

Zoning Board of Adjustments and Appeals Meeting Agenda

July 2, 2024 9:00 a.m. in the Lakeland Electric Building Rooms 1A/B

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The Zoning Board of Adjustments and Appeals will convene for its regular meeting for the purpose of hearing and acting upon the following:

ITEM 1: Call to Order

ITEM 2:	Roll Call
ITEM 3:	Approval of minutes from the June meeting
ITEM 4:	City Attorney explains purpose and authority of the Board
ITEM 5:	Roger Grafton requests a 12' variance to allow a rear setback of 8', in lieu of the 20' minimum rear setback for principal structures specified by the PUD (Planned Unit Development) zoning for the Sandpiper Golf & Country Club Phase 13 in order to construct a hard-roofed screen room on property located at 1054 Canary Circle S. (VAR24-007)
ITEM 6:	Nancy and Pasquale Bianchino requests a 6' variance to allow a rear setback of 9', in lieu of the 15' minimum rear setback for principal structures specified by the PUD (Planned Unit Development) zoning for the Sandpiper Golf & Country Club in order to construct a hard-roofed screen room on property located at 5903 Cormorant Court. (VAR24-008)
ITEM 7:	Unfinished Business
ITEM 8:	New Business

ITEM 9: Adjournment

The Zoning Board of Adjustments and Appeals met in Regular Session on Tuesday, June 4, 2024 in the Lakeland Electric Building, Room 1A/B, located at 501 E. Lemon Street.

Present were Board Members Thomas Brawner, Jiwa Farrell, Judith Hatfield, Gregory Kent, Tunesia Mayweather, and Daniel Sharrett. Also present were Ramona Sirianni, Assistant City Attorney; and staff from the Community & Economic Development Department: Todd Vargo, Senior Planner and Christelle Burrola, Board Secretary.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved as submitted, and Ms. Sirianni explained the purpose and authority of the Board and the necessity of providing a hardship or uniqueness for the Board to consider and/or grant a variance. Anyone planning to present testimony was sworn in and everyone gave affirmative responses.

Item 6: Marcobay Construction, Inc. a 14' variance to allow a rear setback of 6', in lieu of the 20' minimum setback specified by Table 3.4-2 of the Land Development Code, in order to construct a new workshop on property located at 1910 Harden Boulevard. (VAR24-005)

Jesse Larson, 1910 Harden Boulevard, representing the applicant, was present in support of the request.

Todd Vargo stated the subject property has a C-2 (Highway Commercial) zoning classification and a future land use designation of Mixed Commercial Corridor (MCC). The applicant proposes to construct a 15 x 30 foot workshop to the rear of the existing structure. To accommodate the proposed workshop, the applicant requests a 14-foot variance to allow a 6-foot setback from the rear (eastern) property line.

Mr. Vargo pointed to photos on the overhead screen of the subject property.

Mr. Vargo stated no public comment was received regarding the request and staff recommends approval.

Jiwa Farrell made a motion to approve staff's recommendation. Judith Hatfield seconded the motion and it passed 6–0.

Adjourned

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11 a.m.

Gregory Kent, Chairperson

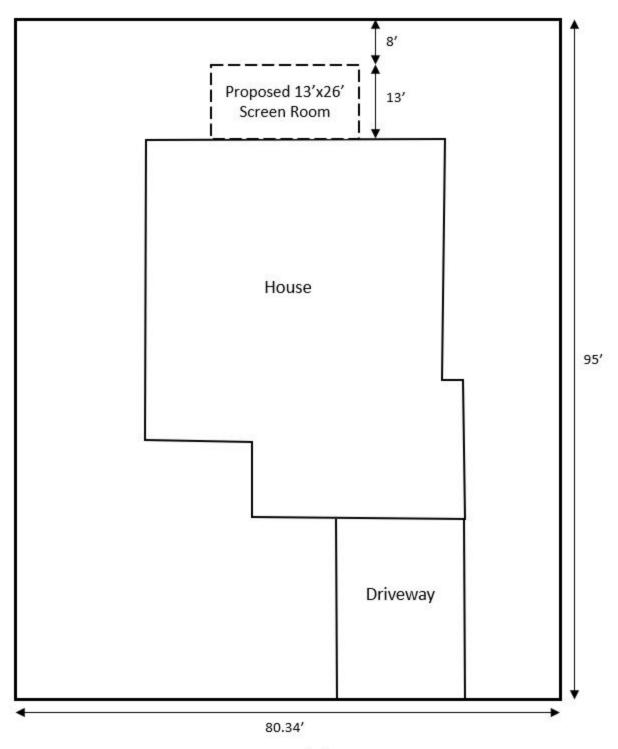
Christelle Burrola, Secretary



Variance Application

General Information:						
No:	VAR24-007	VAR24-007 Application Date: 5/9/202				
Name: S	Screen Room					
Property Address: 10	1054 CANARY CIR S					
Parcel ID: 242720161740001850						
Applicant Name: Roger Grafton						
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Request:					
Application Type:		Variance			
Current					
Zoning:	(PUD) 3551 C Planned Unit Development		Context:	Suburban Neighborhood (SNH)	
Lot Dimensions:		80 x 95	Square Footage:	7,841	
Present Use:					
Explanation of Request:	Screen Room 12 x 24				
Justification:	Water run off				



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RE: Variance Request - Project No. VAR24-007

Dear Property Owner:

This notice is to advise you that Roger Grafton requests request a 12' variance to allow a rear setback of 8', in lieu of the 20' minimum rear setback for principal structures specified by the PUD (Planned Unit Development) zoning for the Sandpiper Golf & Country Club Phase 13 in order to construct a hard-roofed screen room on property located at 1054 Canary Circle S. The subject property is legally described as:

SANDPIPER GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB PHASE 13 PB 93 PGS 19 & 20 LOT 185. (A COMPLETE LEGAL DESCRIPTION IS AVAILABLE IN THE COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.)

The public hearing to consider this request will be held before the Lakeland Zoning Board of Adjustments and Appeals at **9:00 a.m. on 7/2/2024** in the Lakeland Electric Building rooms 1A/B, 501 E. Lemon Street. As an owner of property located in proximity to the subject property, as indicated on the attached map, you will be given an opportunity to express your opinion at the public hearing. You may also submit your views to the Community & Economic Development Department by including your name, address, and the project number via email to planning@lakelandgov.net, prior to the meeting date.

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Community and Economic Development Staff Recommendation for ZBAA

ZBAA Hearing	7/2/2024	Reviewer:	Todd Vargo		
Project No:	VAR24-007	Subject Property:	1054 Canary Circle S		
Owner:	Roger Grafton				
Applicant:	Roger Grafton				
Current Zoning:	PUD (Planned Unit Development) 3551C		Context District	Suburban Neighborhood (SNH)	
Request:	A 12' variance to allow a rear setback of 8', in lieu of the 20' minimum rear setback for principal structures specified by the PUD (Planned Unit Development) zoning for the Sandpiper Golf & Country Club Phase 13 in order to construct a hard-roofed screen room on property located at 1054 Canary Circle S.				

1.0 Background

The subject property consists of an approximate 0.18-acre (80' wide by 95' deep) lot within the Sandpiper Golf and Country Club Phase 13 subdivision. According to information obtained from the Polk County Property Appraiser, the subject property contains a 2,653 square foot single-family home constructed in 1998. The property is zoned PUD (Planned Unit Development) and is located within the Suburban Neighborhood (SNH) context district.

2.0 Discussion

The purpose of this request is to obtain relief from the rear yard setback requirements to allow for the construction of a 13' x 26' (338 square foot) hard-roofed screen room addition at the rear of the home. Screen rooms are a common feature on homes in Florida and are generally located within the rear yard area. Screen rooms with hard roofs, such as composite panels, are considered additions rather than accessory structures and are subject to the setback requirements for principal structures.

Within the overall Sandpiper development, lots are relatively shallow in depth, limiting the ability to construct screen rooms/enclosures in rear yards. In accordance with the standards for Planned Unit Development (PUD) 3551C, the minimum rear yard setback for principal structures is 20 feet. The proposed screen room will be set back a minimum of 8 feet from the rear property line. The hardship suffered by the applicant is related to shallow lot depth and placement of the existing home on the lot. Several similar variances for screen rooms/enclosures have been granted to other lots within the overall Sandpiper subdivision over the years.

3.0 Recommendation

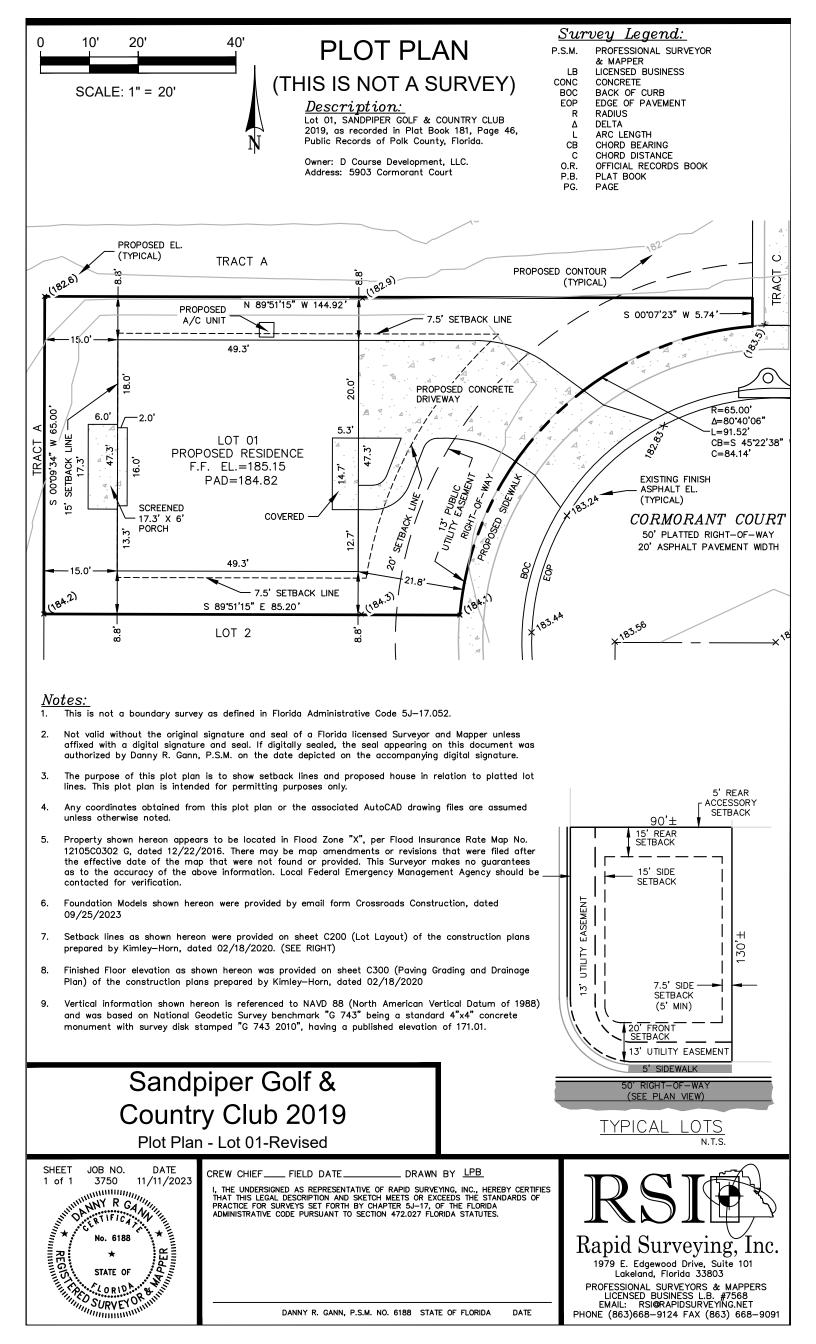
The primary hardship suffered by the applicant is related to size of the lot and placement of the dwelling on the lot and is not the result of any action taken by the applicant. The requested relief is the minimum amount necessary to accommodate the proposed screen room and approval would not be contrary to public interest. Provided there are no substantive objections from adjacent property owners, staff recommends the requested variance be considered for approval.



General Information:						
Project No:	VAR24-008 Application Date: 5/23/2024					
Project Name:	5903 CORMORANT CT Screen Room					
Subject Property Address: 5903 CORMORANT CT						
Parcel ID:	242719161368000010					
Applicant Name:	Applicant Name: NANCY BIANCHINO					
Applicant Address:	5903 CORMORANT CT LAKELAND FL 33809					
Owner Name:	BIANCHINO PASQUALE					
Owner Address:	6260 SILVER LAKES DR E LAKELAND FL 33810					

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Request:				
Application Typ	e: Variance			
Current				
Zoning:	PUD 5705	Context:	Suburban Neighborhood	
Lot Dimensions:	65 X 145	Square Footage:	6,774	
Present Use:				
Explanation of Request:	17 x 6 screen enclosure with an insulated aluminum roof, we would like a variance to change for the 15' rear setback to a 9 foot rear setback to accommodate this structure			
Justification:	Disabled Veteran who needs shade to comfortably sit outside. This lot has no rear neighbor.			





VAR24-008 5903 Cormorant Ct Parcel ID: 242719161368000010 2023 Aerial Imagery





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RE: Variance Request - Project No. VAR24-008

Dear Property Owner:

This notice is to advise you that Nancy & Pasquale Bianchino request a 6' variance to allow a rear setback of 9', in lieu of the 15' minimum rear setback for principal structures specified by the PUD (Planned Unit Development) zoning for the Sandpiper Golf & Country Club in order to construct a hard-roofed screen room on property located at 5903 Cormorant Court. The subject property is legally described as:

SANDPIPER GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB 2019 PB 181 PG 46-48 LOT 1. (A COMPLETE LEGAL DESCRIPTION IS AVAILABLE IN THE COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.)

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Community and Economic Development Staff Recommendation for ZBAA

ZBAA Hearing	7/2/2024 Reviewer:		Audrey McGuire		
Project No:	VAR24-008	Subject Property:	5903 Cormorant Court		
Owner:	Nancy and Pasquale Bianchino				
Applicant:	Nancy and Pasquale Bianchino				
Current Zoning:	PUD (Planned L 5705	Init Development)	Context District	Suburban Neighborhood (SNH)	
Request:	A 6' variance to allow a rear setback of 9', in lieu of the 15' minimum rear setback for principal structures specified by the PUD (Planned Unit Development) zoning for the Sandpiper Golf & Country Club in order to construct a hard-roofed screen room on property located at 5903 Cormorant Court.				

1.0 Background

The subject property consists of an approximate 0.15-acre lot (65' wide by 85.2' deep) within the Sandpiper Golf and Country Club Subdivision. A 2,305 square foot single-family home is currently under construction. The property is zoned PUD (Planned Unit Development) and is located within the Suburban Neighborhood (SNH) context district.

2.0 Discussion

The purpose of this request is to obtain relief from the rear yard setback requirements to allow for the construction of a 17' x 6' (102 square foot) hard-roofed screen room addition at the rear of the home. Screen rooms are common features on homes in Florida and are generally located within the rear yard area. Screen rooms with hard roofs are considered additions to the principal structure rather than accessory structures and are subject to the setback requirements for principal structures.

In accordance with Planned Unit Development (PUD) 5705, the required rear yard setback for principal structures is 15 feet. Per the plot plan, the home will be set back 15 feet from the rear property line and the proposed screen room will be set back 9 feet.

Within Sandpiper, lots are relatively shallow in depth and variances have previously been granted for hardroofed screen rooms when a property is adjacent to a golf course, drainage feature or perimeter boundary. The rear yard of the subject property abuts a perimeter landscape buffer and beyond the landscape buffer is Socrum Loop Road, so there are no impacts to other Sandpiper residents. The hardship suffered by the applicant is related to the relatively small size of lots within the Sandpiper development.

3.0 Recommendation

The primary hardship suffered by the applicants is related to the size of the lot and is not the result of any action taken by the applicant. The requested relief is the minimum amount necessary to accommodate the proposed screen room and approval would not be contrary to public interest. Provided there are no substantive objections from adjacent property owners, staff recommends the requested variance be considered for approval.