# ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT, PANEL B WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 2016 AGENDA

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	Donna Moorman, Chief Planner Steve Long, Board Administrator	
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#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION NOTICE**

The Commission/Board may hold a closed executive session regarding any item on this agenda when:

- 1. seeking the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or any matter in which the duty of the attorney to the Commission/Board under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.071]
- 2. deliberating the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.072]
- 3. deliberating a negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation to the city if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.073]
- 4. deliberating the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a compliant or charge against an officer or employee unless the officer or employee who is the subject of the deliberation or hearing requests a public hearing. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.074]
- 5. deliberating the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.076]
- 6. discussing or deliberating commercial or financial information that the city has received from a business prospect that the city seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the city and with which the city is conducting economic development negotiations; or deliberating the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.086]

**FILE NUMBER**: BDA156-028(SL)

BUILDING OFFICIAL'S REPORT: Application of Jerry Dieker, represented by Steve Gibson, for special exceptions to the landscape and alley access restriction regulations, and a variance to the off-street parking screening regulations at 1212 Tavaros Avenue. This property is more fully described as Lot 1, Block B/5284, and is zoned CR, which requires mandatory landscaping, restricts residential alley access, and requires screening of off-street parking. The applicant proposes to construct and maintain a structure and provide an alternate landscape plan, which will require a special exception to the landscape regulations, with alley access where a person may use a public alley or access easement that abuts or is in an R(A) district for the purpose of delivering or receiving any goods or services to or from a nonresidential use in a nonresidential district between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m., which will require a special exception to residential alley access restriction regulations, and omit the screening required to separate the parking area from a contiguous residential use or vacant lot if either is in an R(A) district and the parking area serves a nonresidential use, which will require a variance to the off-street parking regulations.

**LOCATION**: 1212 Tavaros Avenue

**APPLICANT:** Jerry Dieker

Represented by Steve Gibson

# REQUESTS:

The following requests are made on a site that is undeveloped:

- A special exception to the landscape regulations is made to construct and maintain an approximately 1,600 square foot office use/structure on the lot, and not fully provide required landscaping;
- 2. A special exception to the alley access restriction regulations is made to construct and maintain the aforementioned office use/structure on the lot, and not fully meet the residential ally access restrictions for residential uses regulations, more specifically allowing the delivery and receiving of goods and services to and from the proposed office use on the site from the alley into the site from Tavaros Avenue that is adjacent to R-7.5(A) zoning to the south and used as surface parking lot between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m.; and
- 3. A variance to the off-street parking regulations, more specifically the screening provisions for off-street parking, is made to construct and maintain the aforementioned office use/structure on the lot, and not fully meet the screening for off-street parking regulations.

# STANDARD FOR A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO THE LANDSCAPE AND TREE PRESERVATION REGULATIONS:

The board of adjustment may grant a special exception to the landscape and tree preservation regulations of this article upon making a special finding from the evidence presented that:

- (1) strict compliance with the requirements of this article will unreasonably burden the use of the property;
- (2) the special exception will not adversely affect neighboring property; and
- (3) the requirements are not imposed by a site-specific landscape plan approved by the city plan commission or city council.

In determining whether to grant a special exception, the Board shall consider the following factors:

- the extent to which there is residential adjacency;
- the topography of the site;
- the extent to which landscaping exists for which no credit is given under this article;
   and
- the extent to which other existing or proposed amenities will compensate for the reduction of landscaping.

# STANDARD FOR A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO THE RESIDENTIAL ALLEY ACCESS RESTRICTIONS FOR NONRESIDENTIAL USES REGULATIONS:

The board of adjustment may grant a special exception to the alley access restriction if the board finds, based on evidence presented at a public hearing, that strict compliance with the restriction would result in the material and substantial impairment of access to the property as a whole. In determining whether access would be materially and substantially impaired, the board shall consider the following factors:

- (A) The extent to which access to the restricted alley between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. is essential to the normal operation of the use or uses to which the special exception would apply.
- (B) The extent to which the property as a whole has reasonable access to other public streets, alleys, or access easements in addition to the restricted alley.
- (C) The extent to which strict compliance with the alley access restriction will necessarily have the effect of substantially reducing the market value of the property.

In granting a special exception under this subsection, the board shall:

- (A) specify the use or uses to which the special exception applies; and
- (B) establish a termination date for the special exception, which may not be later than five years after the date of the board's decision.

In granting a special exception under this subsection, the board may:

- (A) authorize alley access only during certain hours; or
- (B) impose any other reasonable condition that would further the purpose and intent of the alley access restriction.

Notwithstanding any of the above, a special exception granted by the board under this subsection for a particular use automatically and immediately terminates if and when that use is changed or discontinued.

# **STANDARD FOR A VARIANCE**:

The Dallas Development Code specifies that the board has the power to grant variances from the front yard, side yard, rear yard, lot width, lot depth, coverage, floor area for structures accessory to single family uses, height, minimum sidewalks, offstreet parking or off-street loading, or landscape regulations provided that the variance is:

- (A) not contrary to the public interest when, owing to special conditions, a literal enforcement of this chapter would result in unnecessary hardship, and so that the spirit of the ordinance will be observed and substantial justice done;
- (B) necessary to permit development of a specific parcel of land that differs from other parcels of land by being of such a restrictive area, shape, or slope, that it cannot be developed in a manner commensurate with the development upon other parcels of land with the same zoning; and
- (C) not granted to relieve a self-created or personal hardship, nor for financial reasons only, nor to permit any person a privilege in developing a parcel of land not permitted by this chapter to other parcels of land with the same zoning.

# STAFF RECOMMENDATION (landscape special exception):

#### Denial

#### Rationale:

- The Chief Arborist had recommended denial of the request, specifically stating that if authority is given to provide the ingress and egress to the property through the alley, it is demonstrated by the submitted landscape plan the property does have sufficient landscape area, with adjacent parkway space, to meet the minimum planting conditions for the required landscaping.
- Staff had concluded that the applicant had not substantiated how strict compliance with the requirements of this article will unreasonably burden the use of the property; and that the special exception will not adversely affect neighboring property.

# STAFF RECOMMENDATION (alley access restriction special exception):

Approval, subject to the following conditions:

- The special exception applies and is limited to an office use on the subject site, and shall automatically and immediately terminate if and when the office use on the site is changed or discontinued.
- 2. This special exception shall terminate on April 20, 2021.

## Rationale:

 The Sustainable Development and Construction Department Project Engineer submitted a review comment sheet marked "Has no objections."

# STAFF RECOMMENDATION (screening of off-street parking variance):

Approval, subject to the following condition:

• Compliance with the submitted site plan is required.

# Rationale:

Staff had concluded that the subject site is unique and different given its restrictive
area of only approximately 5,000 square feet in area and 40' in width. The physical
site constraint of the subject site precludes the applicant from developing it in a
manner commensurate with the development of other parcels of land in the same
CR zoning district that are typically larger in size.

# **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

# **Zoning:**

Site: CR (Community Retail)

North: MF-1(A) (Multifamily residential)

South: R-7.5(A) (Single family residential 7,500-square feet)

East: CR (Community Retail) and R-7.5(A) (Single family residential 7,500-square

feet)

West: CR (Community Retail) and R-7.5(A) (Single family residential 7,500-square

feet)

# Land Use:

The subject site is undeveloped. The area to the north is developed with a general merchandise or food store and a multifamily complex. The area to the east is developed with auto service centers and personal service/retail uses. The area to the south is developed with parking lots, a church, and single family residential uses. The area to the west is developed with office uses, an auto service center, and undeveloped land.

# **Zoning/BDA History**:

1. BDA145-093, Property at 1212 Tavaros Avenue (the subject site)

On September 23, 2015, the Board of Adjustment Panel B granted a request to variance to the side yard setback regulations of 10 feet. The board imposed the following conditions: compliance with the submitted site plan/elevation is required.

The case report stated that the request was made to construct and maintain a  $\pm 1,620$ -square feet, nonresidential structure, part of which is located 10' into the 20' side yard setback at the southern border of the property.

# **GENERAL FACTS/STAFF ANALYSIS (landscape special exception)**:

- This request focuses on developing the site with an office use/structure and not fully
  meeting the landscape regulations, more specifically not providing under current
  conditions where vehicular alley access to the property is prohibited not enough
  permeable coverage in the required buffer strip, and the required number of trees,
  mandatory buffer plant materials, and design standards.
- The Dallas Development Code requires full compliance with the landscape regulations when nonpermeable coverage on a lot or tract is increased by more than 2,000 square feet, or when work on an application is made for a building permit for construction work that increases the number of stories in a building on the lot, or increases by more than 35 percent or 10,000 square feet, whichever is less, the combined floor areas of all buildings on the lot within a 24-month period.
- The City of Dallas Chief Arborist submitted a memo regarding the applicant's request (see Attachment A). The memo states how this request is triggered by a new construction.
- The Chief Arborist's memo lists the following factors for consideration:
  - 1. Under Article X, a perimeter landscape buffer strip must be provided along the entire length of the perimeter of the lot where a residential adjacency exists, exclusive of driveways and accessways at points of ingress and egress to and from the lot. The buffer strip must be at least 10 feet wide, except that any portion of the buffer strip in the front yard and adjacent to the side lot line need not exceed 10 percent of the lot width. On this property, shown as driveway, this side area of the front yard would be a minimum of 4 feet in width based on the 40' width of the lot.
  - If it is determined by administrative action, the vehicular access may be provided via the alley, driveways will be considered as points of ingress and egress, and that nonpermeable area on the property will be excluded from the perimeter landscape buffer strip requirement.
  - 3. The plan identifies a large tree at the rear of the property is on the adjacent lot and abutting an existing structure. A minimal area of permeable area is to be retained around the tree on this building site. The area must be kept permeable for the duration of the life of the tree.
  - 4. Two new street trees are provided along Tavaros Avenue. The area is restrictive in space, but appear to have the minimum soil area requirements for the trees. The trees must meet the minimum planting requirements of Article X and be planted not closer than two and one-half feet to the pavement.
- The City of Dallas Chief Arborist recommends denial of the proposed alternative landscape plan because he does not believe that strict compliance with the requirements of this article will unreasonably burden the use of the property. If authority is given to provide the ingress and egress to the property through the alley, it is demonstrated by this plan the property does have sufficient landscape area, with adjacent parkway space, to meet the minimum planting conditions for the required landscaping. In making proper species selection and wise use of the very limited landscape area, the Chief Arborist believes the site can accommodate 2 street trees,

4 site trees, screening of off-street parking (either by shrub or screening fence), and the foundation planting. The 10-feet wide perimeter buffer strip can provide for a combination of large trees and large shrubs, and/or small trees, to meet compliance with the required buffer plant materials. The Chief Arborist states that if the Board chooses to support the plan, he recommends compliance with the alternative landscape plan is required with condition of full compliance with the General Division (10.100) of Article X.

- The applicant has the burden of proof in establishing the following:
  - Strict compliance with the requirements of the landscape regulations of the Dallas Development Code will unreasonably burden the use of the property; and the special exception will not adversely affect neighboring property.
- If the Board were to grant this request and impose the submitted landscape plan as a condition to the request, the site would be provided exception from full compliance with the providing the required amount of permeable coverage in the required buffer strip, number of trees, mandatory buffer plant materials, and design standards on the subject site.

# **GENERAL FACTS/STAFF ANALYSIS (alley access restriction special exception)**:

- This request focuses on developing the site with an office use/structure and not fully meeting the residential ally access restrictions for residential uses regulations, more specifically, allowing the delivery and receiving of goods and services to and from the proposed office use on the site from the alley into the site from Tavaros Avenue that is adjacent to R-7.5(A) zoning to the south and used as surface parking lot between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m..
- The Dallas Development Code provides the following provisions regarding residential alley access restrictions for nonresidential uses:
  - 1. The following residential alley access restrictions are established in order to promote safety and protect the public from disturbances that interfere with the quiet enjoyment of residential properties. Between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m., no person may use a public alley or access easement that abuts or is in an R, R(A), D, D(A), TH, TH(A), or CH district for the purpose of delivering or receiving any goods or services to or from a nonresidential use in a nonresidential district. It is a defense to prosecution under this paragraph that the person is:
    - (A) a governmental entity;
    - (B) a communications or utility company, whether publicly or privately owned; or
    - (C) the operator of an authorized emergency vehicle as defined in Section 541.201 of the Texas Transportation Code.
- The Sustainable Development and Construction Department Project Engineer submitted a review comment sheet marked "Has no objections."
- The applicant has the burden of proof in establishing the following:
  - that strict compliance with the restriction would result in the material and substantial impairment of access to the property as a whole.
- If the Board were to grant this request and impose the previously mentioned staff suggested conditions, the applicant could develop the site with the proposed office

use and be allowed the delivery and receiving of goods and services to and from it on the site from the alley into the site from Tavaros Avenue that is adjacent to R-7.5(A) zoning to the south and used as surface parking lot between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m.

# **GENERAL FACTS/STAFF ANALYSIS (screening of off-street parking variance):**

- This request focuses on constructing and maintaining an office use/structure and not fully meeting the off-street parking regulations, more specifically, the provisions related to the screening provisions for off-street parking.
- The Dallas Development Code states the following related to the screening of offstreet parking:
  - (1) The owner of off-street parking must provide screening to separate the parking area from:
    - (A) a contiguous residential use or vacant lot if either is in an A, A(A), R, R(A), D, D(A), TH, TH(A), CH, MF, MF(A), MH, or MH(A) district and the parking area serves a nonresidential use; or
    - (B) a contiguous single family or duplex use or a vacant lot if any of these are in an R, R(A), D, D(A), TH, TH(A), or CH district and the parking area serves a multifamily use.
  - (2) If an alley separates a parking area from another use, the use is considered contiguous to the parking area. If a street separates a parking area from another use, the use is not considered contiguous to the parking area.
- The Dallas Development Code states that the screening for off-street parking required under Subsection (f)(1) must be a brick, stone, or concrete masonry, stucco, concrete, or wood wall or fence that is not less than six feet in height. The wall or fence may not have more than ten square inches of open area for each square foot of surface area, and may not contain any openings or gates for vehicular access. The owner of off-street parking must maintain the screening in compliance with these standards.
- The applicant has submitted a site plan that indicates no screening to be provided between the off-street parking on the site and the property to the south across an alley zoned R-7.5(A) and used as a surface parking lot.
- According to DCAD records, there are "no improvements" for property addressed at 1212 Tavaros Avenue.
- The subject site is rectangular in shape (40'x 125'), 0.115 acres (or approximately 5,000 square feet) in area, and flat.
- Most lots in CR Community Retail Districts have one 15' front yard setback and, when not adjacent to or directly across an alley from an R, R(A), D, D(A), TH, TH(A), CH, MF, or MF(A) district, no minimum side or rear yard setbacks. When a lot is adjacent to or directly across from the above-referenced zoning districts, the minimum side yard and/or rear yard setback is 20'. This site has one 15' front yard setback, one 20' side yard setback at the property's southern border because it is directly across an alley from an R-7.5(A) zoning district, no minimum side yard setback towards the northern border of the property, and no minimum rear yard setback.

- Staff had noted at the time a request for a variance to the side yard setback regulations was made (and granted by the Board) in September of 2015, that the 40' wide subject site has approximately 20' of developable width available once a 20' side yard setback is accounted for on the south and a 0' side yard setback is accounted for on the north. If the lot were more typical to others in the same zoning district with no minimum side yard setbacks, the 40' wide site would have 40' of developable width.
- The applicant has the burden of proof in establishing the following:
  - That granting the variance to the off-street parking regulations will not be contrary to the public interest when, owing to special conditions, a literal enforcement of this chapter would result in unnecessary hardship, and so that the spirit of the ordinance will be observed and substantial justice done.
  - The variance is necessary to permit development of the subject site that differs from other parcels of land by being of such a restrictive area, shape, or slope, that the subject site cannot be developed in a manner commensurate with the development upon other parcels of land in districts with the same CR zoning classification.
  - The variance would not be granted to relieve a self-created or personal hardship, nor for financial reasons only, nor to permit any person a privilege in developing this parcel of land (the subject site) not permitted by this chapter to other parcels of land in districts with the same CR zoning classification.
- If the Board were to grant the variance request, and impose the submitted site plan as a condition, the applicant could develop the site with the office use with no screening to be provided between the off-street parking on the site and the property to the south across an alley zoned R-7.5(A) and used as a surface parking lot.

# Timeline:

January 29, 2016: The applicant submitted an "Application/Appeal to the Board of

Adjustment" and related documents which have been included as

part of this case report.

March 15, 2016: The Board of Adjustment Secretary assigned this case to Board of

Adjustment Panel B. This assignment was made in order to comply with Section 9 (k) of the Board of Adjustment Working Rule of Procedure that states, "If a subsequent case is filed concerning the same request, that case must be returned to the panel hearing the

previously filed case."

March 15, 2016: The Board Administrator emailed the applicant the following information:

- a copy of the application materials including the Building Official's report on the application;
- an attachment that provided the public hearing date and panel that will consider the application; the March 30<sup>th</sup> deadline to submit additional evidence for staff to factor into their analysis;

and the April 8<sup>th</sup> deadline to submit additional evidence to be incorporated into the Board's docket materials;

- the criteria/standard that the board will use in their decision to approve or deny the request; and
- the Board of Adjustment Working Rules of Procedure pertaining to "documentary evidence."

April 5, 2016:

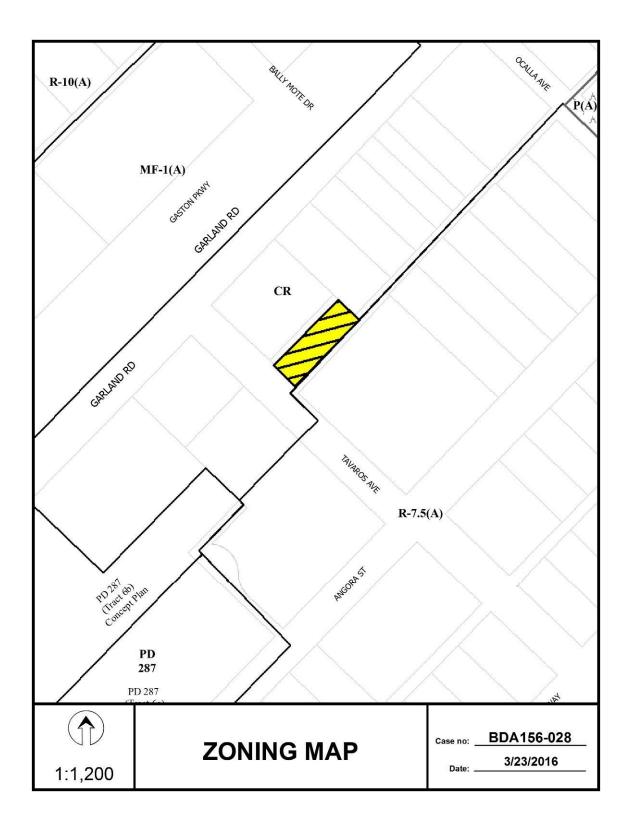
The Board of Adjustment staff review team meeting was held regarding this request and the others scheduled for April public hearings. Review team members in attendance included: the Sustainable Development and Construction Interim Assistant Director, the Sustainable Development and Construction Board of Adjustment Chief Planner, the Sustainable Development and Construction Building Inspection Chief Planner, the Board Administrator. the Building Inspection Senior Plans Examiners/Development Code Specialist. the Sustainable Development and Construction Project Engineers, the City of Sustainable Dallas Chief Arborist, the Development and Construction Board of Adjustment Senior Planner, and the Assistant City Attorneys to the Board.

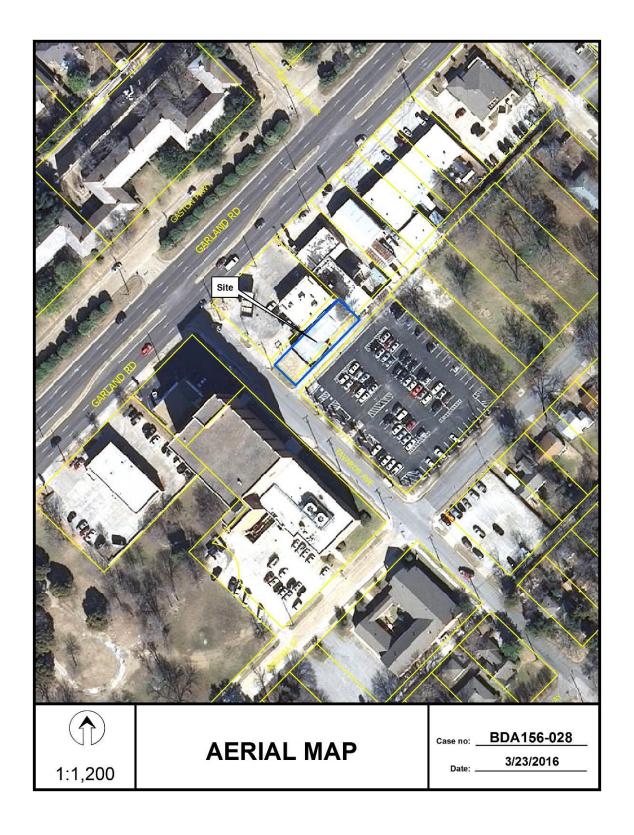
April 7, 2016:

The Sustainable Development and Construction Department Project Engineer submitted a review comment sheet marked "Has no objections."

April 8, 2016:

The City of Dallas Chief Arborist submitted a memo regarding this request (see Attachment A).





# Memorandum



DATE April 8, 2016

TO

Steve Long, Board of Adjustment Administrator

SUBJECT # BDA 156 · 028

1212 Tavaros Avenue

The applicant is requesting a special exception to the landscape requirements of Article X.

<u>Trigger</u>

New construction.

# **Deficiencies**

Under current conditions, where vehicular alley access to the property is prohibited, the pavement within the buffer area exceeds the maximum amount of nonpermeable coverage allowed for a perimeter landscape buffer strip where residential adjacency exists (10.125(b)(1)). One large tree is required for each 50 feet of perimeter landscape buffer. One tree is provided where three are required, and the mandatory buffer plant materials are not provided (10.125(b)(7)).

In addition, for the design standard of screening of off-street parking, screening shrubs along Tavaros Avenue are identified at 30" in height where a minimum of 36" is required (10.126(c)).

Concrete curbs or wheel stops are not identified in locations to protect landscaping areas alongside vehicular use areas (10.105).

# <u>Factors</u>

Under Article X, a perimeter landscape buffer strip must be provided along the entire length of the perimeter of the lot where a residential adjacency exists, exclusive of driveways and accessways at points of ingress and egress to and from the lot. The buffer strip must be at least 10 feet wide, except that any portion of the buffer strip in the front yard and adjacent to the side lot line need not exceed 10 percent of the lot width. On this property, shown as driveway, this side area of the front yard would be a minimum of 4 feet in width based on the 40' width of the lot.

If it is determined by administrative action, the vehicular access may be provided via the alley, driveways will be considered as points of ingress and egress, and that nonpermeable area on the property will be excluded from the perimeter landscape buffer strip requirement.

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The plan identifies a large tree at the rear of the property is on the adjacent lot and abutting an existing structure. A minimal area of permeable area is to be retained around the tree on this building site. The area must be kept permeable for the duration of the life of the tree.

Two new street trees are provided along Tavaros Avenue. The area is restrictive in space, but appear to have the minimum soil area requirements for the trees. The trees must meet the minimum planting requirements of Article X and be planted not closer than two and one-half feet to the pavement.

### Recommendation

The chief arborist recommends denial of the proposed alternative landscape plan because I do not believe that strict compliance with the requirements of this article will unreasonably burden the use of the property. If authority is given to provide the ingress and egress to the property through the alley, it is demonstrated by this plan the property does have sufficient landscape area, with adjacent parkway space, to meet the minimum planting conditions for the required landscaping.

In making proper species selection and wise use of the very limited landscape area, I believe the site can accommodate two street trees, four site trees, screening of off-street parking (either by shrub or screening fence), and the foundation planting. The 10-feet wide perimeter buffer strip can provide for a combination of large trees and large shrubs, and/or small trees, to meet compliance with the required buffer plant materials.

If the Board chooses to support the plan, I recommend compliance with the alternative landscape plan is required with condition of full compliance with the General Division (10.100) of Article X.

Philip Erwin, ISA certified arborist #TX-1284(A)
Chief Arborist



# APPLICATION/APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

		Case No.: BDA 156-028
	Data Relative to Subject Property:	Date: 1/29 /16
	Location address: 1212 TAUAROS IAZCAS	Zoning District: CR
	Lot No.: Block No.: B/5284 Acreage: 0,113	Census Tract: 60
	Street Frontage (in Feet): 1) 40 2) 3)	
	To the Honorable Board of Adjustment:	901
	Owner of Property (per Warranty Deed): TEXAS TELSOM	CREDIT UNION
7	Applicant: STEUE GIBSON	Telephone: <u>2/4 320 -</u> 88/8
	Mailing Address: 8818 GARLAND RO DALCAS	Tx Zip Code: 75218
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17	Represented by: TERRY LIKES NABS	Telephone: 316 821-959t
	Mailing Address: 9139 E 37 th S- NORTH WOLLT	12 Ks Zip Code: 67226
	E-mail Address: JERRY & NORS INC.	DUA
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	who on (his/her) oath certifies that the above statements are knowledge and that he/she is the owner/or principal/or authorize property.	rue and correct to his/her best
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Appeal wasGranted OR Denied
Date of Hearing
MEMORANDUM OF ACTION TAKEN BY THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

# **Building Official's Report**

I hereby certify that

Jerry Dieker

represented by

Steve Gibson

did submit a request

for a special exception to the landscaping regulations, and for a variance to

the off-street parking regulation, and for a special exception to the afley

access restriction

at

1212 Tavaros Avenue

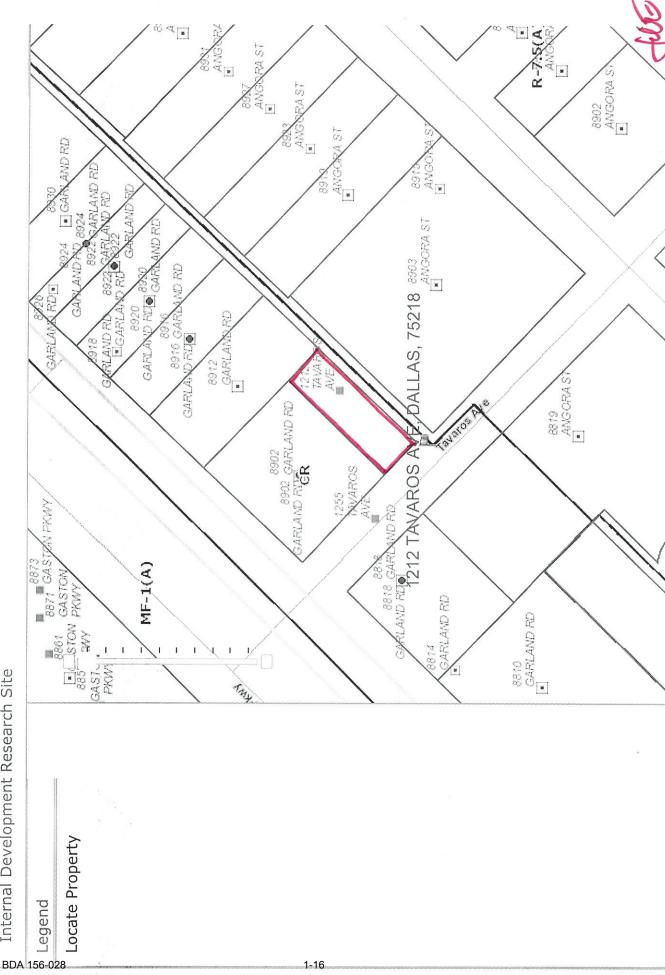
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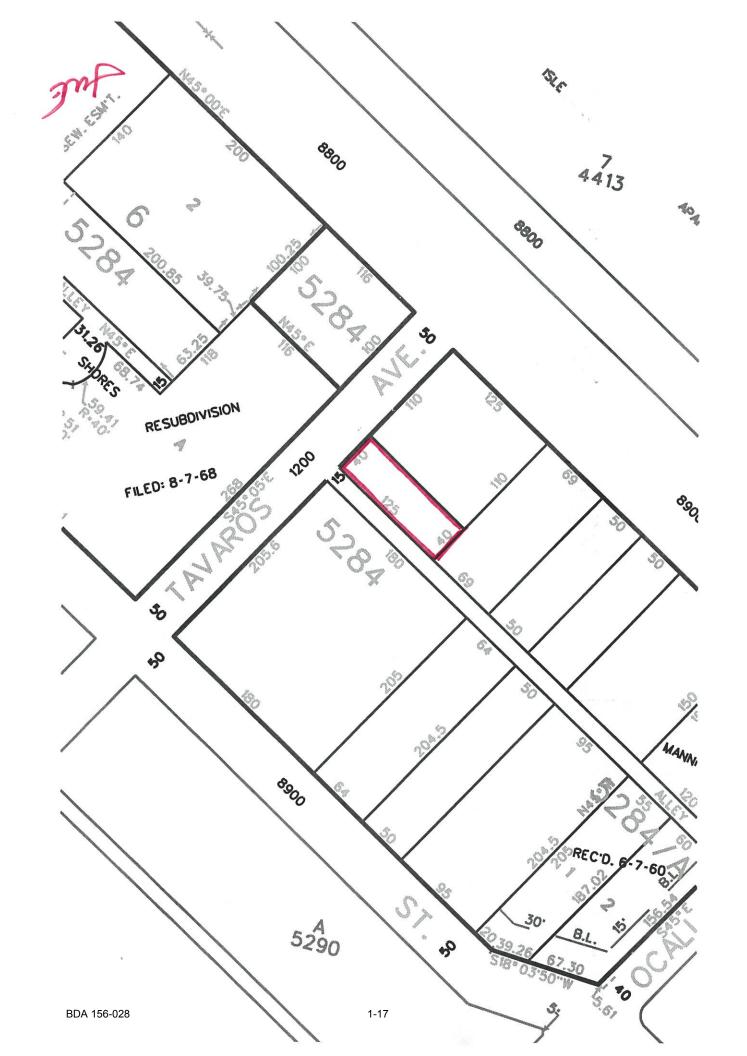
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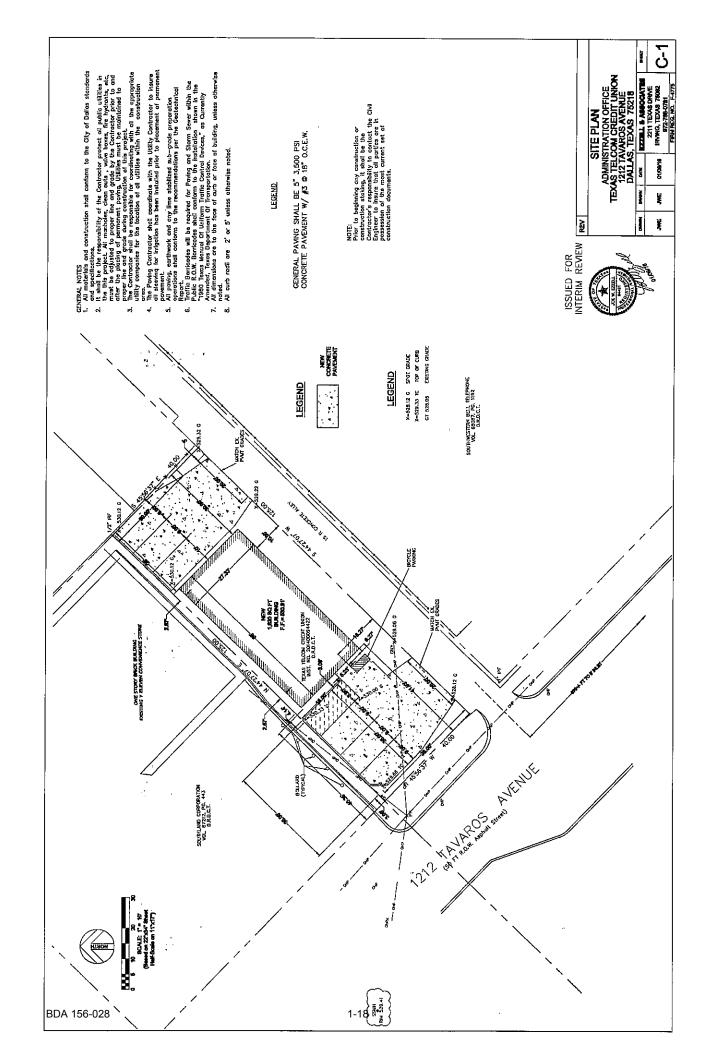
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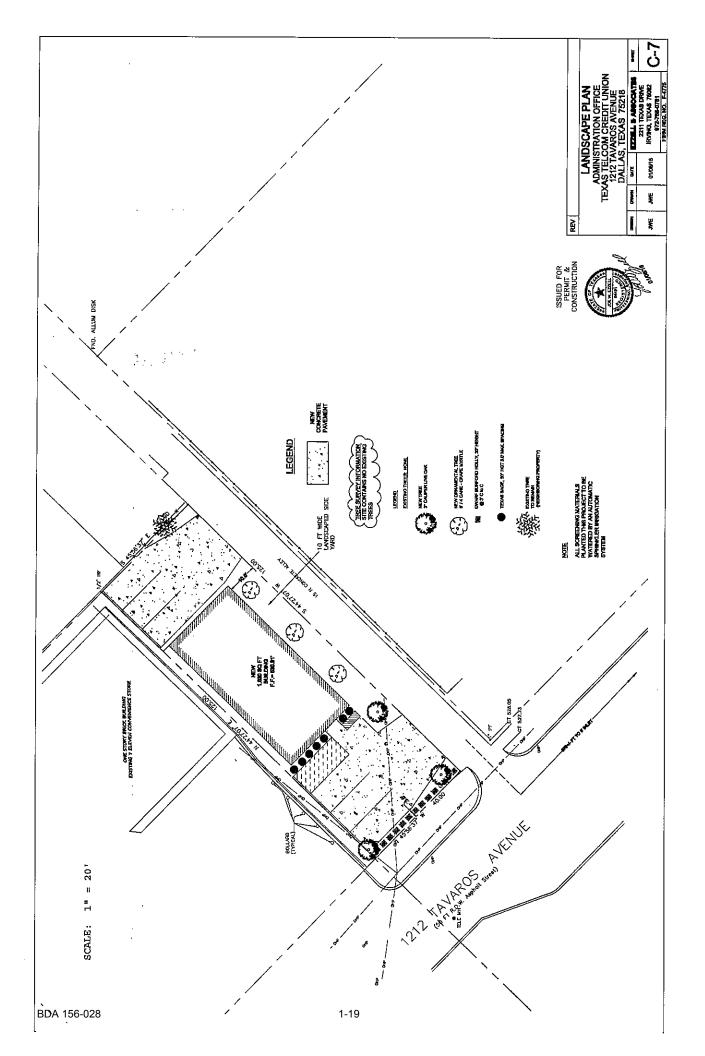
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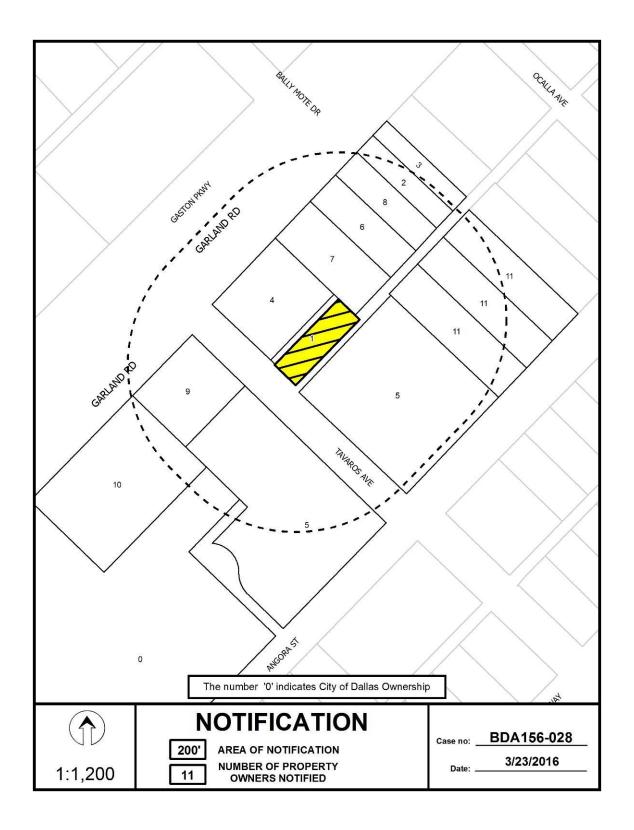
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# Notification List of Property Owners BDA156-028

# 11 Property Owners Notified

Label #	Address		Owner
1	1212	TAVAROS AVE	TEXAS TELCOM CREDIT UNION
2	8922	GARLAND RD	STEPHENSON J R
3	8924	GARLAND RD	HALLIBURTON SWIMMING POOL
4	8902	GARLAND RD	SEJ ASSET MGMT & INVESTMENT COMPANY
5	8903	ANGORA ST	SOUTHWESTERN BELL
6	8916	GARLAND RD	LOVING THOMAS E JR
7	8912	GARLAND RD	STUCKEY PPTIES LLC
8	8920	GARLAND RD	CURIOUS LLC
9	8818	GARLAND RD	AT&T CREDIT UNION
10	8810	GARLAND RD	KWIK KAR BY THE LAKE LLC
11	8927	ANGORA ST	JLD CUSTOM HOMES LP

**FILE NUMBER**: BDA156-030(SL)

BUILDING OFFICIAL'S REPORT: Application of Christian Patterson, represented by Tim Clyde, for special exceptions to the visual obstruction regulations at 5401 Miller Avenue. This property is more fully described as Lot 30, Block 11/1936, and is zoned CD-15, which requires a 20 foot visibility triangle at driveway approaches. The applicant proposes to locate and maintain items in required visibility triangles which will require special exceptions to the visual obstruction regulations.

**LOCATION**: 5401 Miller Avenue

**APPLICANT:** Christian Patterson

Represented by Tim Clyde

# REQUESTS:

Requests for special exceptions to the visual obstruction regulations are made to construct and maintain an 8' high solid wood fence and swinging gate in in the 20' visibility triangles on both sides of the driveway into the site from Glencoe Avenue on a site being developed with a single family use.

# STANDARD FOR A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO THE VISUAL OBSTRUCTION REGULATIONS:

The Board shall grant a special exception to the requirements of the visual obstruction regulations when, in the opinion of the Board, the item will not constitute a traffic hazard.

# **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Denial

#### Rationale:

- The Sustainable Development and Construction Department Project Engineer recommended that these requests be denied commenting" The proposed gate and fence encroaching into the visibility triangle creates a safety hazard to pedestrians and vehicular traffic.
- The applicant had not substantiated how the location of an 8' high solid wood fence and swinging gate in in the 20' visibility triangles on both sides of the driveway into the site from Glencoe Avenue does not constitute a traffic hazard.

# **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

## **Zoning:**

Site: CD 15 (Conservation District)
North: CD 15 (Conservation District)
South: CD 15 (Conservation District)
East: CD 15 (Conservation District)
West: CD 15 (Conservation District)

# Land Use:

The subject site is being developed with a single family use. The areas to the north, east, south, and west are developed with single family uses.

# **Zoning/BDA History**:

There has not been any recent related board or zoning cases recorded either on or in the immediate vicinity of the subject site.

# **GENERAL FACTS/STAFF ANALYSIS:**

- These requests focus on constructing and maintaining an 8' high solid wood fence in the 20' visibility triangles on both sides of the driveway into the site from Glencoe Avenue, and a sliding 8' high wood gate in the 20' visibility triangle on the southern side of the driveway into the site from Glencoe Avenue on a site being developed with a single family use.
- The property is located in CD 15 that states that except as otherwise provided, the development standards of the R-7.5(A) Single Family District apply to this district. CD 15 does not make specific provisions related to visual obstruction regulations.
- The Dallas Development Code states the following: A person shall not erect, place, or maintain a structure, berm, plant life or any other item on a lot if the item is:
  - in a visibility triangle as defined in the Code (45-foot visibility triangles at street intersections, and 20 foot visibility triangles at drive approaches and at alleys on properties zoned single family); and
  - between two and a half and eight feet in height measured from the top of the adjacent street curb (or the grade of the portion on the street adjacent to the visibility triangle).
- A site plan/elevation has been submitted indicating portions of the fence located in the 20' visibility triangles on both sides of the driveway into the site from Glencoe Avenue, and the sliding gate located in the 20' visibility triangle on the southern side of the driveway into the site from Glencoe Avenue.
- The Sustainable Development and Construction Department Project Engineer submitted a review comment sheet marked "Recommends that this be denied" commenting "The proposed gate and fence encroaching within the visibility triangle creates a safety hazard to pedestrians and vehicular traffic."
- The applicant has the burden of proof in establishing how granting the requests for special exceptions to the visual obstruction regulations to construct and maintain an 8' high solid wood fence in the 20' visibility triangles on both sides of the driveway

into the site from Glencoe Avenue, and a sliding 8' high wood gate in the 20' visibility triangle on the southern side of the driveway into the site from Glencoe Avenue does not constitute a traffic hazard.

 Granting these requests with a condition imposed that the applicant complies with the submitted site plan/elevation would limit the items located in the 20' drive approach visibility triangles into the site from Glencoe Avenue to what is shown on this document – an 8' high solid wood fence/sliding gate.

# Timeline:

February 17, 2016: The applicant submitted an "Application/Appeal to the Board of Adjustment" and related documents which have been included as part of this case report.

March 15, 2016: The Board of Adjustment Secretary randomly assigned this case to Board of Adjustment Panel B.

March 15, 2016: The Board Administrator emailed the applicant the following information:

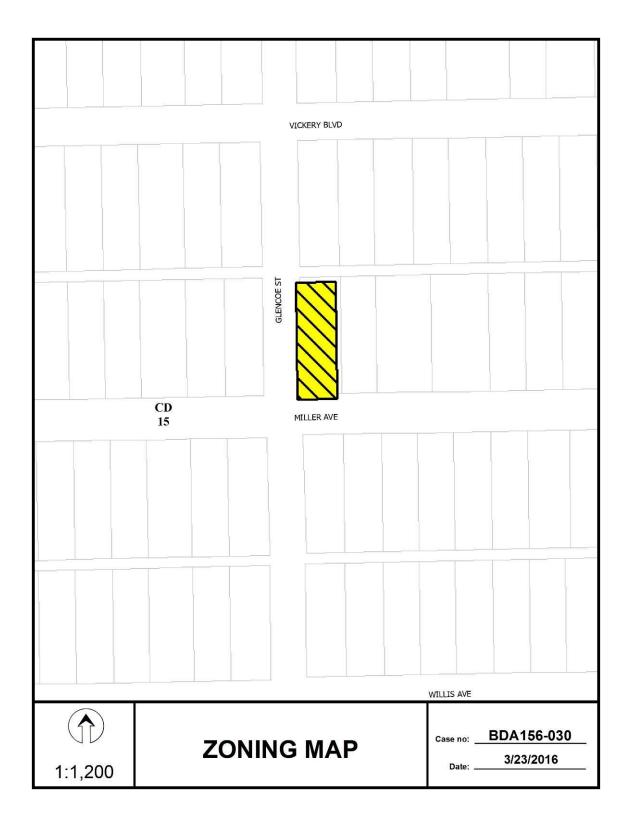
- a copy of the application materials including the Building Official's report on the application;
- an attachment that provided the public hearing date and panel that will consider the application; the March 30<sup>th</sup> deadline to submit additional evidence for staff to factor into their analysis; and the April 8<sup>th</sup> deadline to submit additional evidence to be incorporated into the Board's docket materials;
- the criteria/standard that the board will use in their decision to approve or deny the request; and
- the Board of Adjustment Working Rules of Procedure pertaining to "documentary evidence."

April 5, 2016:

The Board of Adjustment staff review team meeting was held regarding this request and the others scheduled for April public hearings. Review team members in attendance included: the Sustainable Development and Construction Interim Assistant Director, the Sustainable Development and Construction Board of Adjustment Chief Planner, the Sustainable Development and Construction Building Inspection Chief Planner, the Board Administrator, Building Inspection Senior the Examiners/Development Code Specialist, the Sustainable Development and Construction Project Engineers, the City of the Sustainable Development and Chief Arborist, Construction Board of Adjustment Senior Planner, and the Assistant City Attorneys to the Board.

April 7, 2016:

The Sustainable Development and Construction Department Project Engineer submitted a review comment sheet marked "Recommends that this be denied" commenting: The proposed gate and fence encroaching within the visibility triangle creates a safety hazard to pedestrians and vehicular traffic."







# APPLICATION/APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Case No.: BDA 156 -030 Data Relative to Subject Property: Date: 2016-02-17 Location address: 5401 Miller Ave Dallas, Texas 75206 Zoning District: SF/CD-15 Lot No.: 30 Block No.: 11/1936 Acreage: 8640 saft Census Tract: 440 Street Frontage (in Feet): 1) 160.5 2) 54 3) 4) 5) To the Honorable Board of Adjustment: Owner of Property (per Warranty Deed): Christian Patterson Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Christian Patterson \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_214-799-0693 Mailing Address: 4650 Cole Ave., Apt 236, Dallas, TX Zip Code: 75205 E-mail Address: One mtborashing o gmail com Represented by: \_\_\_\_\_ Tim Clyde Telephone: 972-832-0323 Mailing Address: 4300 N C Exprwy #290 Dallas, Tx Zip Code: 75206 E-mail Address: tclyde@westrupconstruction.com Affirm that an appeal has been made for a Variance \_\_, or Special Exception \_\_, of \_\_ Removal of Usabuly Mangle Cram printe driving Application is made to the Board of Adjustment, in accordance with the provisions of the Dallas Development Code, to grant the described appeal for the following reason: The garage is est back 26 feet from the Rolling gate, Usatity triangle would Reduce the back yard Span. The street is a guet street with minual low pedoffrums. The gute will be adjactn't to a Note to Applicant: If the appeal requested in this application is granted by the Board of Adjustment, a permit must be applied for within 180 days of the date of the final action of the Board, unless the Board specifically grants a longer period. Affidavit Before me the undersigned on this day personally appeared CHRISTIAN (Affiant/Applicant's name printed) who on (his/her) oath certifies that the above statements are true and correct to his/her best knowledge and that he/she is the owner/or principal/or authorized representative of the subject property. Respectfully submitted: Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of day of ELIZABETH KEELER Notary Public in and for Dallas County, Texas (Rev. 08-01-11) Notary Public, State of Texas

My Commission Expires

July 08, 2019 2-6

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Remarks
Appeal wasGranted OR Denied
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MEMORANDUM OF ACTION TAKEN BY THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

# **Building Official's Report**

I hereby certify that

**Christian Patterson** 

represented by

TIMOTHY CLYDE

did submit a request

for a special exception to the visibility obstruction regulations

at 540

5401 Miller Avenue

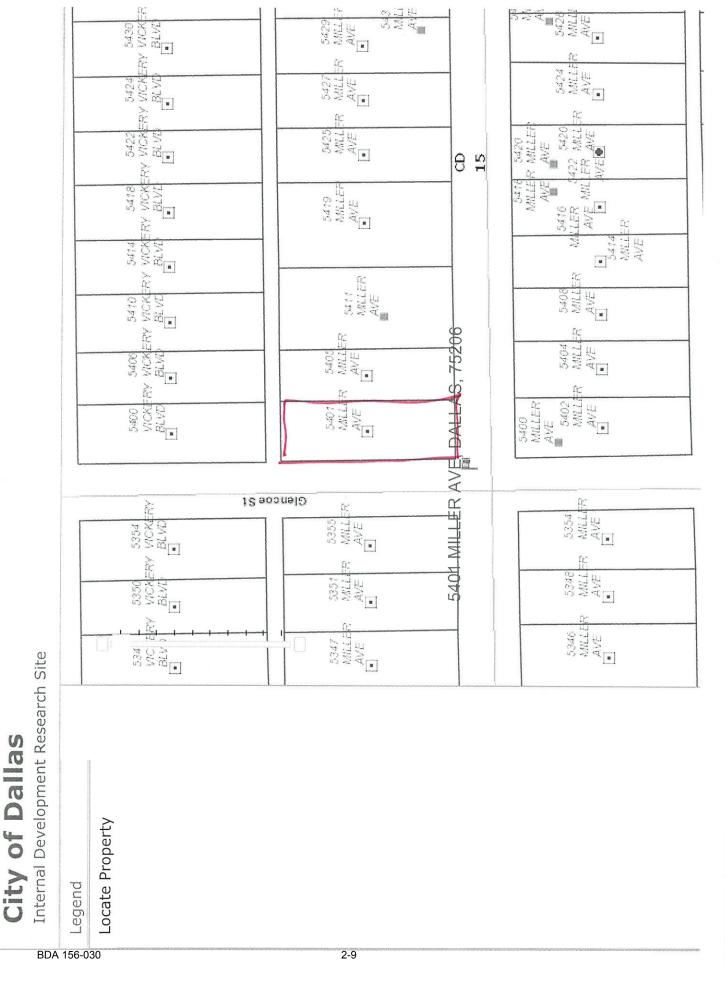
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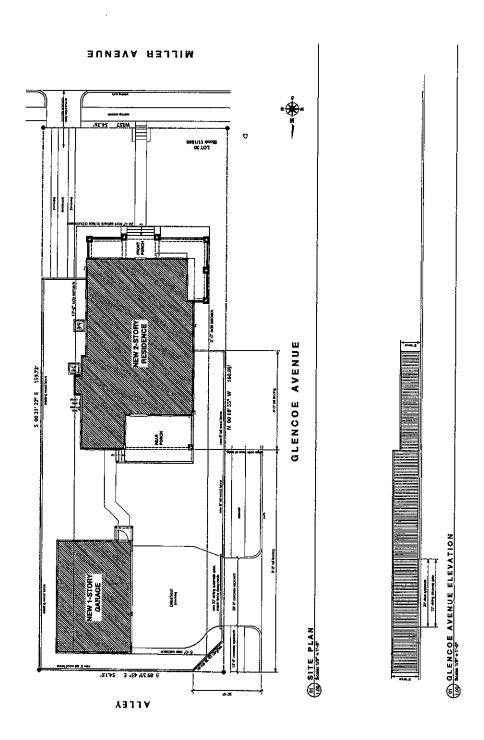
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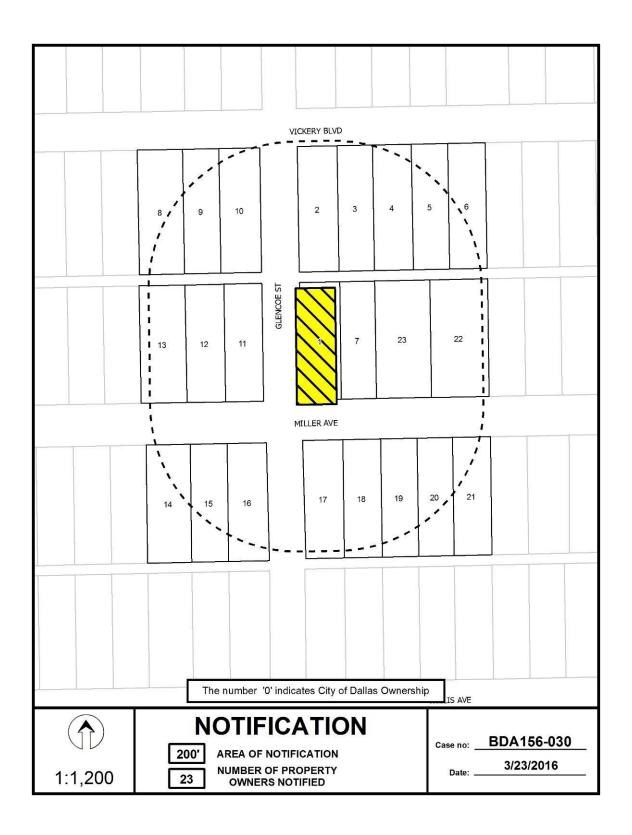
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# Notification List of Property Owners BDA156-030

# 23 Property Owners Notified

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1	5401	MILLER AVE	PATTERSON CHRISTIAN
2	5400	VICKERY BLVD	PERDUE KIMBERLY M
3	5406	VICKERY BLVD	MARIN ANGELICA &
4	5410	VICKERY BLVD	CAMPBELL CARYN M
5	5414	VICKERY BLVD	LINTON JONI
6	5418	VICKERY BLVD	EARMAN LAURA C &
7	5405	MILLER AVE	CROWELL COURTNEY
8	5346	VICKERY BLVD	SMITH ROLAND L &
9	5350	VICKERY BLVD	BOOTH ARLENE
10	5354	VICKERY BLVD	QUADLING WENDY R &
11	5355	MILLER AVE	LATOUR ADAM MICHAEL
12	5351	MILLER AVE	RAWLINGS JASON L
13	5347	MILLER AVE	RIVERA BERNARDO JR &
14	5346	MILLER AVE	OVALLE MARIA E &
15	5348	MILLER AVE	RIAL KATHERINE NON EXEMPT TRUST
16	5354	MILLER AVE	HUNTEMAN KATHRYN
17	5402	MILLER AVE	BRENNER FAMILY TRUST
18	5404	MILLER AVE	CASTLE CREEK HOLDINGS CO
19	5408	MILLER AVE	NICHOLSON TYLER M
20	5414	MILLER AVE	PERDUE MICHAEL D.
21	5416	MILLER AVE	JACKSON HUNTER M
22	5419	MILLER AVE	ORRELL BRIAN A
23	5411	MILLER AVE	JONES CHRISTOPHER B &

**FILE NUMBER**: BDA156-036(SL)

**BUILDING OFFICIAL'S REPORT:** Application of Santos T. Martinez for a special exception to the landscape regulations at 4407 W. Lovers Lane. This property is more fully described as Lot 1A, Block E/4975, and is zoned PD-326 (Area A), which requires mandatory landscaping. The applicant proposes to construct and maintain a structure and provide an alternate landscape plan, which will require a special exception to the landscape regulations.

**LOCATION**: 4407 W. Lovers Lane

**APPLICANT:** Santos T. Martinez

# REQUEST:

A special exception to the landscape regulations is made to construct and maintain an office use/structure (DSF Capital) on a site currently undeveloped, and not fully meet the landscape regulations.

# STANDARD FOR A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO THE LANDSCAPE AND TREE PRESERVATION REGULATIONS:

The board may grant a special exception to the landscape and tree preservation regulations of this article upon making a special finding from the evidence presented that:

- (1) strict compliance with the requirements of this article will unreasonably burden the use of the property;
- (2) the special exception will not adversely affect neighboring property; and
- (3) the requirements are not imposed by a site-specific landscape plan approved by the city plan commission or city council.

In determining whether to grant a special exception, the Board shall consider the following factors:

- the extent to which there is residential adjacency;
- the topography of the site;
- the extent to which landscaping exists for which no credit is given under this article;
   and
- the extent to which other existing or proposed amenities will compensate for the reduction of landscaping.

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### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

#### Denial

#### Rationale:

- The Chief Arborist had recommended denial of the request, specifically stating that a
  proposed tall retaining wall centered within the already restricted Lover's Lane
  landscape area would negatively impact available tree planting and screening plant
  areas. The combined impact of a reduced perimeter buffer strip and reduced ability
  to sustain large trees in the street planting strip cannot be supported by staff.
- Staff had concluded that the applicant had not substantiated how strict compliance with the requirements of this article will unreasonably burden the use of the property; and that the special exception will not adversely affect neighboring property.

# **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

# Zoning:

Site: PD 326 (Area A) (Planned Development)

North: R-10(A) (Single family residential 10,000 square feet)

South: PD 326 (Area C) (Planned Development)
East: PD 326 (Area B) (Planned Development)
West: PD 326 (Area A) (Planned Development)

### Land Use:

The subject site is undeveloped. The area to the north is developed with single family uses; the area to the east is developed with retail use; and the areas to the south and west are developed with office uses.

# **Zoning/BDA History**:

There has not been any recent related board or zoning cases recorded either on or in the immediate vicinity of the subject site.

### **GENERAL FACTS/STAFF ANALYSIS:**

- This request focuses constructing and maintaining an office use/structure (DSF Capital) on a site currently undeveloped, and not fully meeting the landscape regulations, more specifically not providing the required perimeter landscape buffer strips and number of associate buffer plant materials.
- The subject site is zoned PD 326 which states that landscaping must be provided on all property in accordance with Article X, "Landscape Regulations," when an application is made for a building permit for construction work that: 1) increases by

- more than 10 percent the floor area of any structure; 2) increases the number of stories of any structure on a lot; or 3) increases the number of structures on the lot.
- The City of Dallas Chief Arborist submitted a memo regarding the applicant's request (see Attachment A). The memo states how this request is triggered by a new construction.
- The Chief Arborist's memo lists the following factors for consideration:
  - 1. The re-platted building site abuts private property in two residential zoning districts: R-10(A) and R-7.5(A).

#### 2. BUFFER STRIP:

- Under Article X, a perimeter landscape buffer strip must be provided along the entire length of the perimeter of the lot where a residential adjacency exists, exclusive of driveways and accessways at points of ingress and egress to and from the lot. The buffer strip must be at least 10 feet wide, except that: A) any portion of the buffer strip adjacent to public street frontage need not exceed 10 percent of the lot depth, and B) any portion of the buffer strip in the front yard and adjacent to the side lot line need not exceed 10 percent of the lot width.
- The revised proposed plan provides for a reduced 5-foot wide perimeter landscape buffer strip for the side yard from Taos Road, and also a 5-foot wide strip for the side yard from Elsby Avenue. There is no perimeter landscape buffer strip in the rear yard adjacent to the R-10(A) zoning district.
- A review of engineering plans for this project identifies a 'proposed 10' storm sewer easement' in proximity to the required perimeter landscape buffer strip.
- The area is also compromised by the proposed driveway and a dumpster enclosure. The driveway fully encircles the proposed structure.
- PD 326 has a mandatory screening requirement for 'screening walls' to be composed of solid masonry, stucco, or wood, or a combination of masonry, stucco, and wood. The walls are required to be eight feet in height when the area is adjacent to a single family district. As of this memorandum, no plan has been provided by the applicant to confirm the proposed wall materials.

### 3. BUFFER PLANT MATERIALS:

- If a fence with a buffer strip is required along any part of the perimeter of a lot, the buffer strip must contain either one large canopy tree or two large noncanopy trees at a minimum average density of one large canopy tree or two large non-canopy trees for each 50 linear feet of the buffer strip, with new trees spaced no less than 25 feet apart.
- The entire adjacency frontage is approximately 460 feet in length which would require a minimum of 9 buffer plant groups (9 large canopy trees) for Article X compliance. The revised proposed plan shows three new live oaks. Six Texas redbuds, classified by the Texas Extension office as a small tree (growing 15-20' in height), would not be listed as a large tree for compliance. An interior live oak tree was shown in the pedestrian area to help relieve the lack of buffer plant materials on the perimeter.

#### 4. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

• All large trees are now scheduled for removal under the revised alternate landscape plan, except for a cluster of pecan trees on the western perimeter.

- The plan complies with two design standards: 1) screening of off-street parking and 2) enhanced pedestrian pavement.
- Provided dimension control plans also indicate a 4" to 16" tall retaining wall along Lover's Lane which is not identified on the revised alternative landscape plan.
- The City of Dallas Chief Arborist recommends denial of the revised alternate landscape plan, stating that a proposed 4"-16" tall retaining wall was identified on the same dimension control plans for the project which also located the placement of the storm sewer easement in the rear yard. The Chief Arborist states that the wall would be centered within the already restricted Lover's Lane landscape area and would negatively impact available tree planting and screening plant areas. The Chief Arborist states that the combined impact of the reduced perimeter buffer strip and reduced ability to sustain large trees in the street planting strip is not supportable by staff.
- The applicant has the burden of proof in establishing the following:
  - Strict compliance with the requirements of the landscape regulations of the Dallas Development Code will unreasonably burden the use of the property; and the special exception will not adversely affect neighboring property.
- If the Board were to grant this request and impose the submitted landscape plan as a condition to the request, the site would be provided exception from full compliance with the required perimeter landscape buffer strips and number of associate buffer plant materials on the subject site.

# Timeline:

February 25, 2016: The applicant submitted an "Application/Appeal to the Board of

Adjustment" and related documents which have been included as

part of this case report.

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Board of Adjustment Panel B.

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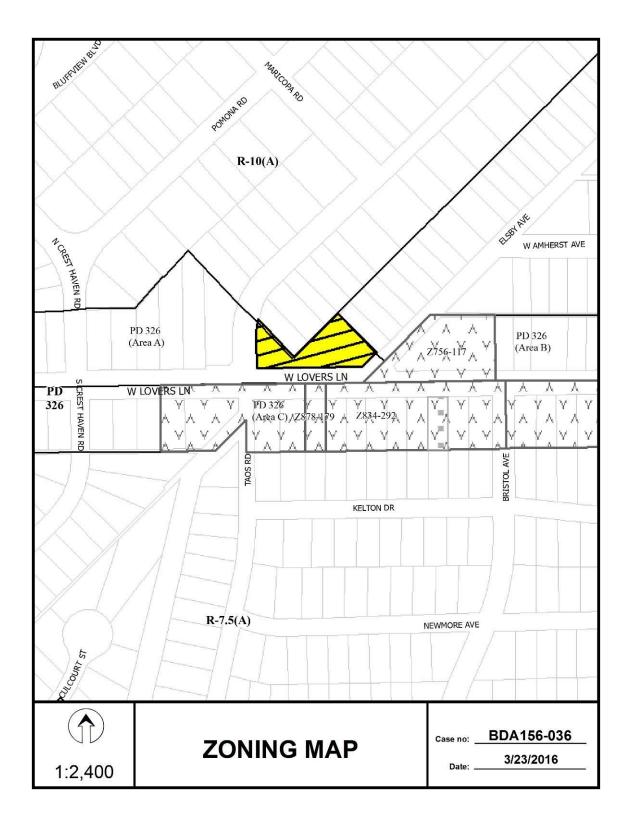
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No review comment sheets were submitted in conjunction with this application.

April 12, 2016:

The City of Dallas Chief Arborist submitted a memo regarding this request (see Attachment A).





# Memorandum



DATE

April 12, 2016

TO

Steve Long, Board of Adjustment Administrator

SUBJECT

# BDA 156 · 036

4407 W Lovers Lane

The applicant is requesting a special exception to the landscape requirements of Article X as required in PD 326.

<u>Trigger</u>

New construction.

#### <u>Deficiencies</u>

The proposed revised alternative landscape plan provides for reduced perimeter landscape buffer strips which are required under Section 51A-10.125(b)(1), and a reduction of the number of associated buffer plant materials, as is required under Section 51A-10.125(b)(7).

10.125(b)(1): Approximately 465 linear feet = 9 buffer plant groups required 10.125(b)(7): 3 new large canopy trees are provided and 6 small trees.

### <u>Factors</u>

The re-platted building site abuts private property in two residential zoning districts: R-10(A) and R-7.5(A).

#### **BUFFER STRIP:**

Under Article X, a perimeter landscape buffer strip must be provided along the entire length of the perimeter of the lot where a residential adjacency exists, exclusive of driveways and accessways at points of ingress and egress to and from the lot. The buffer strip must be at least 10 feet wide, except that

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A review of engineering plans for this project identifies a 'proposed 10' storm sewer easement' in proximity to the required perimeter landscape buffer strip.

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The area is also compromised by the proposed driveway and a dumpster enclosure. The driveway fully encircles the proposed structure.

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#### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

All large trees are now scheduled for removal under the revised alternate landscape plan, except for a cluster of pecan trees on the western perimeter.

The plan complies with two design standards: 1) screening of off-street parking and 2) enhanced pedestrian pavement.

Provided dimension control plans also indicate a 4" to 16" tall retaining wall along Lover's Lane which is not identified on the revised alternative landscape plan.

#### Recommendation

The chief arborist recommends denial of the revised alternate landscape plan. A proposed 4"-16" tall retaining wall was identified on the same dimension control plans for the project which also located the placement of the storm sewer easement in the rear yard. The wall would be centered within the already restricted Lover's Lane landscape area and would negatively impact available tree planting and screening plant areas. The combined impact of the reduced perimeter buffer strip and reduced ability to sustain large trees in the street planting strip is not supportable by staff.

Philip Erwin, ISA certified arborist #TX-1284(A)
Chief Arborist



# APPLICATION/APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

	Case No.: BDA 156-036
Data Relative to Subject Property:	Date: 02-25-16
Location address: 4401 and 4407 W. Lovers	Zoning District: PDD 326 Area A
Lot No.: Block No.: A/5679 Acreage:65	Census Tract:73.02
Street Frontage (in Feet): 1) 56.8 2) 286.1 3) 130	4)5)
To the Honorable Board of Adjustment :	NW.ZI
Owner of Property (per Warranty Deed): 4401 West LL Partners	live
Applicant: Santos T. Martinez	Telephone:
Mailing Address:	Zip Code:
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Represented by:	Telephone:214-761-9197
Mailing Address:900 Jackson, Suite 640 Dallas, TX	Zip Code:75202
E-mail Address:santos@masterplanconsultants.com	
Affirm that an appeal has been made for a Variance, or Special Excalternate landscape plan	eption _X , of _ approval of an
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who on (his/her) oath certifies that the above statements are knowledge and that he/she is the owner/or principal/or authori property.  Respectfully submitted:	
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BDA 156-036

Remarks
Appeal wasGranted OR Denied
Date of Hearing
MEMORANDUM OF ACTION TAKEN BY THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

# **Building Official's Report**

I hereby certify that

Santos Martinez

did submit a request

for a special exception to the landscaping regulations

at

4407 W. Lovers Lane

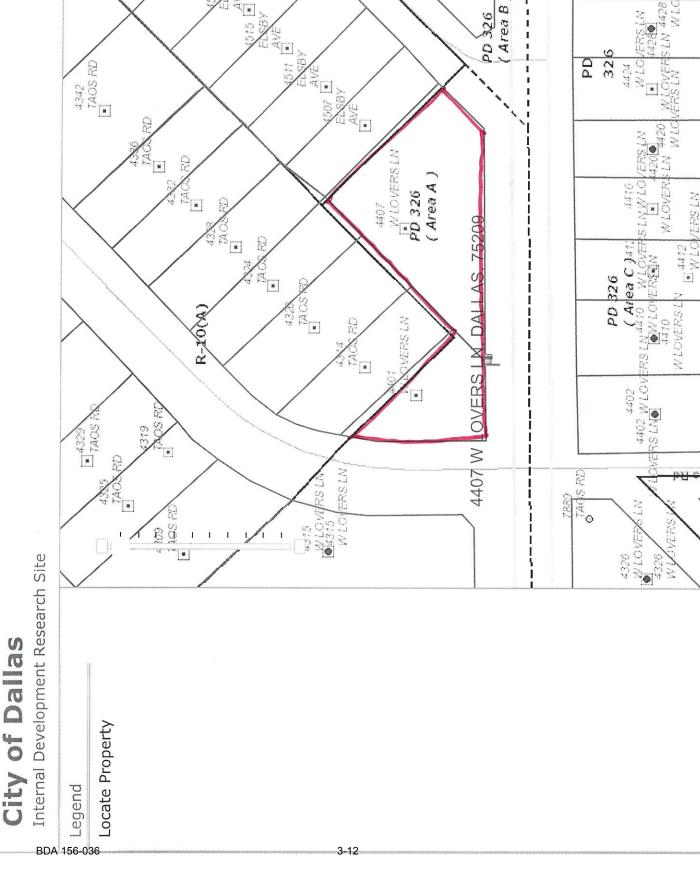
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Sincerely,

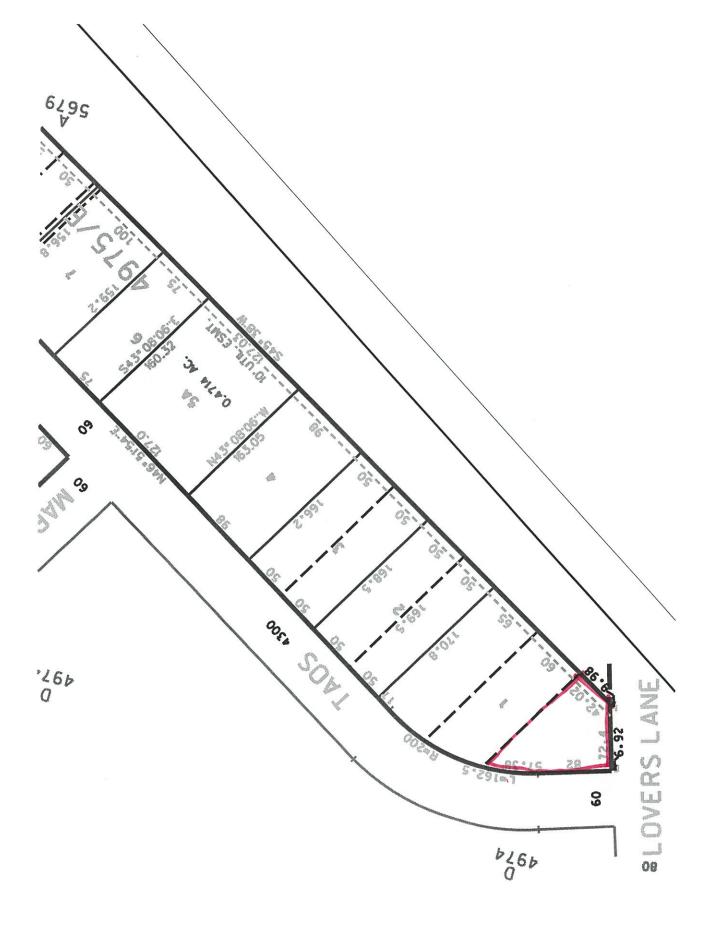
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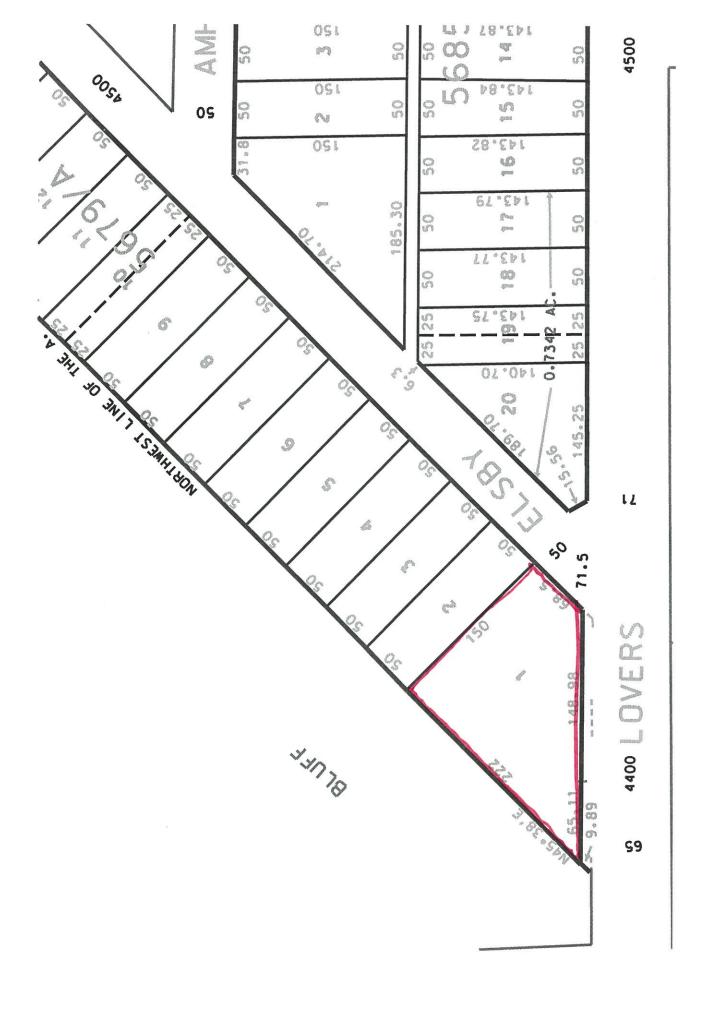
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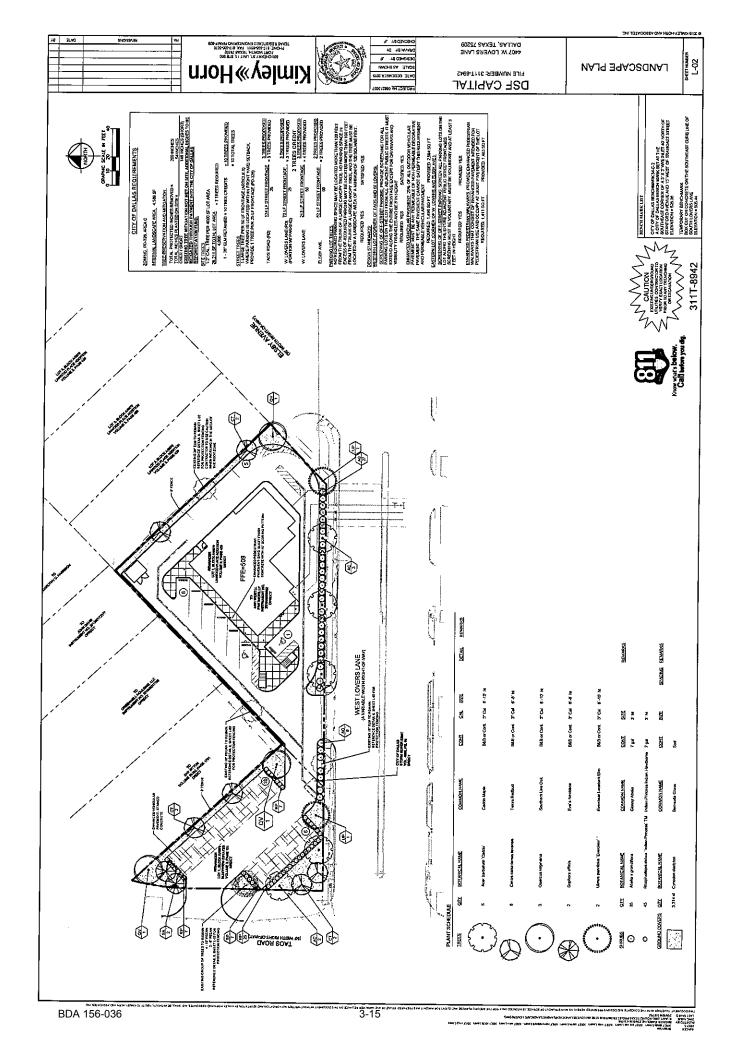
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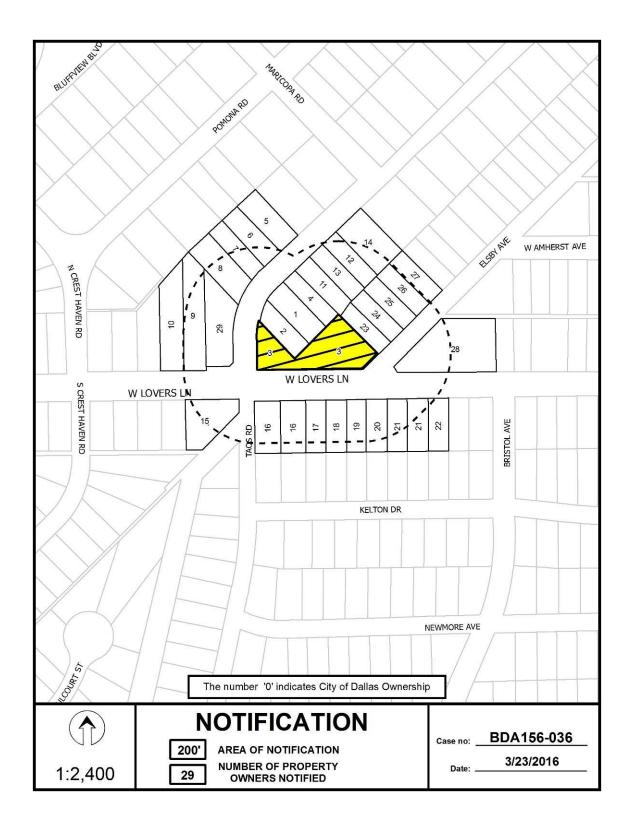


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# Notification List of Property Owners BDA156-036

# 29 Property Owners Notified

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2	4314	TAOS RD	SITTON KAY
3	4401	W LOVERS LN	TOMAINO PPTIES LP
4	4324	TAOS RD	DAVIS JENNIFER L & JOHN F DAVIS IV
5	4333	TAOS RD	SCHWARTZ JOHN &
6	4329	TAOS RD	HODGE KELLY STEPHAN &
7	4325	TAOS RD	GOODING THOMAS J & YOLANDA S
8	4309	TAOS RD	MONROE D R
9	4313	W LOVERS LN	EM COR LLC
10	4311	W LOVERS LN	DFW/MLA OPPORTUNITY FUND LTD
11	4328	TAOS RD	HARRISON DOROTHY O
12	4336	TAOS RD	COSTANTINO THOMAS V
13	4332	TAOS RD	MCCOLLUM THOMAS GERALD &
14	4342	TAOS RD	RAIN THOMAS E & JUNE T
15	4326	W LOVERS LN	YBARRA CARLO LLC
16	4402	W LOVERS LN	4402 LOVERS LN PARTNERS LP
17	4412	W LOVERS LN	4412 LOVERS LANE LLC
18	4416	W LOVERS LN	KAHN KAREN A
19	4420	W LOVERS LN	HORNE ROBERT C &
20	4424	W LOVERS LN	LOLL INC
21	4428	W LOVERS LN	JC JUNKER LLC
22	4438	W LOVERS LN	GILCHRIST THOMAS G
23	4507	ELSBY AVE	STANTON SAME
24	4511	ELSBY AVE	BURTON ERIKA & CHRISTOPHER D
25	4515	ELSBY AVE	REID THOMAS MICHAEL
26	4519	ELSBY AVE	MEHRA KAPIL

Label #	Address		Owner
27	4523	ELSBY AVE	SEQUEL HOME BUILDERS LLC
28	4503	W LOVERS LN	CELEBRATION INC
29	4315	W LOVERS LN	BERRY & BRIGGS & BROWN & BERKLEY

FILE NUMBER: BDA156-038(SL)

BUILDING OFFICIAL'S REPORT: Application of Andrea Winters, represented by Marc Jennings, for a special exception to the off-street parking regulations at 4246 W. Lovers Lane. This property is more fully described as Lot 4, Block A/4991, and is zoned PD-326 (Area C), which requires off-street parking to be provided. The applicant proposes to construct and maintain a structure for an office use, and provide 11 of the required 16 parking spaces, which will require a 5 space special exception to the off-street parking regulations.

**LOCATION**: 4246 W. Lovers Lane

**APPLICANT:** Andrea Winters

Represented by Marc Jennings

### REQUEST:

A request for a special exception to the off-street parking regulations of 5 spaces is made to construct and maintain a two-story, approximately 5,200 square foot office structure/use on a site developed with a vacant single family structure/use, and provide 11 (or 69 percent) of the 16 required off-street parking spaces.

# STANDARD FOR A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO THE OFF-STREET PARKING REGULATIONS:

1) The Board of Adjustment may grant a special exception to authorize a reduction in the number of off-street parking spaces required under this article if the board finds. after a public hearing, that the parking demand generated by the use does not warrant the number of off-street parking spaces required, and the special exception would not create a traffic hazard or increase traffic congestion on adjacent and nearby streets. The maximum reduction authorized by this section is 25 percent or one space, whichever is greater, minus the number of parking spaces currently not provided due to delta credits, as defined in Section 51A-4.704(b)(A). For the commercial amusement (inside) use and the industrial (inside) use, the maximum reduction authorized by this section is 75 percent or one space, whichever is greater, minus the number of parking spaces currently not provided due to delta credits, as defined in Section 51A-4.704(b)(4)(A). For the office use, the maximum reduction authorized by this section is 35 percent or one space, whichever is greater, minus the number of parking spaces currently not provided due to delta credits, as defined in Section 51A-4.704(b)(4)(A). Applicants may seek a special exception to the parking requirements under this section and an administrative parking reduction under Section 51A-4.313. The greater reduction will apply, but the reduction may not be combined.

- 2) In determining whether to grant a special exception, the board shall consider the following factors:
  - (A) The extent to which the parking spaces provided will be remote, shared, or packed parking.
  - (B) The parking demand and trip generation characteristics of all uses for which the special exception is requested.
  - (C) Whether or not the subject property or any property in the general area is part of a modified delta overlay district.
  - (D) The current and probable future capacities of adjacent and nearby streets based on the city's thoroughfare plan.
  - (E) The availability of public transit and the likelihood of its use.
  - (F) The feasibility of parking mitigation measures and the likelihood of their effectiveness.
- 3) In granting a special exception, the board shall specify the uses to which the special exception applies. A special exception granted by the board for a particular use automatically and immediately terminates if and when that use is changed or discontinued.
- 4) In granting a special exception, the board may:
  - (A) Establish a termination date for the special exception or; otherwise provide for the reassessment of conditions after a specified period of time;
  - (B) Impose restrictions on access to or from the subject property; or
  - (C) Impose any other reasonable conditions that would have the effect of improving traffic safety or lessening congestion on the streets.
- 5) The board shall not grant a special exception to reduce the number of off-street parking spaces required in an ordinance granting or amending a specific use permit.
- 6) The board shall not grant a special exception to reduce the number of off-street parking spaces expressly required in the text or development plan of an ordinance establishing or amending regulations governing a specific planned development district. This prohibition does not apply when:
  - (A) the ordinance does not expressly specify a minimum number of spaces, but instead simply makes references to the existing off-street parking regulations in Chapter 51 or this chapter; or
  - (B) the regulations governing that specific district expressly authorize the board to grant the special exception.

# **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

#### Denial

#### Rationale:

 The Sustainable Development and Construction Department Project Engineer had recommended that this request be denied commenting "Lovers Lane is classified as a Minor Arterial with no apparent on-street parking available. Overflow parking would most likely result to parking along Areo Avenue and South Crest Haven Road potentially increasing traffic congestion."

 The applicant had not substantiated how the parking demand generated by the proposed office use does not warrant the number of off-street parking spaces required, and the special exception would not create a traffic hazard or increase traffic congestion on adjacent and nearby streets.

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

# **Zoning:**

Site: PD 326 (Area C) (Planned Development)
North: PD 326 (Area A) (Planned Development)

South: R-7.5(A) (Single family residential 7,500 square feet)

East: PD 326 (Area C) (Planned Development)
West: PD 326 (Area C) (Planned Development)

# Land Use:

The subject site is developed with a vacant single family use/structure that the applicant proposes to demolish and replace with an office structure/use. The area to the north is developed with what appears to be an office use and undeveloped land; the areas to the east and west are developed with office uses; and the area to the south is developed with single family uses.

# **Zoning/BDA History**:

There has not been any recent related board or zoning cases recorded either on or in the immediate vicinity of the subject site.

### **GENERAL FACTS/STAFF ANALYSIS:**

- This request focuses on constructing and maintaining a two-story, approximately 5,200 square foot office structure/use on a site developed with a vacant single family structure/use, and providing 11 (or 69 percent) of the 16 required off-street parking spaces.
- The site is zoned PD 326 (Area C) which refers to the use regulations provided in Chapter 51A for specific off-street parking requirements.
- The Dallas Development Code requires the following off-street parking requirement:
   Office use: 1 space per 333 square feet of floor area.
- The applicant proposes to provide 11 (or 77 percent) of the required 15 off-street parking spaces in conjunction with the construction of the approximately 5,200 square foot structure on the site being office use.
- The Sustainable Development Department Project Engineer submitted a review comment sheet marked "Recommends that this be denied" commenting: "Lovers Lane is classified as a Minor Arterial with no apparent on-street parking available. Overflow parking would most likely result to parking along Areo Avenue and South Crest Haven Road potentially increasing traffic congestion."

- The applicant has the burden of proof in establishing the following:
  - The parking demand generated by the personal service use on the site does not warrant the number of off-street parking spaces required, and
  - The special exception of 5 spaces (or a 31 percent reduction of the required offstreet parking) would not create a traffic hazard or increase traffic congestion on adjacent and nearby streets.
- If the Board were to grant this request, and impose the condition that the special exception of 5 spaces shall automatically and immediately terminate if and when the office use is changed or discontinued, the applicant would be permitted to construct and maintain a two-story, approximately 5,200 square foot office structure/use on a site, and provide 11 (or 69 percent) of the 16 required off-street parking spaces.

# Timeline:

February 25, 2016: The applicant submitted an "Application/Appeal to the Board of Adjustment" and related documents which have been included as part of this case report.

March 15, 2016: The Board of Adjustment Secretary randomly assigned this case to Board of Adjustment Panel B.

March 15, 2016: The Board Administrator emailed the applicant the following information:

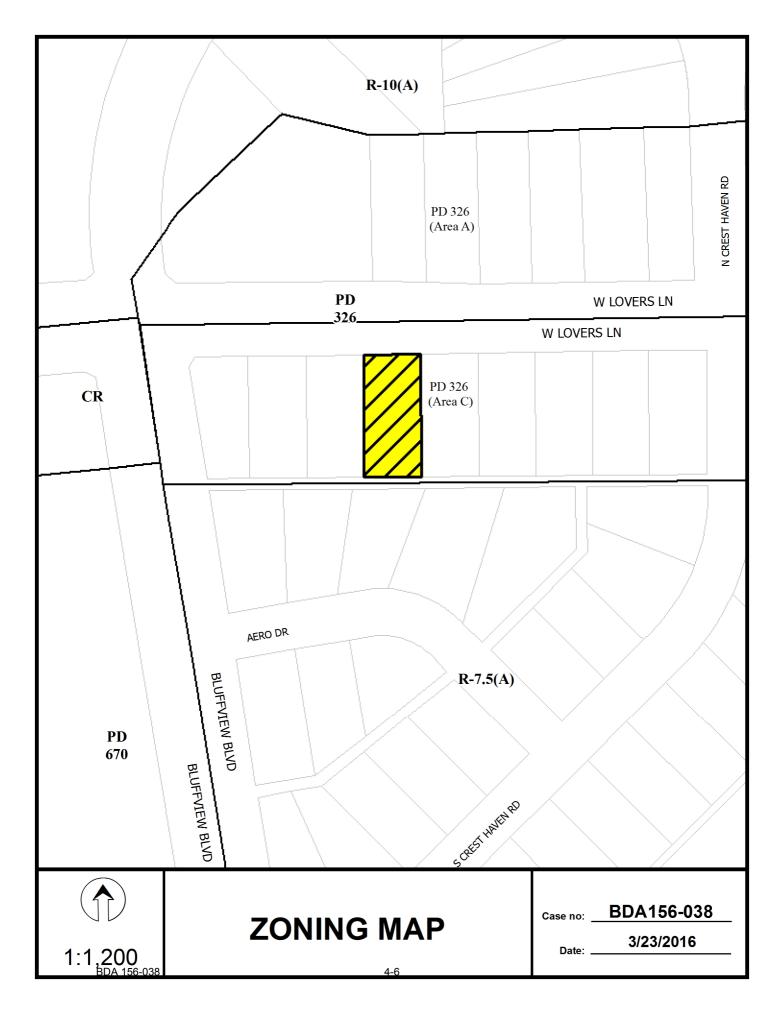
- a copy of the application materials including the Building Official's report on the application;
- an attachment that provided the public hearing date and panel that will consider the application; the March 30<sup>th</sup> deadline to submit additional evidence for staff to factor into their analysis; and the April 8<sup>th</sup> deadline to submit additional evidence to be incorporated into the Board's docket materials;
- the criteria/standard that the board will use in their decision to approve or deny the request; and
- the Board of Adjustment Working Rules of Procedure pertaining to "documentary evidence."

April 5, 2016:

The Board of Adjustment staff review team meeting was held regarding this request and the others scheduled for April public hearings. Review team members in attendance included: the Sustainable Development and Construction Interim Assistant Director, the Sustainable Development and Construction Board of Adjustment Chief Planner, the Sustainable Development and Construction Building Inspection Chief Planner, the Board Administrator. the Building Inspection Senior Plans Examiners/Development Code Specialist. the Sustainable Development and Construction Project Engineers, the City of Chief Arborist, the Sustainable Development and Construction Board of Adjustment Senior Planner, and the Assistant City Attorneys to the Board.

April 7, 2016:

The Sustainable Development and Construction Department Project Engineer submitted a review comment sheet marked "Lovers Lane is classified as a Minor Arterial with no apparent onstreet parking available. Overflow parking would most likely result to parking along Areo Avenue and South Crest Haven Road potentially increasing traffic congestion."







# APPLICATION/APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

	Case No.: BDA <u>156-638</u>
Data Relative to Subject Property:	Date: 62-25-16
Location address: 4246 W. LOVERS LANE	Zoning District: PD326 (Area
Lot No.: 4 Block No.: A/4991 Acreage: 0.19	
Street Frontage (in Feet): 1) 62' 2) 3)	4)5)121A
To the Honorable Board of Adjustment:	NWIN
Owner of Property (per Warranty Deed): 4246 WL PROPERTIE	S LLC
Applicant: Andrea Winters (4246 WL PROPERTIES LLC)	Telephone:
Mailing Address: 5944 Luther Lane #750, Dallas, TX	Zip Code: _75225
E-mail Address: awinters@awinterslaw.com	
Represented by: Marc Jennings (3J Design, PLLC)	Telephone: _214-395-6015
Mailing Address: <u>5232 Forest Lane, Suite 139, Dallas, TX</u>	Zip Code: <u>75244</u>
E-mail Address: marc@3jdesign.com	
Affirm that an appeal has been made for a Variance, or Special Exce A parking space requirement reduction (25% reduction) F	ption X, of
Application is made to the Board of Adjustment, in accordance with the Development Code, to grant the described appeal for the following reaso The owners/tenants of the building are estate planning and tax law attorneys wit that they are required to keep. The applicant is proposing to build a basement for development to be located at the address listed above. The City of Dallas is required for the file storage area as though it were "Office" space. The applicant is request parking requirements for the development to allow for physical file storage.  Note to Applicant: If the appeal requested in this application is grant permit be applied for within 180 days of the date of the final act	h a large amount of physical client files r said physical file storage in the new diring the applicant to provide parking sting a 25% reduction (# spaces) to the steel by the Board of Adjustment, a
specifically grants a longer period.  Affidavit	
Before me the undersigned on this day personally appeared (Affi who on (his/her) oath certifies that the above statements are to knowledge and that he/she is the owner/or principal/or authorize property.	fiant/Applicant's name printed) rue and correct to his/her best ed representative of the subject
Respectfully submitted:	which will
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22 day of fibrus	iffiant/Applicant's signature)  Any , 2016  And Aric Ausobeh  lic in and for Dallas County, Texas
Expires April 23, 2017	

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# **Building Official's Report**

I hereby certify that

Andrea Winters

represented by

MARC JENNINGS

did submit a request

for a special exception to the parking regulations

at 4246 W. Lovers Lane

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Sincerely,

Philip Sikes, Building Official

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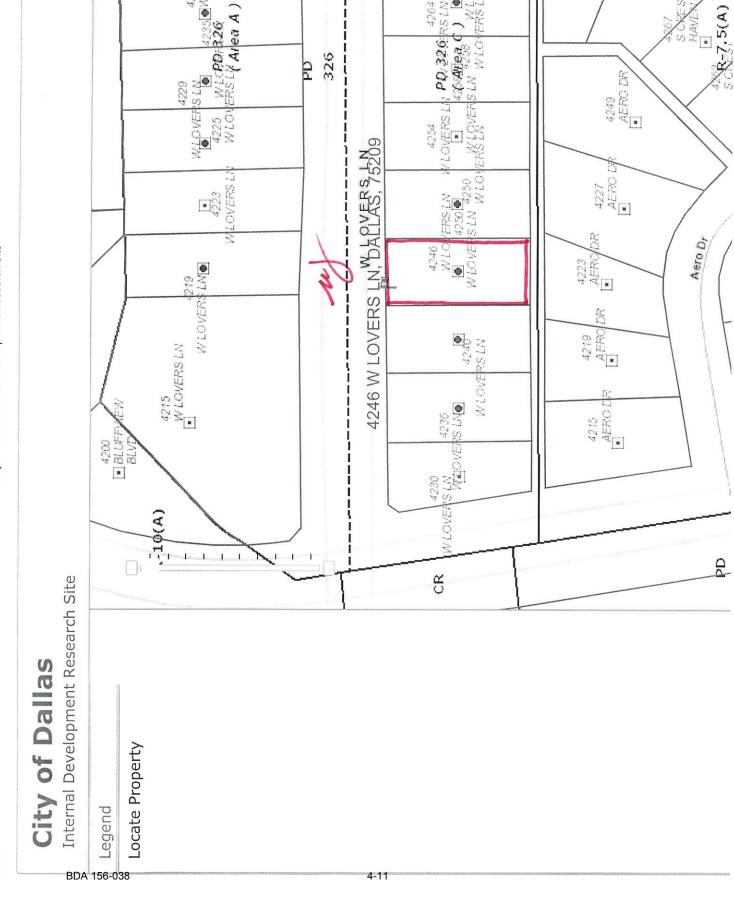


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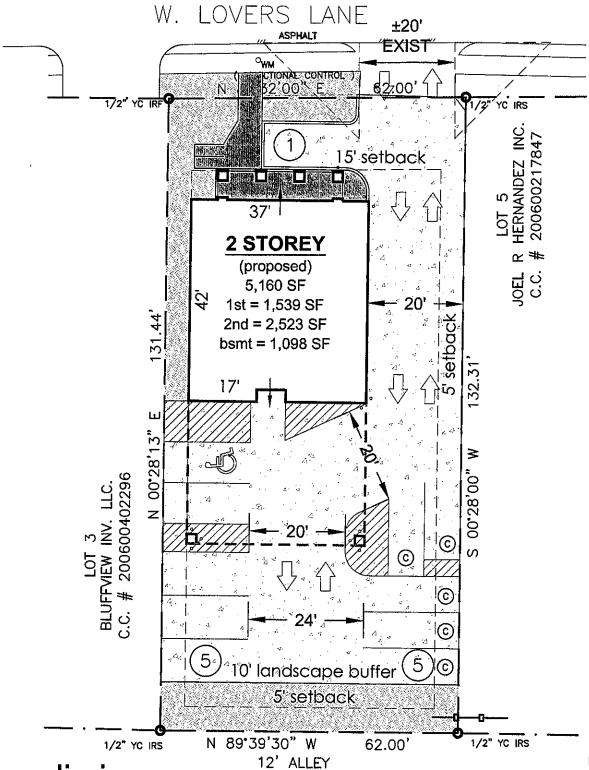
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326 PD

4246 W. Lovers Ln. Dallas, TX 75209

 A "Special Exception: Parking Demand" parking reduction will be req'd from the Board of Adjustment, but may not exceed 35% of required. 1. This site plan is preliminary and subject to approval by the City of Dallas



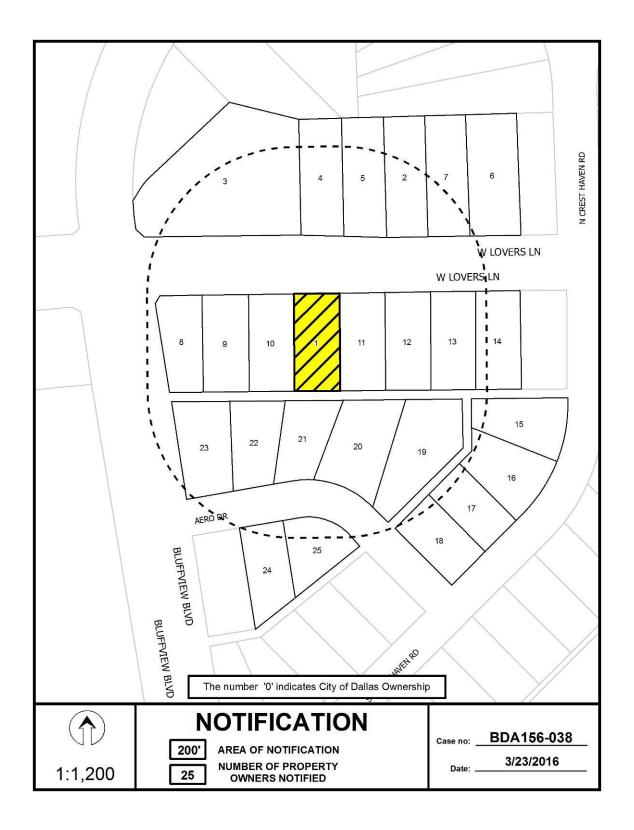
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TRUE NORTH

1" = 20'-0" (ON 8.5" x 11")

3J DESIGN

PROJECT : DATE: 15006 02,24,16



# Notification List of Property Owners BDA156-038

# 25 Property Owners Notified

Label #	Address		Owner
1	4246	W LOVERS LN	LONGHI SAN JUAN &
2	4225	W LOVERS LN	BOONE MICHAEL L
3	4215	W LOVERS LN	SUN COAST LB ASSOCIATES
4	4219	W LOVERS LN	WILL BV ASSOCIATES LLC
5	4223	W LOVERS LN	WLL BV ASSOCIATES LLC
6	4235	W LOVERS LN	HERNANDEZ ONESIMO ESTATE
7	4229	W LOVERS LN	BANKS BENNY L
8	4230	W LOVERS LN	OLERIO LOUIS M JR
9	4236	W LOVERS LN	MIDCITIES INVESTMENTS
10	4240	W LOVERS LN	BLUFFVIEW INV LLC
11	4250	W LOVERS LN	JOEL R HERNANDEZ INC
12	4254	W LOVERS LN	DAVIS RONDI HILLSTROM
13	4258	W LOVERS LN	SINGLER JEFFREY JOHN
14	4264	W LOVERS LN	HUDSON STANLEY D & DANA C
15	4283	S CRESTHAVEN RD	GONZALES BRANDY &
16	4275	S CRESTHAVEN RD	ACOSTA JESSE JR &
17	4267	S CRESTHAVEN RD	RUSSELL RUFUS D LIFE EST
18	4263	S CRESTHAVEN RD	ROYE JAMES ANDREW
19	4249	AERO DR	WEATHERLY ELIOT
20	4227	AERO DR	ALVAREZ SANDRO & CLARISSA
21	4223	AERO DR	PUERTA CAMILO R
22	4219	AERO DR	SWANSON KARA FITE
23	4215	AERO DR	SPEED ED REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST
24	4234	AERO DR	MONTALVO ROSA MARIA
25	4242	AERO DR	PETERSON MARY L