronald Cooper, 1165 Sugar Bars Drive, Lucas, Texas, 75002. Mr. Cooper is requesting a variance from Code section § 14.04.304, 3A(iii). Requiring a minimum side yard setback of twenty feet (20'). Mr. Cooper is looking for a reduction in the side yard back from twenty feet (20') to six feet (6').



PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Adjustments, of the City of Lucas, Texas, will conduct a Public Hearing on Wednesday, March 26, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. at the Lucas City Hall, 665 Country Club, Lucas, Texas, for the purpose of hearing a request(s) submitted by:

Ronald Cooper, 1165 Sugar Bars Drive, Lucas, Texas, 75002. Mr. Cooper is requesting a variance from Code section § 14.04.304, 3(iii). Requiring a minimum side yard setback of twenty feet (20'). Mr. Cooper is looking for a reduction in the side yard back from twenty feet (20') to six feet (6').

(iii) Side yard setbacks: Accessory building and structures shall be twenty feet (20') unless the side yard is adjacent to a street. Side yards adjacent to a street shall meet the required side yard setbacks as the principal building or structure.

Those wishing to speak FOR or AGAINST this variance are invited to attend. If you are unable to attend and have any comments you may send them to City Hall, Attention: City Secretary, Toshia Kimball, 665 Country Club Road, Lucas, Texas, 75002, email tkimball@lucastexas.us and it will be presented at the public hearing. If you have any questions about the above hearing, you may contact Development Services Director, Joe Hilbourn at jhilbourn@lucastexas.us.



Location Map 1165 Sugar Bars Dr.



APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT CITY OF LUCAS, TEXAS

DATE: <u>2/4/2025</u>	FEE: <u>\$</u>	6450.00	APPEAL#_			
SUBMITTED BY:	Name_ Ronald Cooper					
	Address 1165 Sugar Ba	ars Dr				
	City <u>Lucas</u>		State	TX	_Zip_	<u>75002</u>
	Phone <u>804-986-8287</u>					
FILING DEADLINE: An appeal shall be filed with the Board within ten (10) days after the date of decision of the Enforcing Officer. Every appeal shall be filed with the City Secretary no later than fifteen (15) days prior to the scheduled Board meeting. When the filing deadline falls on a holiday, the following workday shall be observed as the filing deadline.						
TYPES OF APPEALS: Please check the type of appeal you are filing. The Board shall consider two types of appeals authorized under Article 1011G, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as amended:						
1. For a special exception for use or development of property on which the Board is required to act. _X 2. For a variance from the literal enforcement of the Ordinance in order to achieve a reasonable development of property.						
BRIEFLY DESCRIB	E YOUR APPEAL:					
I had a 10x12 ft shed installed on a concrete slab in my backyard that was placed within the 20 ft build line next to my neighbor. This was inadvertently done as I checked code <i>R105.2- Work exempt from permit</i> that exempts "One-story detached accessory structures, provided that the floor area does not exceed 200 sqft" and believed that my shed's size made it exempt to internal setback ordinances next to another lot.						
I am on a corner lot that is oddly shaped with most of my yard being a drainage easement for the city. The easement created\s a high sloped grade for my backyard which also takes away from potential areas to pour a slab without creating excessive pooling of rainwater. The build lines would have forced the shed to be constructed in the middle of my backyard which would leave me unable to utilize the yard for recreation. To compound the issue, the aerobic septic lines and sprinklers cover almost the entirety of the backyard aside from where the shed is currently located.						
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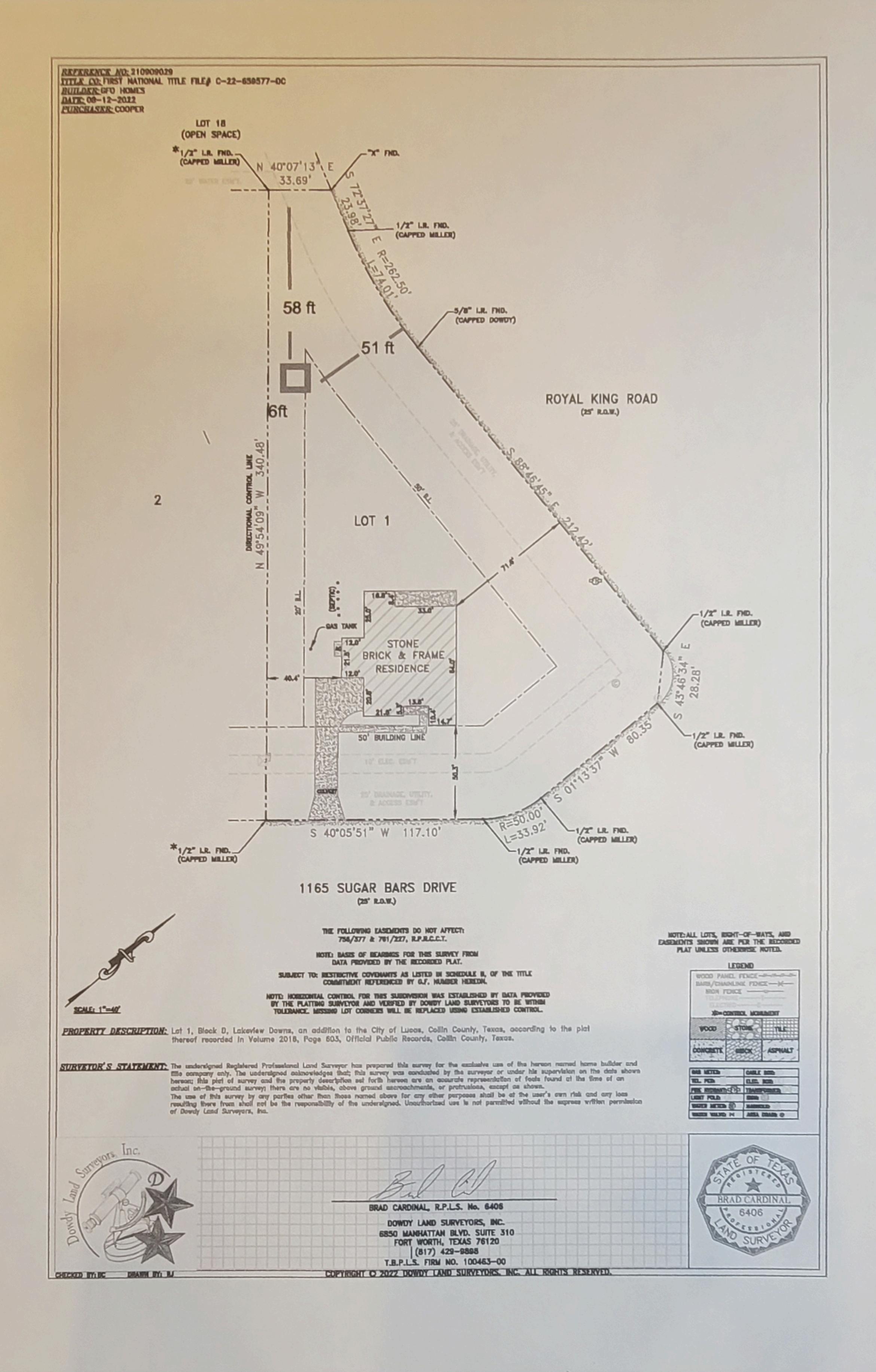
PLEASE NOTE: Contact City Secretary for proper filing procedures. If applicant fails to appear without notice, the Board may require the applicant to re-file appeal.

EXPIRATION OF GRANDTED APPEAL: Approval of any appeal shall expire 90 days after the Board's decision unless authorized construction or occupancy permits have been obtained, or unless a greater time is requested in the application and is authorized by the Board. Any approval may be granted one extension of an additional 90 days on written request filed with the Board before expiration of original approval. The time limit for every granted appeal shall commence on the first day of the month succeeding the month in which the Board renders its decision.

	SIGNATURE OF PERSON FILING FOR APPEAL:
DECISION OF BOARD	DATE
If not granted by the Board, state reason why.	
	Chairman

CITY SECRETARY CHECK LIST BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT APPLICATIONS FOR VARIANCE

	DATE
APPLICATION FILLED OUT	
FEE COLLECTED - \$450.00	
SET DATE FOR HEARING	
PUBLISH NOTICE (10 DAYS PRIOR TO HEARING DATE)	-
NOTIFY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEMBERS (MEMO)	
NOTIFY APPROPRIATE CITY STAFF & COUNCIL LAISON PERSON	
PREPARE & SEND MEETING AGENDA, LAST MEETING MINUTES & APPEAL BACK-UP INFO TO MEMBERS	_
NOTIFY ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS & APPLICANT	
POST AGENDA 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE	
HOLD HEARING	
ADVISE APPROPRIATE PARTIES OF RESULTS	-
PREPARE MINUTES	







Motion

City of Lucas Board of Adjustment Agenda Request March 26, 2025

Requester: City Secretary Toshia Kimball

Agenda Item Request

Consider approval of the minutes of the January 22, 2025, Board of Adjustment meeting.

Background Information

NA

Attachments/Supporting Documentation

1. January 22, 2025, Board of Adjustment meeting minutes.

Budget/Financial Impact

NA

Recommendation

I make a motion to approve/deny the minutes of the January 22, 2025, Board of Adjustment meeting.



MINUTES

Joint Meeting
Board of Adjustment and
Building and Standards Commission and
Regular Meeting of
Board of Adjustment

January 22, 2025 | 6:30 PM Council Chambers City Hall | 665 Country Club Road, Lucas, Texas

Call to Order

Member Brenda Rizos called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm. It was determined that a quorum was present. Chair Redman arrived at 6:40 pm.

Members Present:

Chair Tom Redman Member Brenda Rizos Member Charles Corporon Member Rebecca Orr Alternate Member 1 Paula Walker Alternate Member 2 Richard Schertz

Members Absent:

Member Sean Watts

Staff Present:

City Manager John Whitsell Communication and Event Specialist Donna Bradshaw Development Services Director Joe Hilbourn Assistant City Attorney Courtney Morris

City Council Members Present:

Councilmember Tim Johnson

Workshop Agenda

1. Provide training for the Building and Standards Commission members and refresher for the existing members.

Assistant City Attorney Courtney Morris conducted the training.

2. Provide training for the Board of Adjustment members and refresher for the existing members.

Assistant City Attorney Courtney Morris conducted the training.

3. Adjourn joint meeting

MOTION: A motion was made by Chair Redman, seconded by Alternate Member Schertz to

adjourn the joint meeting of the Board of Adjustments and Building Standards

Commission meeting. The motion passed unanimously by a 6 to 0 vote.

Chair Redman adjourned the meeting at 8:08 pm.

Chair Redman opened the Board of Adjustment meeting at 8:09 pm.

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Public Hearing Agenda

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 - a. Presentation by Joe Hilbourn
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Director of Development Services Joe Hilbourn stated that the applicant has asked to be moved from the agenda in writing.

Chair Redman stated that the public hearing was cancelled.

Regular Agenda

3. Consider approval of the minutes of the December 18, 2024, Board of Adjustment meeting.

MOTION:

A motion was made by Member Rizos, seconded by Member Corporon to approve the meeting minutes of the December 18, 2024, Board of Adjustment meeting. The motion passed unanimously by a 6 to 0 vote.

4. Adjournment.

MOTION:	A motion was made by Member Rizos, seconded by Member Corporon to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 pm. The motion passed unanimously by a 6 to 0 vote.			
 Tom Redman	, Chairman	Toshia Kimball, City Secretary		