### ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT, PANEL B WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 2014 AGENDA

| BRIEFING<br>PUBLIC HEARING | 11:00 A.M.<br>1:00 P.M.   |    |
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|                            | Neva Dean, Interim Assistant Director<br>Steve Long, Board Administrator  |    |
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**BDA 134-009** 4202 Bretton Bay Lane **REQUEST:** Application of Michael Spero for special exceptions to the fence height and visual obstruction regulations

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### **REGULAR CASES**

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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]

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### BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT CITY OF DALLAS, TEXAS

### **MISCELLANEOUS ITEM NO. 1**

To approve the Board of Adjustment Panel B March 19, 2014 public hearing minutes.

### MISCELLANEOUS ITEM NO. 2

### FILE NUMBER: BDA 134-030

- **<u>REQUEST</u>**: To reimburse the filing fee submitted in conjunction with a request for a special exception to the fence height regulations
- **LOCATION**: 5604 Pleasant Ridge Drive
- APPLICANT: Michael and Melissa Drake

### STANDARD FOR A FEE WAIVER OR A FEE REIMBURSEMENT:

The Dallas Development Code states that the board may waive the filing fee for a board of adjustment application if the board finds that payment of the fee would result in substantial financial hardship to the applicant.

The Dallas Development Code further states:

- The applicant may either pay the fee and request reimbursement at the hearing on the matter or request that the issue of financial hardship be placed on the board's miscellaneous docket for predetermination.
- In making this determination, the board may require the production of financial documents.

### Timeline:

- February 24, 2014: 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 12, 2014: The Board of Adjustment Secretary randomly assigned this case to Board of Adjustment Panel B.
- March 12, 2014: The Board Administrator contacted the applicant and emailed him the following information:
  - an attachment that provided the public hearing date and panel that will consider the application; the March 26<sup>th</sup> deadline to submit additional evidence for staff to factor into their analysis; and the April 11<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;

- the Board of Adjustment Working Rules of Procedure pertaining to documentary evidence; and
- the provision from the Dallas Development Code allowing the board to reimburse the filing fee (51A- 1.105 (b)(6)) noting that if the applicant were to add this fee reimbursement request, staff would encourage the applicant to submit any documentation that shows how payment of the filing fee results in substantial financial hardship to the applicant, - i.e. additional financial documents as in but not limited to copies of 1040's, W-4's, bank statements - all with account numbers redacted.
- March 26, 2014: The applicant/owners of the property submitted a letter (and related information) requesting reimbursement of the filing fee submitted in conjunction with this application (see Attachment A).
- March 26, 2014: The Board Administrator emailed the applicant/owners certain information about the fee reimbursement request (see Attachment B).
- March 26, 2014: The applicant submitted additional information pertaining to the fee reimbursement request (see Attachment C).

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Dear Variance Appeal Board, c/o Mr. Steve Long:

On December 4, 2013, Greg Davis obtained a permit from the City of Dallas to install a fence on our property at 5604 Pleasant Ridge Drive in Dallas. Upon his obtaining this permit, my wife Melissa and I entered into a contract with Greg Davis to build and install this fence, which was custom designed for our yard. The day before the fence panels were to be installed, which was nearly three weeks later, Greg Davis was contacted by the City of Dallas and told the permit issued by the City of Dallas was invalid and should not have been issued and that we would have to pursue this variance.

As a result, we find ourselves in the dubious position of being forced to pay a fee to protect our investment in the fence, a position caused by the mistake made by the City of Dallas. Further, as this fence was custom built, it could not be reused elsewhere. Therefore, we respectfully request that the usual variance appeal fee of \$600 be reimbursed.

In the last few days, it has been brought to our attention that the City of Dallas disputes our perception that it is responsible for the permit having been issued in error. We have been informed that the city's computer system indicates there was insufficient documentation provided by Greg Davis at the time the permit was issued. We would like to address this point.

Let us begin by calling the board's attention to the city's own pamphlet entitled "How to Get a Fence Permit" accessible at the following URL: <u>http://www.dallascityhall.com/building\_inspection/pdf/How-to\_fence.pdf</u> (attached). Specifically, we note in the section "What are the Procedures?" the following directions:

"Complete and submit an application to Building Inspection. See this pamphlet for directions to our locations and internet site. The application form can be downloaded from our internet site. Applicants are usually not required to submit a site plan."

We are confident that the proper application was, in fact, submitted to Building Inspection together with the permit fee because the permit was issued. Further, we can find no indication in the city's pamphlet that additional documentation should be required, since, as the pamphlet says, "Applicants are usually not required to submit a site plan." We would assume if a site plan was required, that the city would not issue a permit until the site plan were made available, and the fact remains that the city issued us a permit. If any other documents should have been required, they were not mentioned in the city's pamphlet.

Additionally, we would like to call the board's attention to the section "When is a fence permit required?" This section states as follows:

"A fence permit is required to erect a fence or wall over four (4) feet in a required front yard setback or over six (6) feet high if located elsewhere on private property."

If we had intended to install a fence that was not over four feet high in the front yard, we would not have sought a permit. The very fact that we sought a permit should have indicated the intention to build a fence of greater height. In our zone, it turns out it would have been pointless for us to request a permit for any fence that did not first require a variance because the height requirements mandating a permit are the same as those mandating a variance. We can understand how we would not have known this (indeed, we had no idea we needed a variance because the permit had been issued), but shouldn't the City of Dallas have known the need for a variance in our zone just by receiving a permit application for a fence at our address? And yet, the fact remains that the city issued us a permit.

Finally, there is a section in this pamphlet entitled, "What Special Regulations Should I be Aware of." Following the directions as given for using <u>www.dallascityhall.com</u> to locate our zone, we find that we

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are in "PD 226". Apparently, this refers to a Planned Development District, which, we assume, is the reason the variance (not just a permit) is required. While we did not know we were in such a zone at the time Greg Davis requested the permit, apparently, the office that issued the permit did not know that either because it issued the permit.

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In conclusion, we cannot agree with the City of Dallas, that the issuance of the fence permit was not the city's mistake. We would not have commissioned this taller fence had the permit not been issued and certainly not until any additional requirements (e.g. this variance appeal) had been cleared. We feel we were misled into believing we had all the necessary permissions to erect this fence. During the months we have been waiting for our hearing, tall, iron posts have been sticking up in our front yard, the incomplete work begun as a result of a permit that was not honored.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Drake, Jr.

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# **WHAT ARE THE PROCEDURES**?

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The cost is based on the value of the work with a minimum fee of \$100.00.

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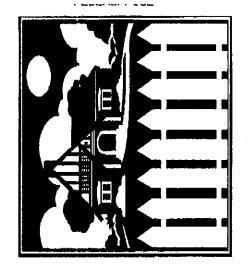
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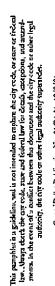
echnical questions. For direct access to the E 2|4-670-5313 or access the system online at You can obtain more information about the processes described in this brochure, access the Dallas Development Code, see zoning maps, and download the forms used for permit questions or route you to appropriate staff for by locating City Departments then click on Building Inspection. answer your general For telephone assistance, call 214-948-4480. System, nteractive Voice Response www.dallascityhali.com Our heipful staff will applications.

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| e in one of these districts and to obtain<br>stails about district regulations, call <b>214-948</b> .<br><b>480</b> or look at the zoning maps on our<br>ternet site at www.dallascityhall.com. Locate<br>ity Departments, then click on Department of<br>evelopment Services, and finally Zoning Maps. | Ş       |  | <ul> <li>property line.</li> <li>Fences may not be located in easements.</li> <li>Swimming pool enclosures have additional fence regulations. See the "How to get a Swimming Pool Permit" guide at any Building Inspection office, call 214-948-4480 or check our Internet web page.</li> </ul>   |
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·   | Ś       | 20° alley or<br>20° driveway<br>curb or street<br>edge | <ul> <li>All fences must provide fire-fighting access to the side and rear yard.</li> <li>A fence must not be placed within a visibility triangle at street, alley of driveway intersections if the fence is higher than two and a half (2 1/2) feet measured from the top of the adjacent street curb See the illustration on the following page.</li> </ul> |
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| From:        | Long, Steve  |
| Sent:        | Wednesday, March 26, 2014 10:57 AM   |
| То:          | 'melissa.drake@paladinlogic.com'   |
| Cc:          | Duerksen, Todd; Dean, Neva; Way, Jamilah; Jimenez, Danielle;<br>'greg@fenceinvestments.com'                      |
| Subject:     | FW: BDA 134-030, Property at 5609 Pleasant Ridge Drive   |
| Attachments: | Panel B hearing date and deadlines.doc; documentary evidence.pdf; fee waiver and reimbursement.pdf; Attach A.pdf |

Dear Mrs. Drake,

Here is information regarding your miscellaneous item request for a reimbursement of the filing fee submitted in conjunction with the application referenced above that we just spoke about on the phone:

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Please write or call me at 214/670-4666 or my colleague, Danielle Jimenez, at (214) 671-9619 if we can be of any additional assistance to you.

Thanks,

Steve

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Steve Long, Board of Adjustment Administrator City of Dallas Sustainable Development and Construction 1500 Marilla Street, Room 5BN Dallas, Texas 75201

From: Long, Steve
Sent: Wednesday, March 12, 2014 2:41 PM
To: 'greg@fenceinvestments.com'
Cc: Duerksen, Todd; Jimenez, Danielle
Subject: BDA 134-030, Property at 5609 Pleasant Ridge Drive

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Please review the Building Official's Report/second page of your application (page 2 of 6 in the attached application materials) and contact Todd Duerksen at 214/948-4475 no later than noon, Wednesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> with regard to any amendment that you feel is necessary to address the issue at hand, specifically if for any reason you feel that the statement in his report stating that the maximum height of your proposal to be located in the front yard setback at 7 feet 6 inches is incorrect. (Note that the discovery of any additional appeal needed other than the fence height special exception request beyond March 26<sup>th</sup> will result in postponement of the appeal until the panel's next regularly scheduled public hearing).

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| From:    | Greg Davis <greg@fenceinvestments.com></greg@fenceinvestments.com> |
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| Sent:    | Wednesday, March 26, 2014 12:32 PM                                 |
| To:      | Melissa Jeanette; Long, Steve                                      |
| Cc:      | Michael Drake; Duerksen, Todd                                      |
| Subject: | Re: FW: BDA 134-030, Property at 5609 Pleasant Ridge Drive         |

For clarity,

when I applied for the fence permit on December 4rth I brought a survey plat (site plan with details) about the fence height. The technician reviewed

and issued a permit on the spot. Actually a first for me. Over the past 10 years, I have applied for a fence permit & always brought a birds eye view

of the survey plat/site plan. I would not have come all the way from south Denton to apply for a fence that does not need a permit.

I asked for reimbursement & sought legal council. The city supervisor referred me to Todd D. And the city supervisor stated he would do everything

possible to assist us. I have not heard from him since! Having already custom built this non refundable iron product we were given no other options

from the city but to go through the variance process. If I conducted my business this way, I would not be in business!

What we are asking is for fairness. We are asking the board to waive the \$600 variance fee. Not to mention a day lost with gathering documents, document fees, parking fees.

Also, the iron that we custom built was a 5' fence with a arched drive way gate that is 7' 6" at its peak.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely, Greg Davis Owner of Landscape Investments LLC

On Wed, Mar 26, 2014 at 11:34 AM, Melissa Jeanette <<u>tradcatholiclass@gmail.com</u>> wrote: Hello Mr Davis,

Below is a copy of an email I just received from Steve and attached (called "attach a.pdf") is a copy of the fax we sent him this morning. The fax is a letter asking that the variance fee be reimbursed. We had faxed a reimbursement request to Steve a number of weeks ago, but for some reason Steve wanted another request to be submitted, hence this fax we sent him this morning. In it we outline the reason why we are asking for the reimbursement and we also addressed a point Steve made to me on the phone yesterday.

Thank you for forwarding a copy of the permit. Michael and I didn't see on the permit where it was specified that a fence over 4' high was being built ... was this information perhaps given in the permit application? Steve said some odd things on the phone to me yesterday (which was why I left you a message - I was hoping to fill

you in on everything he said to me). One of the things he said was that "if they (the City) had known we were building a fence that high they wouldn't have granted the permit". Now, I don't believe this (Steve has given me a lot of contradicting information already so I don't believe this), but it did make me wonder when I didn't see the fence height specified on the permit itself...

One other question about the permit - it says it is to be displayed at the work site...does this mean we need to actually post the permit outside somehow, or do we just need to have it in our possession if anyone asks to see it?

Of course feel free to call ... 972-761-1950.

Thanks! Melissa & Michael

------Forwarded message ------From: Melissa Drake <<u>mhinze@paladinlogic.com</u>> Date: Wed, Mar 26, 2014 at 11:15 AM Subject: Fwd: FW: BDA 134-030, Property at 5609 Pleasant Ridge Drive To: <u>tradcatholiclass@gmail.com</u>

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Dallas, Texas 75201

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Melissa Drake Executive Vice President Paladin Logic, Limited <u>214-635-4788</u> <u>melissa.drake@paladinlogic.com</u>

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May the Heart of Jesus in the most Blessed Sacrament be praised, adored, and loved with grateful affection, at every moment, in all the tabernacles of the world, even to the end of time. (Pius IX, Feb 29, 1868)

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### FILE NUMBER: BDA 134-031

**BUILDING OFFICIAL'S REPORT:** Application of Ignacio Santos, represented by Yesenia Casas, for special exceptions to the fence height and visual obstruction regulations at 4473 W. Red Bird Lane. This property is more fully described as tract 166. Block 6949, and is zoned R-7.5(A), which limits the height of a fence in the front yard to 4 feet and requires a 20 foot visibility triangle at driveway approaches. The applicant proposes to construct and maintain a 6 foot high fence, which will require a 2 foot special exception to the fence height regulations, and to locate and maintain items in required visibility triangles, which will require special exceptions to the visual obstruction regulations.

LOCATION: 4473 W. Red Bird Lane

### APPLICANT: Ignacio Santos Represented by Yesenia Casas

### REQUESTS:

The following requests have been made on a site that is currently being developed with a single family home/use:

- 1. A request for a special exception to the fence height regulations of 2' is made to construct/maintain a 5' 6" high fence (4' 6" high open metal pickets atop a 1' high masonry base) with 6' high masonry columns, and two, 5' 6" high open picket gates with 6' high masonry entry gate columns in the site's 25' front yard setback.
- 2. Requests for special exceptions to the visual obstruction regulations are made to locate/maintain portions of the aforementioned fence and columns in the 20' visibility triangles on east side of the western driveway and the west side of the eastern driveways into the site from Red Bird Lane.

### STANDARD FOR A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO FENCE HEIGHT REGULATIONS:

Section 51A-4.602 of the Dallas Development Code states that the board may grant a special exception to the height requirement for fences when in the opinion of the board, the special exception will not adversely affect neighboring property.

### 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 (fence height):

No staff recommendation is made on this or any request for a special exception to the fence height regulations since the basis for this type of appeal is when in the opinion of the board, the special exception will not adversely affect neighboring property.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION (visual obstruction):

Approval, subject to the following condition:

• Compliance with the submitted site plan and partial elevation is required.

Rationale:

- The Sustainable Development and Construction Department Senior Engineer has indicated that he has no objections to these requests.
- The applicant has substantiated how the location of portions of a proposed 5' 6" high fence (4' 6" high open metal pickets atop a 1' high masonry base) with 6' high masonry columns proposed in the 20' visibility triangles on east side of the western driveway and the west side of the eastern driveways into the site from Red Bird Lane does not constitute a traffic hazard.

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

### Zoning:

| <u>Site</u> : | R-7.5(A) (Single family district 7,500 square feet) |
|---------------|---|
| North:        | R-7.5(A) (Single family district 7,500 square feet) |
| South:        | City of Duncanville                                 |
| East:         | R-7.5(A) (Single family district 7,500 square feet) |
| West:         | R-7.5(A) (Single family district 7,500 square feet) |

### Land Use:

The subject site is being developed with a single family home. The areas to the north, and west are developed with single family uses; the area to the east is undeveloped; and the area to the south in the City of Duncanville is a combination of vacant land and retail 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.

### Timeline:

- February 25, 2014: 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 12, 2014: The Board of Adjustment Secretary randomly assigned this case to Board of Adjustment Panel B.
- March 12, 2014: The Board Administrator emailed the following information to the applicant:
  - an attachment that provided the public hearing date and panel that will consider the application; the March 26<sup>th</sup> deadline to submit additional evidence for staff to factor into their analysis; and the April 11<sup>th</sup> deadline to submit additional evidence to be incorporated into the Board's docket materials;
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### GENERAL FACTS/STAFF ANALYSIS (fence height):

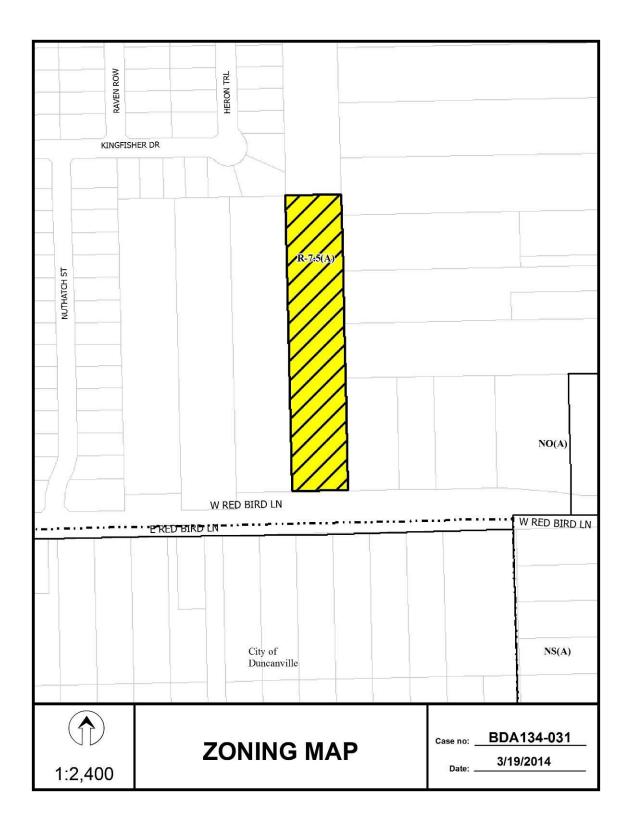
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- The Dallas Development Code states that in all residential districts except multifamily districts, a fence may not exceed 4' above grade when located in the required front yard.

- The applicant has submitted a site plan and a partial elevation of the proposal in the front yard setback that reaches a maximum height of 6'.
- The following additional information was gleaned from the submitted site plan:
  - The proposal is represented as being approximately 150' in length parallel to the Red Bird Lane. (The proposed fence and gates are setback approximately 10' from the fence).
  - The fence proposal is represented as being located approximately 8' from the property line or about 17' from the pavement line. (The proposed gates are represented as being located approximately 15' from the property line or about 24' from the pavement line).
- The Board Administrator conducted a field visit of the site and surrounding area and noted no other fences above 4 feet high which appeared to be located in a front yard setback.
- No homes front the proposal.
- As of April 14, 2014, no letters have been submitted in support of or in opposition to the request.
- The applicant has the burden of proof in establishing that the special exception to the fence height regulations of 4' will not adversely affect neighboring property.
- Granting this special exception of 4' with a condition imposed that the applicant complies with the submitted site plan and partial elevation would require the proposal exceeding 4' in height in the front yard setback to be constructed/maintained in the location and of the heights and materials as shown on these documents.

### **GENERAL FACTS/STAFF ANALYSIS (visual obstruction):**

- These requests focus on locating/maintaining portions of the an open metal picket fence and masonry columns in the 20' visibility triangles on east side of the western driveway and the west side of the eastern driveways into the site from Red Bird Lane. (The 1' high masonry base of the proposed fence is not a factor in this request given that it is below the 2.5' height at which the visibility triangles begin).
- 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 and partial elevation has been submitted indicating portions of a 5' 6" high fence (4' 6" high open metal pickets atop a 1' high masonry base) with 6' high masonry columns in the 20' visibility triangles in the 20' visibility triangles on east side of the western driveway and the west side of the eastern driveways into the site from Red Bird Lane.
- The Sustainable Development and Construction Department Senior Engineer submitted a review comment sheet marked "Has no objections."

- The applicant has the burden of proof in establishing how granting the requests for special exceptions to the visual obstruction regulations to locate/maintain portions of 5' 6" high fence (4' 6" high open metal pickets atop a 1' high masonry base) with 6' high masonry columns in the 20' visibility triangles on east side of the western driveway and the west side of the eastern driveways into the site from Red Bird Lane does not constitute a traffic hazard.
- Granting these requests with a condition imposed that the applicant complies with the submitted site plan and partial elevation would require the items as described above to be limited to and maintained in the locations, height and materials as shown on these documents.





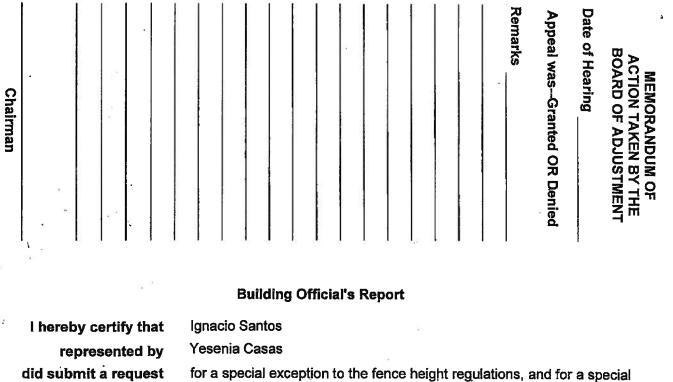


### APPLICATION/APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

|  | Case No.: BDA 134-031   |
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| Data Relative to Subject Property:   | Date: 02-25-14  |
| Location address: 4473 W. RED BIRD   | Zoning District: R-76(4)  |
| Lot No. 166 Block No.: 6949 Acreage: 3+/-  | Census Tract: 20  |
| Street Frontage (in Feet): 1) 152.44 2) 3)   | 4) 5) ,   |
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| Owner of Property (per Warranty Deed): IGNACID SANTO   | S AND MARIA SANTOS  |
| Applicant: IGNACIO SANTOS  | _Telephone: (992) 296-5813  |
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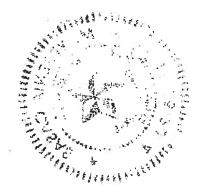


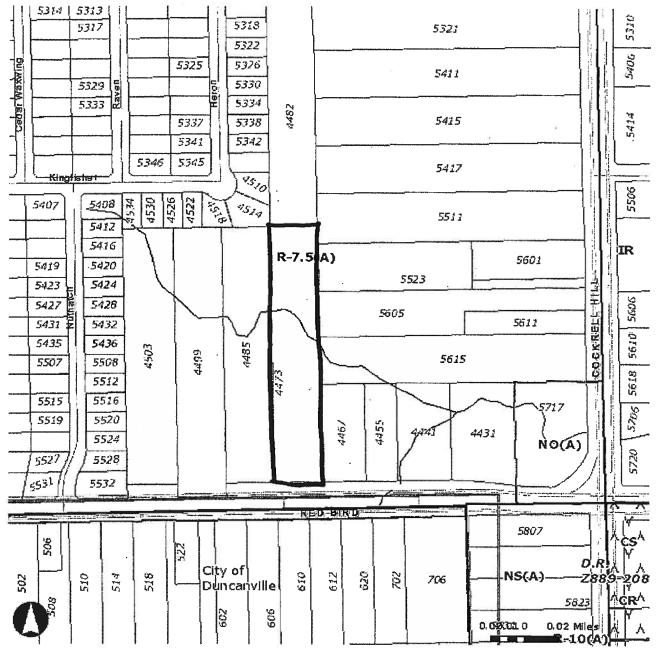
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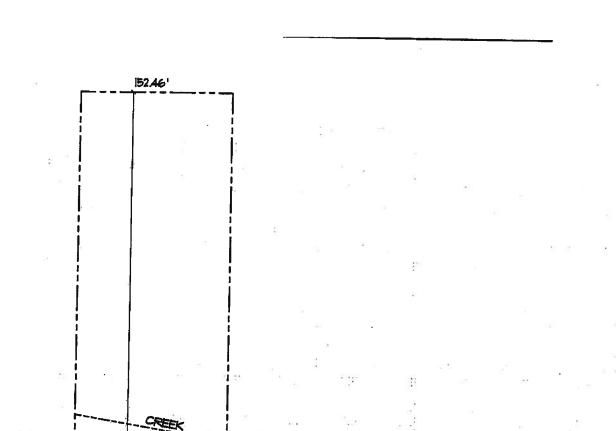
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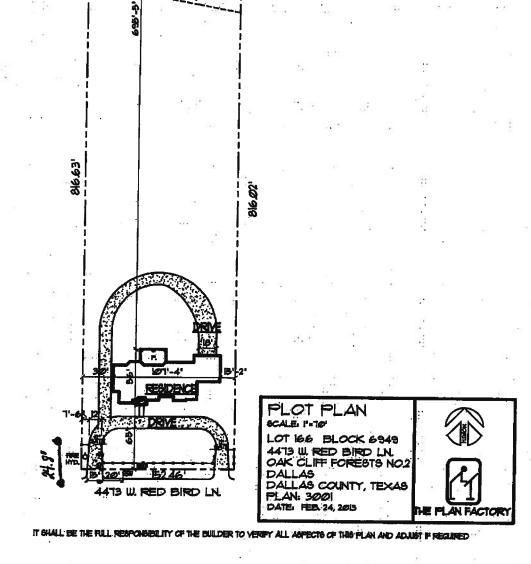
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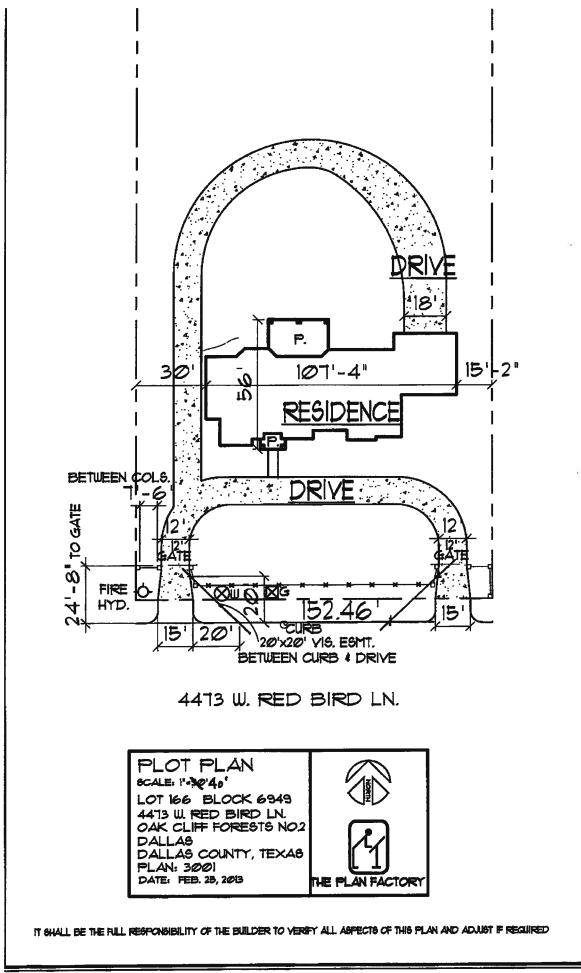
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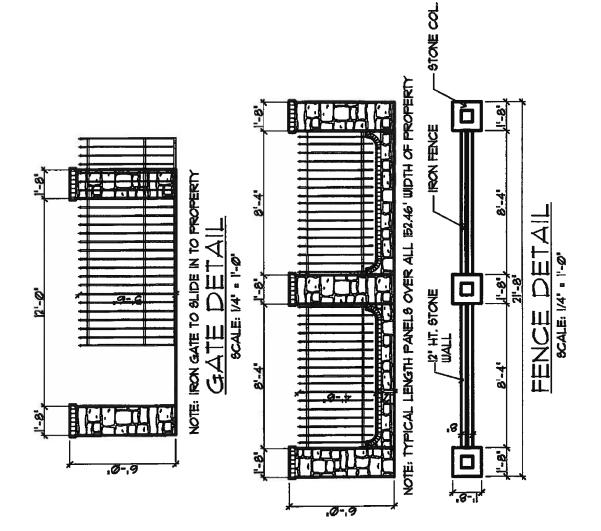




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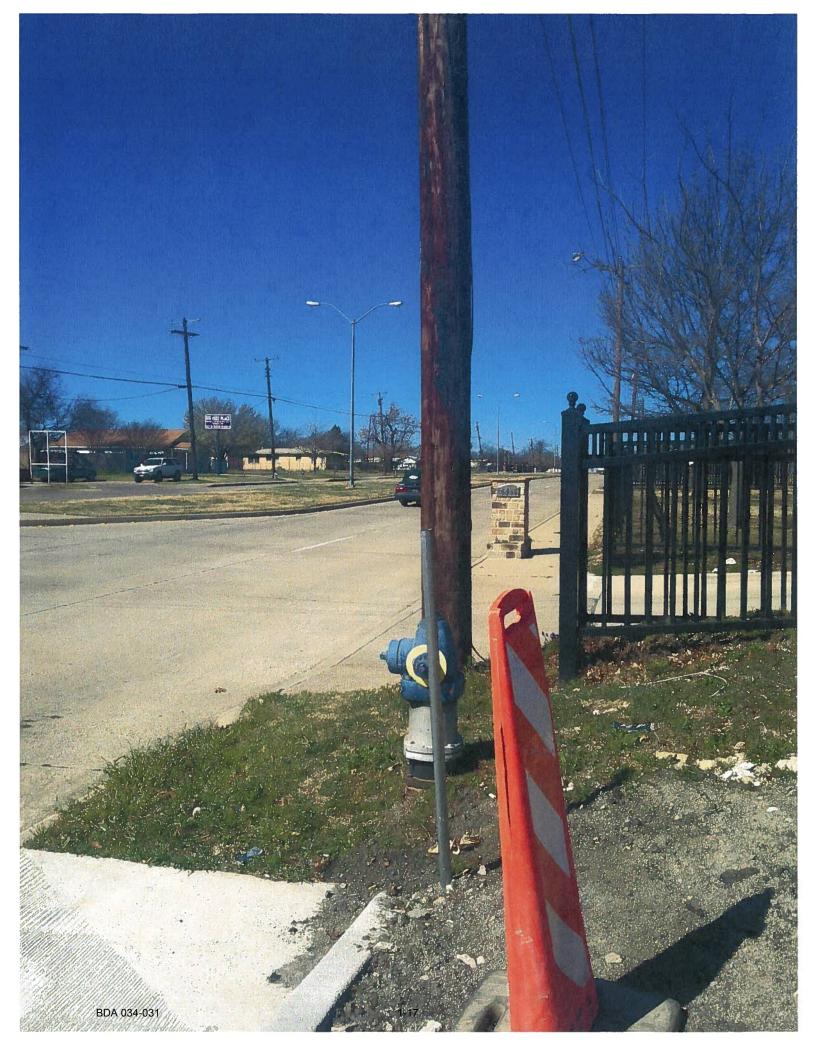
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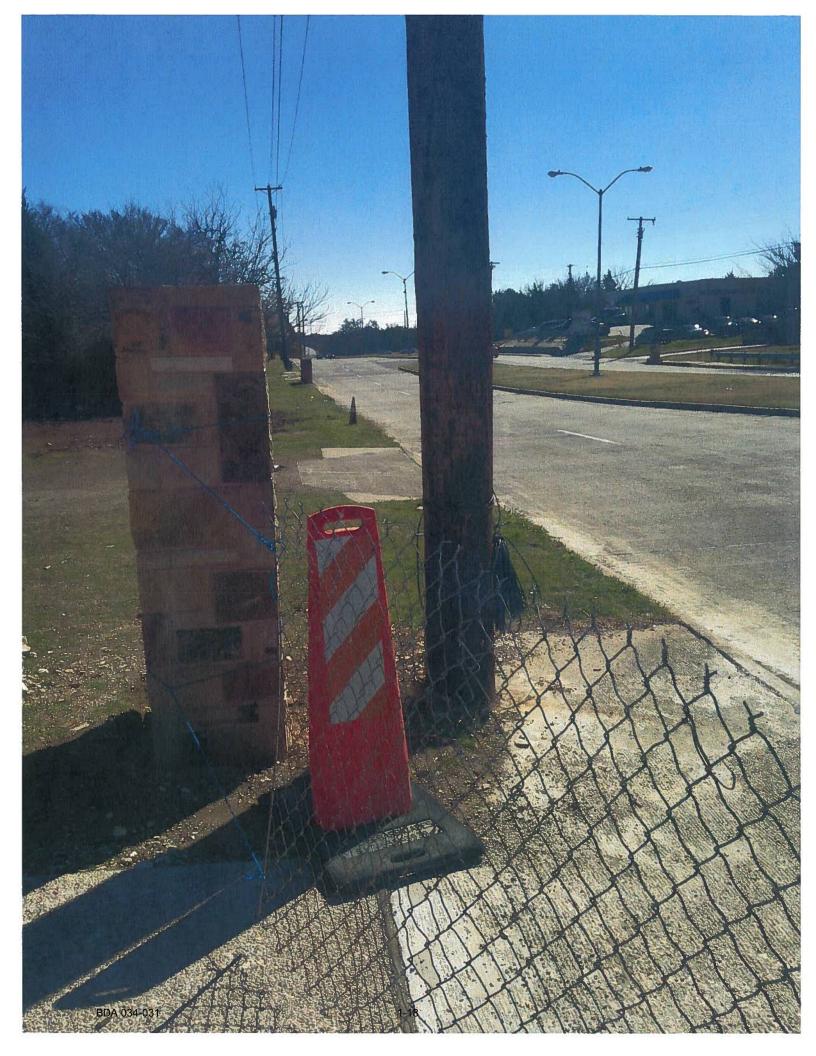
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Please find attached the pictures taken from both driveway approaches. The temporary chain link fence shown is there for the current home construction process and its indeed temporary. Please review and inform me of your thoughts.

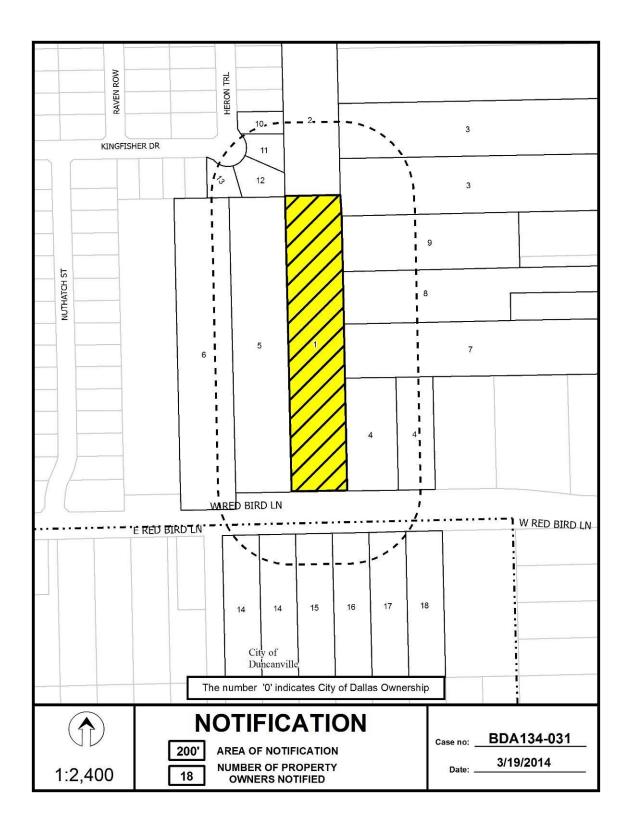
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## Notification List of Property Owners

## BDA134-031

#### 18 Property Owners Notified

| Label # | Address |                  | Owner                                |
|---------|---------|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1       | 4473    | RED BIRD LN      | IMS PROPERTIES LLC                   |
| 2       | 4482    | BARSTOW BLVD     | HERNANDEZ FELIPE                     |
| 3       | 5511    | COCKRELL HILL RD | TURNQUIST MICHELE A TR               |
| 4       | 4455    | RED BIRD LN      | SANTOS IGNACIO & SANTOS YVONNE       |
| 5       | 4485    | RED BIRD LN      | SANTOS IGNACIO J TR & MARIA D TR     |
| 6       | 4499    | RED BIRD LN      | GUZMAN GUMARO & MARIA D              |
| 7       | 5615    | COCKRELL HILL RD | MARCHAN GERARDO                      |
| 8       | 5605    | COCKRELL HILL RD | AYALA DOMINGO OCHOA JR               |
| 9       | 5523    | COCKRELL HILL RD | ARMENDARIZ SAUL & ARMENDARIZ CECILIA |
| 10      | 5346    | HERON TRL        | VILLA JOSE                           |
| 11      | 4510    | KINGFISHER DR    | MORALES URIEL A                      |
| 12      | 4514    | KINGFISHER DR    | GARCIA FRANCISCO & SONIA L           |
| 13      | 4518    | KINGFISHER DR    | TORRES PAUL SR & FEBRONIA L          |
| 14      | 602     | RED BIRD LN      | BROTHERS UNLIMITED INV INC           |
| 15      | 610     | RED BIRD LN      | SMITH TERRY DON                      |
| 16      | 612     | RED BIRD LN      | CARDOZA MARIO & MARIA                |
| 17      | 620     | RED BIRD LN      | REYNOLDS JOHNNIE C ETUX              |
| 18      | 702     | RED BIRD LN      | MAURICIO LOPEZ FAMILY GROUP LP       |

#### FILE NUMBER: BDA 134-036

**BUILDING OFFICIAL'S REPORT:** Application of Crickett Reed for special exceptions to the fence height and visual obstruction regulations at 5822 Lakehurst Avenue. This property is more fully described as Lot 16, Block B/5515, and is zoned R-10(A), which limits the height of a fence in the front yard to 4 feet and requires a 20 foot visibility triangle at driveway approaches. The applicant proposes to maintain an 8 foot 2 inch high fence, which will require a 4 foot 2 inch special exception to the fence height regulations, and to maintain items in required visibility triangles, which will require special exceptions to the visual obstruction regulations.

**LOCATION**: 5822 Lakehurst Avenue

APPLICANT: Crickett Reed

#### REQUESTS:

The following requests have been made on a site that developed with a single family home/use:

- 1. A request for a special exception to the fence height regulations of 4' 2" is made to maintain generally a 6' high solid board-on-board wood fence (atop generally a 2' high masonry base) that reaches a maximum height of 8' with one 8' 2" high brick column in the one of the site's two required front yards (Lakeway Court).
- 2. Requests for special exceptions to the visual obstruction regulations are made to locate/maintain portions of the aforementioned board-on-board wood fence in the two 20' visibility triangles on both sides of the driveway into the site from Lakeway Court.

#### STANDARD FOR A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO FENCE HEIGHT REGULATIONS:

Section 51A-4.602 of the Dallas Development Code states that the board may grant a special exception to the height requirement for fences when in the opinion of the board, the special exception will not adversely affect neighboring property.

# 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 (fence height):

No staff recommendation is made on this or any request for a special exception to the fence height regulations since the basis for this type of appeal is when in the opinion of the board, the special exception will not adversely affect neighboring property.

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION (visual obstruction):

Approval, subject to the following condition:

• Compliance with the submitted site plan and elevation is required.

Rationale:

- The Sustainable Development and Construction Department Senior Engineer has indicated that he has no objections to these requests.
- The applicant has substantiated how the location of the existing generally 6' high solid board-on-board wood fence atop generally a 2' high masonry base located in the 20' visibility triangles on both sides of the driveway into the site from Lakeway Court does not constitute a traffic hazard.

#### BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

#### <u>Zoning:</u>

| Site:          | R-10(A) (Single family district 10,000 square feet) |
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| <u>North</u> : | R-10(A) (Single family district 10,000 square feet) |
| South:         | R-10(A) (Single family district 10,000 square feet) |
| East:          | R-10(A) (Single family district 10,000 square feet) |
| West:          | R-10(A) (Single family district 10,000 square feet) |

#### Land Use:

The subject site is developed with a single family home. The areas to the north, south, east, 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.

#### <u>Timeline</u>:

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- April 9, 2014: The Sustainable Development and Construction Department Senior Engineer submitted a review comment sheet marked "Has no objections."

#### GENERAL FACTS/STAFF ANALYSIS (fence height):

- This request focuses on maintaining generally a 6' high solid board-on-board wood fence (atop generally a 2' high masonry base) that reaches a maximum height of 8' with one 8' 2" high brick column in the one of the site's two required front yards (Lakeway Court) on a site developed with a single family home/use.
- The Dallas Development Code states that in all residential districts except multifamily districts, a fence may not exceed 4' above grade when located in the required front yard.
- Structures on lots zoned R-10(A) are required to provide a minimum front yard setback of 30'.
- The site is located on the southwest corner of Lakehurst Avenue and Lakeway Court. The site has two required front yards. The site has a 30' required front yard along Lakehurst Avenue because it is the shorter of the two frontages. The site also has a 15' required front yard along Lakeway Court, the longer of the two frontages, which is typically regarded as a side yard where only a 6' setback is required and where a 9' high fence can be erected by right. But the site's Lakeway Court frontage is a side yard treated as a front yard setback nonetheless to maintain the continuity

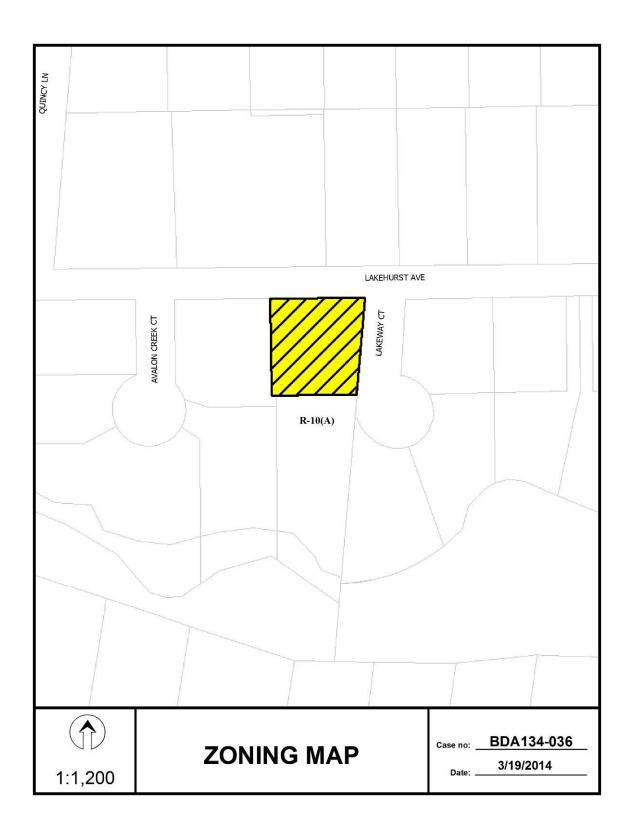
of the established front yard setback established by the lots developed with single family homes south of the site that front/are oriented towards Lakway Court.

- Regardless of how the existing home is oriented to front onto Lakehurst Avenue (and "side" to Lakeway Court), the site has two required front yards where the focus of the applicant's request in this application is only to maintain a fence higher than 4' in the site's front yard setback on Lakeway Court. (No part of the application is made to construct/maintain a fence in the site's Lakehurst Avenue required front yard).
- The applicant has submitted a site plan and elevation of the proposal in the front yard setback that reaches a maximum height of 8' 2".
- The following additional information was gleaned from the submitted site plan:
  - The proposal is represented as being approximately 36' in length parallel to the Lakeway Court and about 15' on the north and south sides in the Lakeway Court required front yard.
  - The proposal is represented as being located on property line or about 13' from the pavement line.
- The Board Administrator conducted a field visit of the site and surrounding area and noted one other fence above 4 feet high which appeared to be located in a front yard setback- an approximately 8' high solid brick fence located directly east of the subject site with no recorded BDA history.
- No homes front the proposal.
- As of April 14, 2014, 1 letter has been submitted in support of the application and no letters have been submitted in opposition.
- The applicant has the burden of proof in establishing that the special exception to the fence height regulations of 4' 2" will not adversely affect neighboring property.
- Granting this special exception of 4' 2" with a condition imposed that the applicant complies with the submitted site plan and elevation would require the proposal exceeding 4' in height in the front yard setback to be constructed/maintained in the location and of the heights and materials as shown on these documents.

#### **GENERAL FACTS/STAFF ANALYSIS (visual obstruction):**

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  - 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 and elevation has been submitted indicating portions of the generally 6' high solid board-on-board wood fence in the two 20' visibility triangles on both sides of the driveway into the site from Lakeway Court.
- The Sustainable Development and Construction Department Senior Engineer submitted a review comment sheet regarding the applicant's request for special exceptions to the visual obstruction regulations marked "Has no objections."
- The applicant has the burden of proof in establishing how granting the requests for special exceptions to the visual obstruction regulations to maintain generally a 6' high solid board-on-board wood fence atop generally a 2' high masonry base in the two 20' visibility triangles on both sides of the driveway into the site from Lakeway Court does not constitute a traffic hazard.
- Granting these requests with a condition imposed that the applicant complies with the submitted site plan and elevation would require the item as described above to be limited to and maintained in the locations, height and materials as shown on these documents.





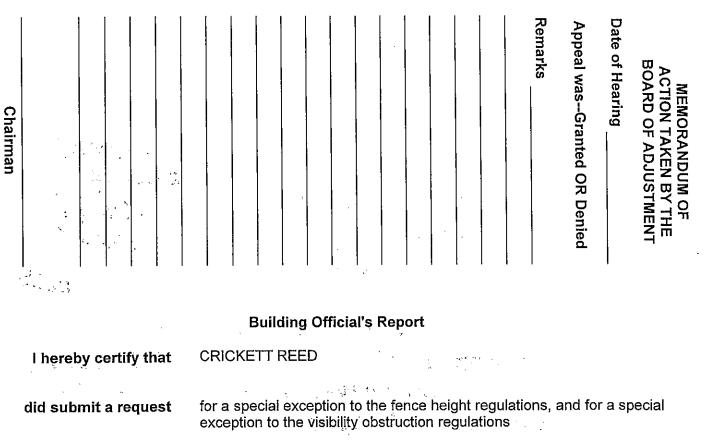


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## APPLICATION/APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

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| Location address: _5  | 822 LAKEHURST   | AVE.                              | Zoning District: <b>A</b>                    | R-10 (A)                       |
| Lot No.: 16 Blo   | ock No.: B 5515 Acreage:  | , 33                              | Census Tract:                                | 76.05                          |
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| Owner of Property (per  | Warranty Deed): SLOTT L   | N. 4 (                            | MULETT S.                                    | (LEE)                          |
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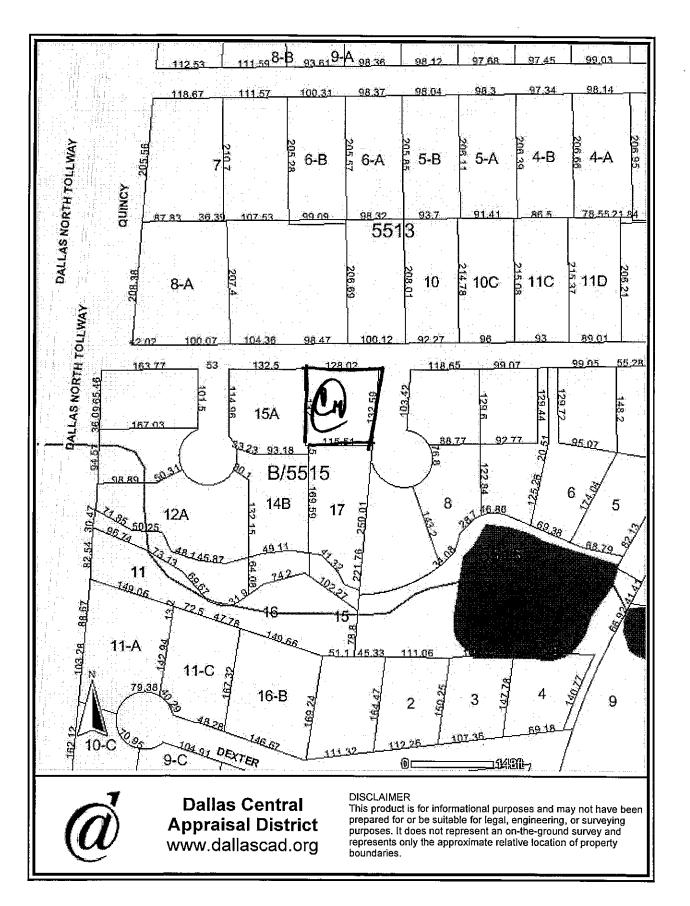
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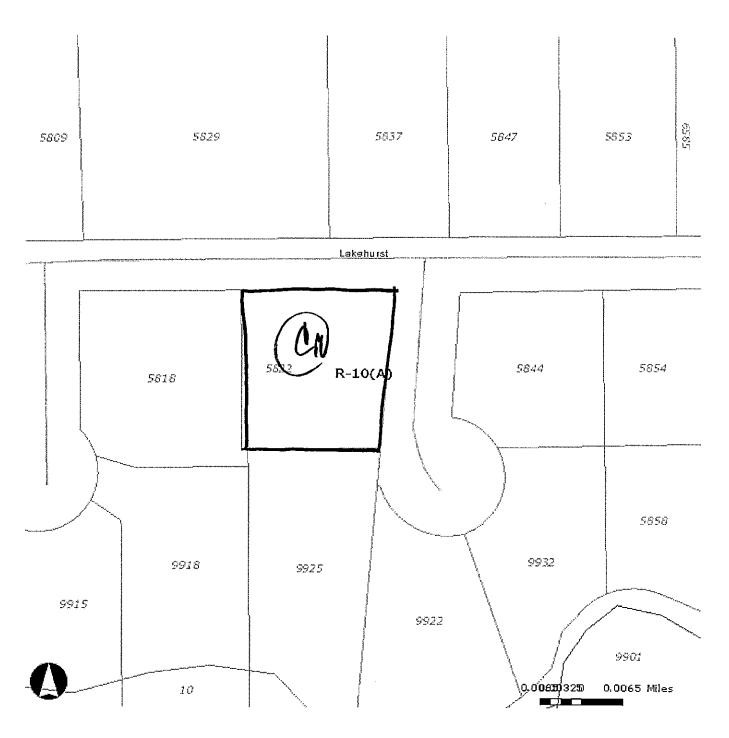
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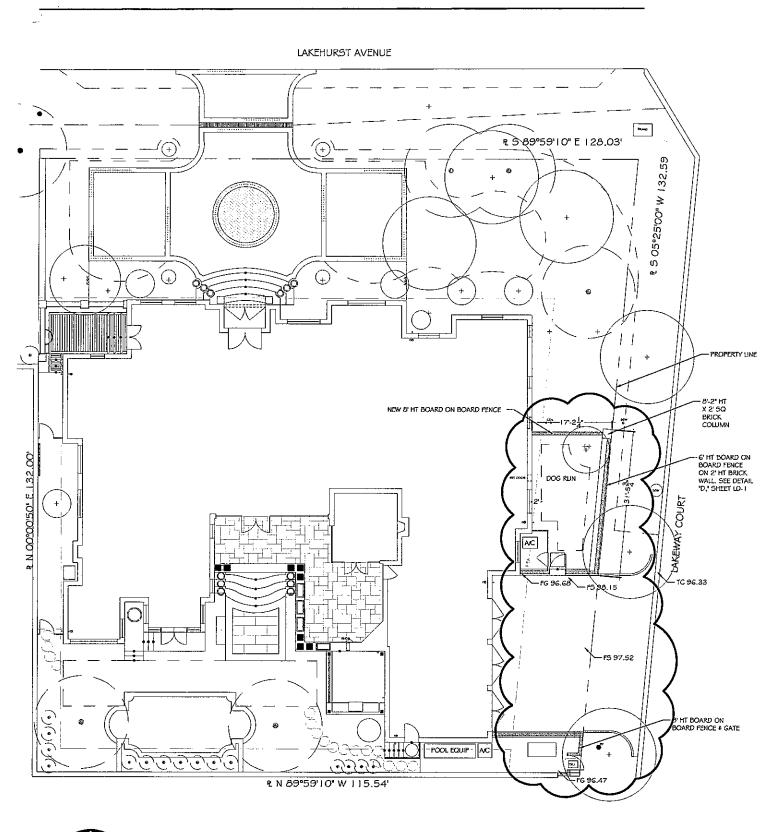
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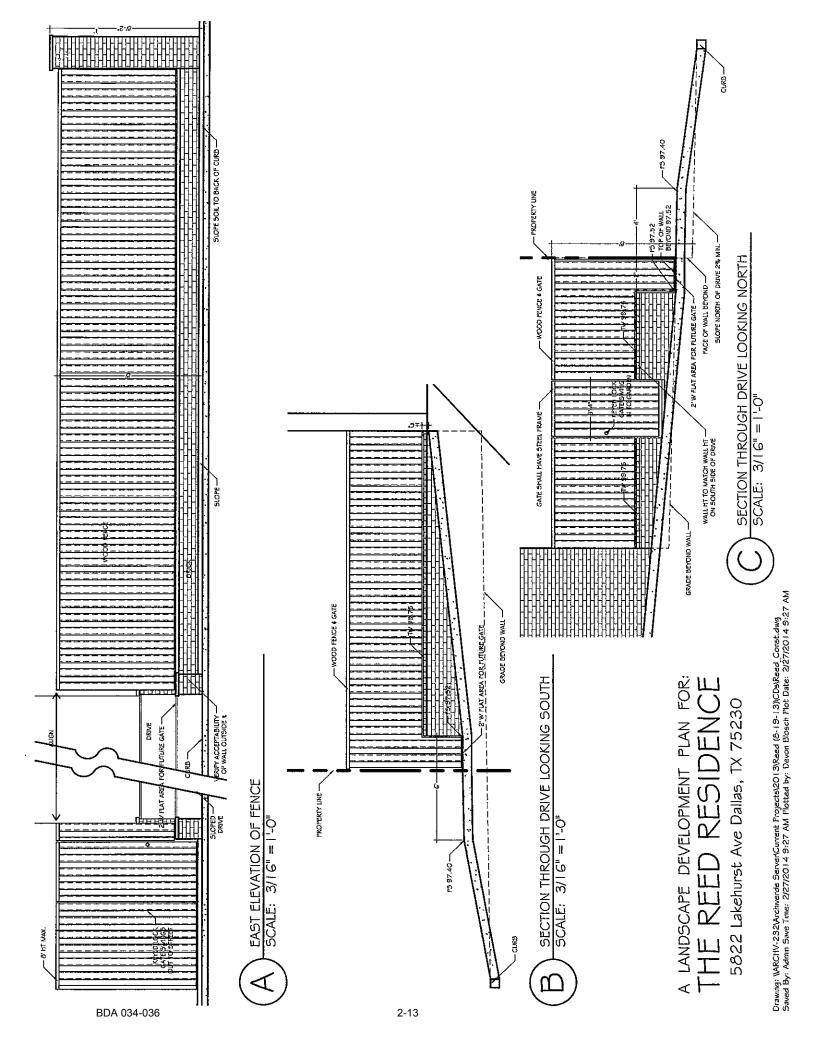


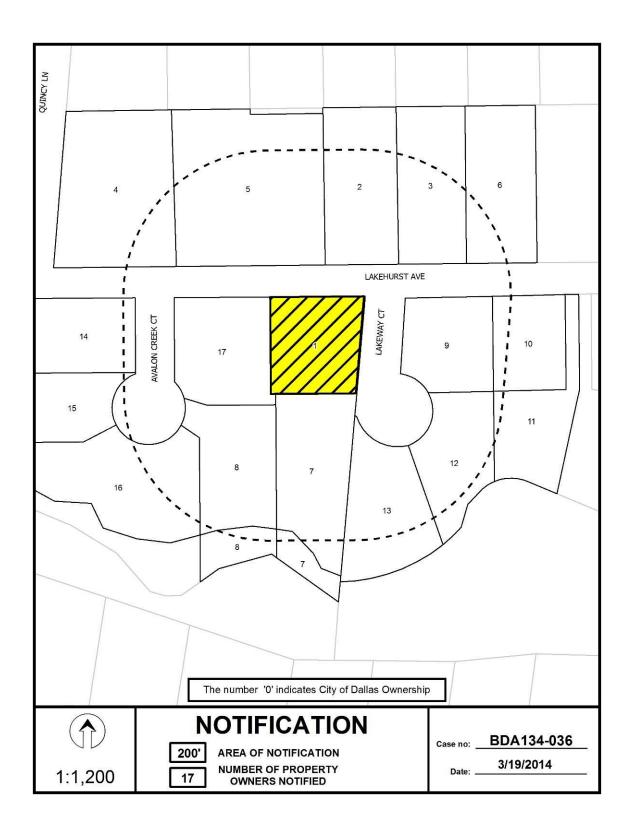


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## A LANDSCAPE DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR: THE REED RESIDENCE 5822 Lakehurst Ave Dallas, TX 75230

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## Notification List of Property Owners

### BDA134-036

#### 17 Property Owners Notified

| Label # | Address |                 | Owner                         |
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| 1       | 5822    | LAKEHURST AVE   | REED CRICKETT S &             |
| 2       | 5837    | LAKEHURST AVE   | BROWN STEPHEN L & ANN B       |
| 3       | 5847    | LAKEHURST AVE   | ELLIS PAUL R III & PATRICIA A |
| 4       | 5809    | LAKEHURST AVE   | WEINSTEIN JON L & CAROL N     |
| 5       | 5829    | LAKEHURST AVE   | BURKETT GENE                  |
| 6       | 5853    | LAKEHURST AVE   | VOBACH STEPHEN F & MICHELE F  |
| 7       | 10      | AVALON CREEK CT | TOLEDO VICTOR & THOMY SUE     |
| 8       | 10      | AVALON CREEK CT | PETERSON ROBERT W & JENIFER P |
| 9       | 5844    | LAKEHURST AVE   | HALVERSON PETER D             |
| 10      | 5854    | LAKEHURST AVE   | REYNOLDS JANET & RON D WILLIS |
| 11      | 5858    | LAKEHURST AVE   | LANGDON ROBERT W              |
| 12      | 9932    | LAKEWAY CT      | LIEBERMAN RANDALL             |
| 13      | 9922    | LAKEWAY CT      | SMITH BRADLEY M & KAREN A     |
| 14      | 9923    | AVALON CREEK CT | CHRISTIE DOUGLAS D            |
| 15      | 9919    | AVALON CREEK CT | KHATRI MUSHTAK & ALIYA        |
| 16      | 9915    | AVALON CREEK CT | ASHTON JAMES E & GLENDA J     |
| 17      | 5818    | LAKEHURST AVE   | GILLMAN DAVID & LISA          |

#### FILE NUMBER: BDA 134-009

**BUILDING OFFICIAL'S REPORT:** Application of Michael Spero for special exceptions to the fence height and visual obstruction regulations at 4202 Bretton Bay Lane. This property is more fully described as Lot 1, Block C/8705, and is zoned R-7.5(A), which limits the height of a fence in the front yard to 4 feet and requires a 20 foot visibility triangle at drive approaches. The applicant proposes to construct and/or maintain a 7 foot 6 inch high fence which will require a special exception of 3 feet 6 inches to the fence height regulations, and to locate/maintain items in required visibility triangles, which will require special exceptions to the visual obstruction regulations.

**LOCATION**: 4202 Bretton Bay Lane

APPLICANT: Michael Spero

#### REQUESTS:

In February of 2014, the following requests were made on a site that is currently developed with a single family home/use:

- 1. A request for a special exception to the fence height regulations of 3' 6" was made to maintain a 6' high open iron picket fence with 6' 4" high posts and a 6' high open iron picket gate with one 89" high (or 7' 4" high) gate post in one of the site's two 25' front yard setbacks Voss Road.
- 2. Requests for special exceptions to the visual obstruction regulations were made to maintain portions of the open iron picket fence/gate and metal posts in the 20' visibility triangles on either side of the driveway into the site from Voss Road.

In April of 2014, the following appeals are made on a site that is currently developed with a single family home/use:

- 1. A request for a special exception to the fence height regulations of 1' is made in to reduce the height of an existing 6' high open iron picket fence with 6' 4" high posts and a 6' high open iron picket gate with one 89" high (or 7' 4" high) gate post in one of the site's two 25' front yard setbacks Voss Road all to 5' in height.
- 2. Requests for special exceptions to the visual obstruction regulations are made to maintain portions of the open iron picket fence/gate and metal posts in the 20' visibility triangles on either side of the driveway into the site from Voss Road.

#### STANDARD FOR A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO FENCE HEIGHT REGULATIONS:

Section 51A-4.602 of the Dallas Development Code states that the board may grant a special exception to the height requirement for fences when in the opinion of the board, the special exception will not adversely affect neighboring property.

# 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 (fence height):

No staff recommendation is made on this or any request for a special exception to the fence height regulations since the basis for this type of appeal is when in the opinion of the board, the special exception will not adversely affect neighboring property.

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION (visual obstruction):

Approval, subject to the following condition:

• Compliance with the submitted site plan and partial elevation is required.

Rationale:

- The Sustainable Development and Construction Department Senior Engineer has indicated that he has no objections to these requests.
- The applicant has substantiated how the location of portions of the existing open iron picket fence and gate located in the 20' visibility triangles on either side of the driveway into the site from Voss Road does not constitute a traffic hazard.

#### BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

#### <u>Zoning:</u>

| <u>Site</u> :  | R-7.5(A) (Single family district 7,500 square feet) |
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| North:         | R-7.5(A) (Single family district 7,500 square feet) |
| <u>South</u> : | R-7.5(A) (Single family district 7,500 square feet) |
| East:          | R-7.5(A) (Single family district 7,500 square feet) |
| West:          | R-7.5(A) (Single family district 7,500 square feet) |

#### Land Use:

The subject site is developed with a single family home. 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.

#### Timeline:

- December 18, 2013: The applicant submitted an "Application/Appeal to the Board of Adjustment" and related documents which have been included as part of this case report.
- January 15, 2014: The Board of Adjustment Secretary randomly assigned this case to Board of Adjustment Panel B.
- January 15, 2014: The Board Administrator emailed the following information to the applicant:
  - an attachment that provided the public hearing date and panel that will consider the application; the January 29th deadline to submit additional evidence for staff to factor into their analysis; and the February 7<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 requests; and
  - the Board of Adjustment Working Rules of Procedure pertaining to "documentary evidence."
- February 4, 2014: The Board of Adjustment staff review team meeting was held regarding this request and the others scheduled for the February public hearings. Review team members in attendance included: the Sustainable Development and Construction Department Current Planning Division Interim Assistant Director, the Assistant Building Official, the Board Administrator, the Building Inspection Senior Plans Examiner/Development Code Specialist, the Sustainable Development and Construction Department Senior Engineer, the City of Dallas Chief Arborist, and the Assistant City Attorney to the Board.
- February 6, 2014: The Sustainable Development and Construction Department Senior Engineer submitted a review comment sheet regarding the applicant's request for a special exception to the visual obstruction regulations marked "Has no objections."
- February 19, 2014: The Board of Adjustment Panel B conducted a public hearing on this application. The Board held the request under advisement until their public hearing to be held on April 23, 2014.
- February 27, 2014: The Board Administrator sent a letter to the applicant that noted the decision of the panel, and the April 11<sup>th</sup> deadline to submit additional evidence to be incorporated into the Board's docket materials.

- March 20, 2014: The applicant submitted additional documentation on this application to the Board Administrator beyond what was submitted with the original application (see Attachment A).
- April 7, 2014: The applicant submitted additional documentation on this application to the Board Administrator beyond what was submitted with the original application (see Attachment B).
- April 8, 2014 : 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 Assistant Building Official, the Board Administrator, the Building Inspection Senior Plans Examiner/Development Code Specialist, the Sustainable Development and Construction Department Senior Engineer, the City of Dallas Chief Arborist, the Sustainable Development and Construction Department, and the Assistant City Attorney to the Board.

No additional review comment sheets with comments were submitted in conjunction with this application beyond what was submitted prior to the hearing in February.

April 10, 2014: Additional documentation on this application was forwarded to the Board Administrator by the co-presidents of the Bent Tree West Homeowners Association (see Attachment C).

#### GENERAL FACTS/STAFF ANALYSIS (fence height):

- This original request has been amended from what was presented to the board at the February 19<sup>th</sup> public hearing. The applicant has submitted a revised site plan and elevation where his request regarding the fence height special exception is to reduce the existing heights of the 6' high open iron picket fence with 6' 4" high posts and a 6' high open iron picket gate with one 89" high (or 7' 4" high) gate post in one of the site's two 25' front yard setbacks Voss Road all to 5' in height.
- The Dallas Development Code states that in all residential districts except multifamily districts, a fence may not exceed 4' above grade when located in the required front yard.
- The site is located at the southeast corner of Bretton Bay Lane and Voss Road. The site has a 25' front yard setback along Bretton Bay Lane, the shorter of the two frontages, which is always deemed the front yard setback on a corner lot in a single-family zoning district. The site also has a 25' front yard setback along Voss Road, the longer of the two frontages of this corner lot, which is typically regarded as a side yard where only a 5' setback is required. But the site's Voss Road frontage is a side yard treated as a front yard setback nonetheless to maintain the continuity of the established front yard setback established by the lots developed with single family homes south of the site that front/are oriented westward towards Voss Road. Regardless of how the existing home is oriented to front onto Bretton Bay Lane (and

to "side" to Voss Road), the site has two 25' front yard setbacks where the focus of the applicant's request in this application is only to maintain a fence higher than 4' in the site's front yard setback on Voss Road. No part of the application is made to address any fence in the site's Bretton Bay Lane front yard setback.

- The applicant had originally submitted a site plan and a partial elevation of the proposal in the front yard setback that reaches a maximum height of 89" or 7' 4". But in April of 2014, the applicant submitted a revised site plan and elevation (see Attachment B) that shows the maximum height of the fence and posts to be 5' in height.
- The following additional information was gleaned from the originally submitted site plan:
  - The proposal is represented as being approximately 90' in length parallel to the Voss Road and approximately 21' in length perpendicular to Voss Road on the north and south sides of the site in the Voss Road front yard setback.
  - The proposal is represented as being located approximately 4' from the property line or about 16' from the Voss Road pavement line.
- The revised site plan does not make amendments to the length and location of the fence. The only revision to the site plan appears to be the addition of several evergreen plants to be added on the inside of the open picket fence and gates.
- The Board Administrator conducted a field visit of the site and surrounding area and noted no other fences above 4 feet high which appeared to be located in a front yard setback.
- Two homes front the proposal neither of which have fences in their front yards.
- As of April 14, 2014, 13 letters have been submitted in support of the application, 1 letter has been submitted in opposition to the request, and one letter has been submitted for the Board to determine.
- The applicant has the burden of proof in establishing that the special exception to the fence height regulations of 1' will not adversely affect neighboring property.
- Granting this special exception of 1' with a condition imposed that the applicant complies with the submitted revised site plan and revised partial elevation would require the proposal exceeding 4' in height in the front yard setback to be maintained in the location and of the heights and materials as shown on these documents.

#### **GENERAL FACTS/STAFF ANALYSIS (visual obstruction):**

- These requests focus on reducing/maintaining portions of the existing 6' high open iron picket fence with 6' 4" high posts and a 6' high open iron picket gate with one 89" high (or 7' 4" high) gate post in the 20' visibility triangles on either side of the driveway into the site from Voss Road to 5'.
- 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).
- The original and revised submitted site plan and partial elevation indicate portions of an open iron picket fence and open iron picket gate in the 20' visibility triangles on either side of the driveway into the site from Voss Road. While evergreen plants have been added to the revised site plan, these plants denoted on the inside/house side of fence are not located in the visibility triangles.
- The Sustainable Development and Construction Department Senior Engineer submitted a review comment sheet regarding the applicant's request for a special exception to the visual obstruction regulations marked "Has no objections."
- The applicant has the burden of proof in establishing how granting the requests for special exceptions to the visual obstruction regulations to maintain portions of 5' high open iron picket fence and gates in the two 20' visibility triangles on either side of the driveway into the site from Voss Road does not constitute a traffic hazard.
- Granting these requests with a condition imposed that the applicant complies with the submitted revised site plan and revised partial elevation would require the items (a 5' high open iron picket fence with 5' high posts and a 5' high open iron picket gate with 5' high gate post in the 20' visibility triangles on either side of the driveway into the site from Voss Road) to be limited to the locations, height and materials as shown on these revised documents.

#### BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT ACTION: FEBRUARY 19, 2014

<u>APPEARING IN FAVOR</u>: Michael Spero, 4202 Bretton Way Lane, Dallas, TX Bethany Ardizzoni, 17708 Voss Rd., Dallas, TX

<u>APPEARING IN OPPOSITION:</u> Brian Williamson, 4206 Briargrove Lane, Dallas, TX Phil Dettle, 4120 Rainsong Dr., Dallas, TX

#### MOTION #1: Gillespie

I move that the Board of Adjustment, in Appeal No. **BDA 134-009**, on application of Michael Spero, **deny** the special exception requested by this applicant **without prejudice**, because our evaluation of the property and the testimony shows that granting the application would adversely affect neighboring property.

<u>SECONDED</u>: **Reynolds** <u>AYES</u>: 2 – Reynolds, Gillespie <u>NAYS</u>: 3 – Chernock, Wilson, Leone <u>MOTION FAILED</u> 2 – 3

#### MOTION #2: Chernock

I move that the Board of Adjustment, in Appeal No. **BDA 134-009**, on application of Michael Spero, **grant** the request to construct and maintain a 7-foot- 6-inch-high fence

in the property's front yard as a special exception to the fence height requirements in the Dallas Development Code, because our evaluation of the property and the testimony shows that this special exception will not adversely affect neighboring property. I further move that the following condition be imposed to further the purpose and intent of the Dallas Development Code:

• Compliance with the submitted site plan and partial elevation is required.

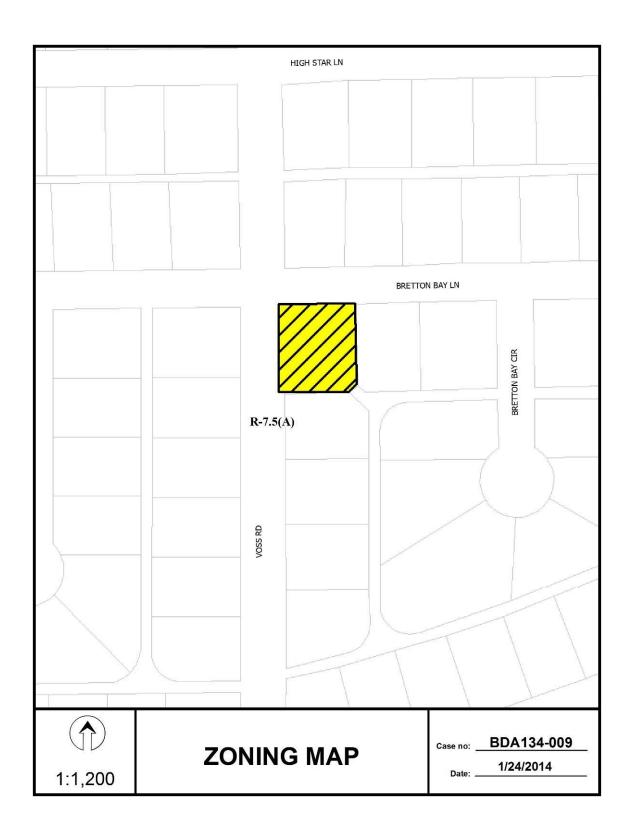
#### SECONDED: Chernock

<u>AYES</u>: 3 – Chernock, Wilson, Leone <u>NAYS</u>: 2 – Reynolds, Gillespie <u>MOTION FAILED</u> 3 – 2

#### MOTION #3: Leone

I move that the Board of Adjustment in Appeal No. **BDA 134-009**, hold this matter under advisement until **April 23, 2014.** 

#### <u>SECONDED</u>: **Wilson** <u>AYES</u>: 4 – Reynolds, Chernock, Wilson, Leone <u>NAYS</u>: 1 – Gillespie MOTION PASSED 4 – 1





#### Long, Steve

BDA 134-009 Attach A Pa 1

From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments: Mike Spero <mike@norris1.com> Thursday, March 20, 2014 9:18 AM Long, Steve Picture of home on Bretton Bay, and Briagrove 20140320\_080254.jpg; 20140320\_080329.jpg

Steve,

I would like to add this to my file as another home that looks to have a similar situation as mine, but with an 8foot board on board fence, and alley access to the West of the fence.

This home is on the S.E corner of Briargrove, and Bretton Bay. The home across the street(the S.W corner) has a front entrance on Bretton Bay that faces this fence, and the homes directly west of this all have front entrances on Bretton Bay. This would seem to me that the 8ft fence on the side/front would also constitute a front yard due to the symmetry of the homes West on Bretton bay. Please call me with any questions. I have 2 more pictures I will email you.

Thank you,

Mike Spero

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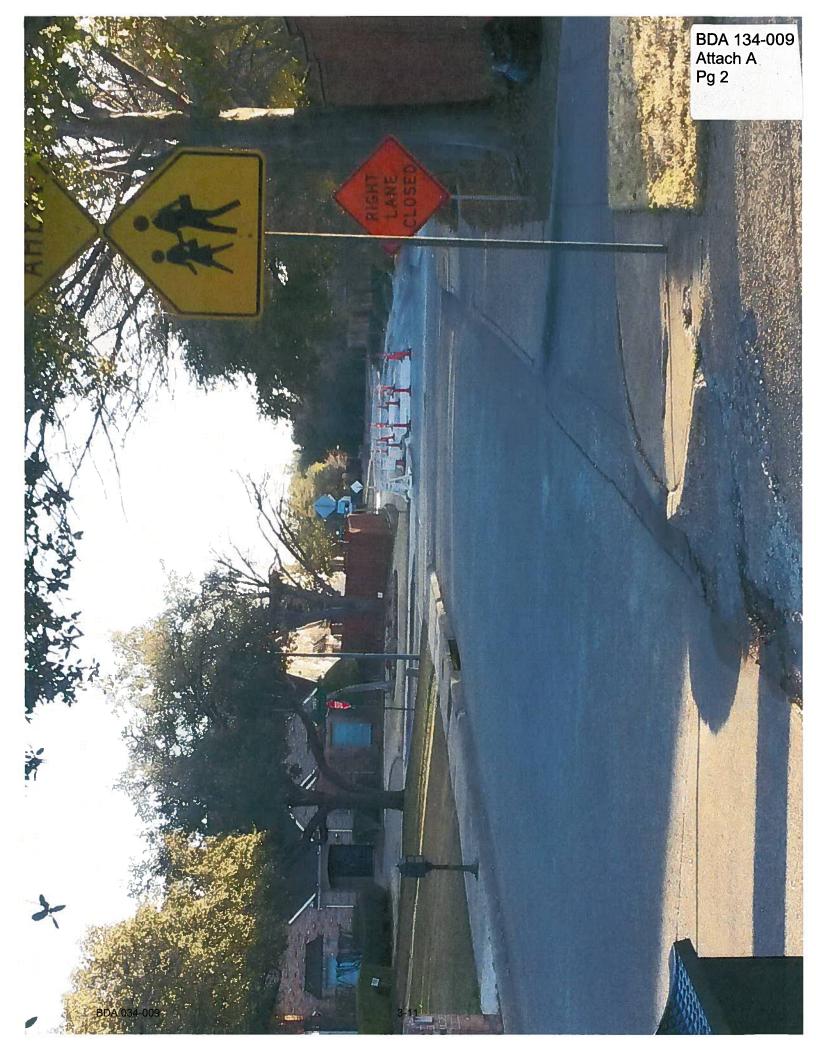
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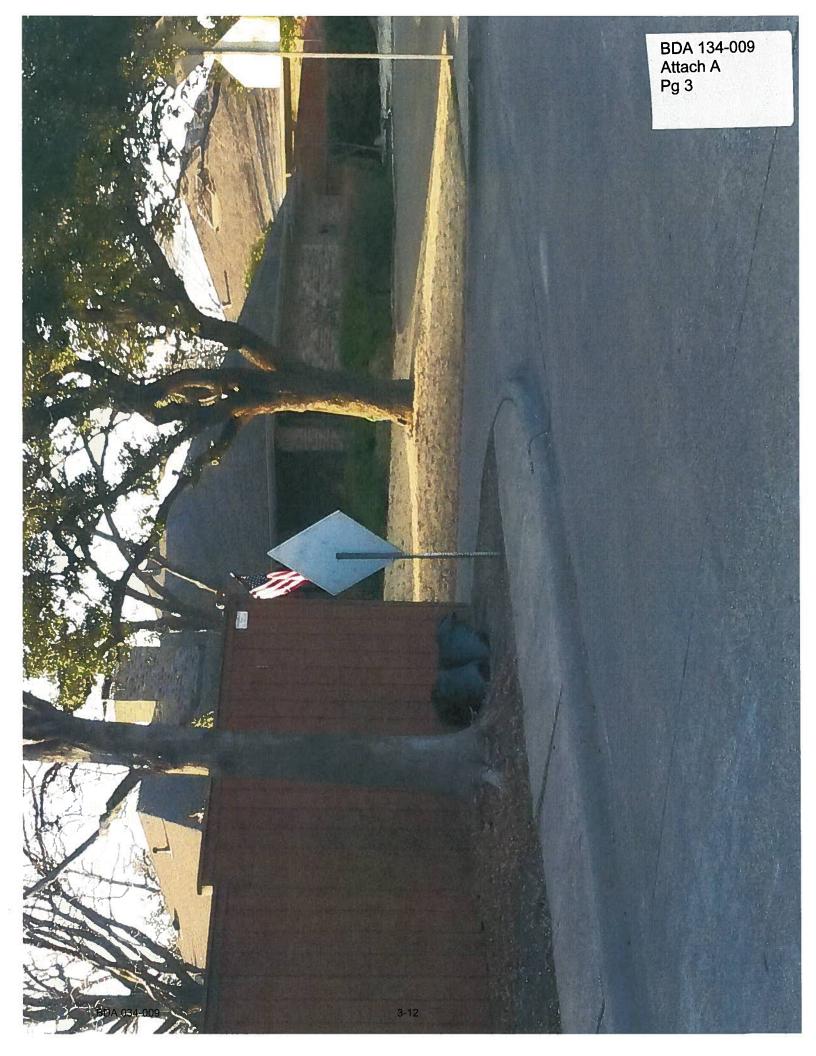


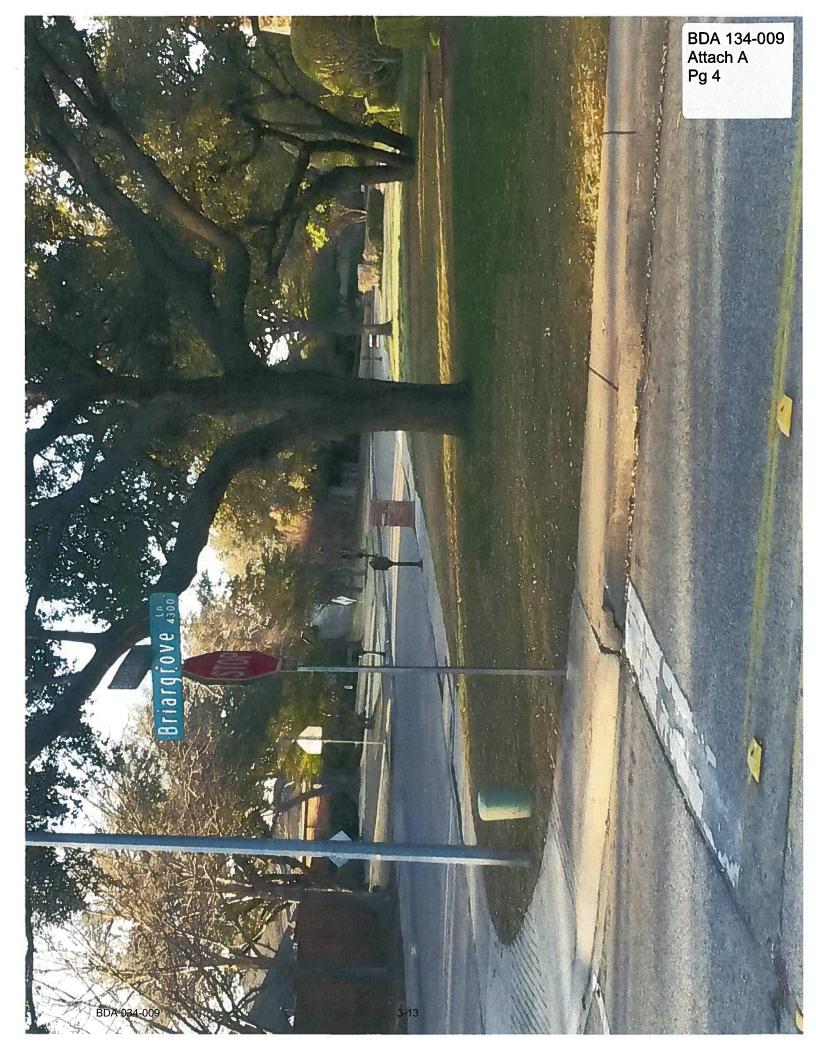


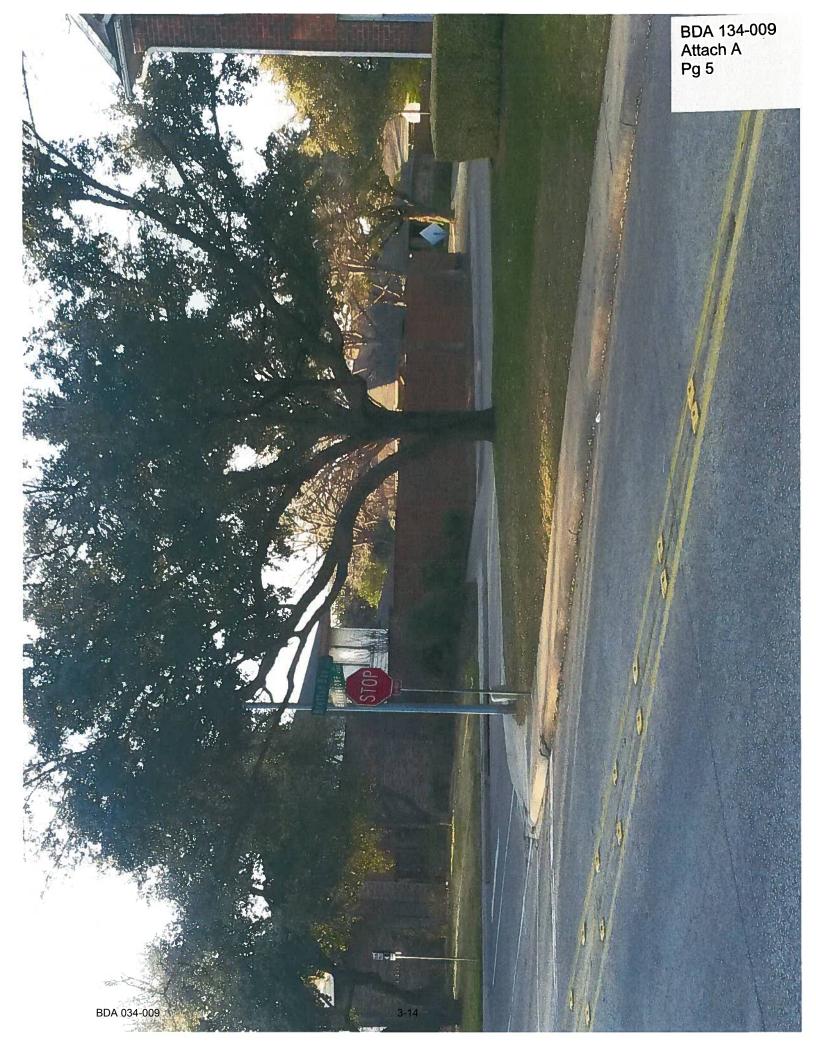


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From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments: Mike Spero <mike@norris1.com> Monday, April 07, 2014 9:04 AM Long, Steve FW: Revised letter/4202 Bretton Bay img785.pdf BDA 134-009 Attach B Pg 1

Steve,

I believe that Brian Williamson will be sending you this letter when he gets them signed off by he, and Phil. I did want to send the revised fence drawing to show that 5 feet will be the maximum height the fence will be, and what I am applying for is a 1 foot special exception. Is there any other info needed other than this letter?

Thank you,

Mike Spero

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From: Brian Williamson [mailto:brian@bdwilliamsoncpa.com] Sent: Tuesday, April 01, 2014 9:39 PM To: Mike Spero Cc: Phil Dettle Subject: FW: Revised letter

Mike

Please take a look at the attached letter. If it conforms with your understanding of our agreement, let me know and we can arrange for the three of us to sign it. Then, I will forward it to the City.

Brian

pBrian D. Williamson, C.P.A. A Professional Corporation 4206 Briargrove Lane Dallas, Texas 75287 U.S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT NOTICE/CIRCULAR 230 DISCLAIMER: Pursuant to regulations governing the practice of attorneys, certified public accountants, enrolled agents, enrolled actuaries and appraisers before the Internal Revenue Service, unless otherwise expressly stated, any U.S. federal or state tax advice in this communication (including any attachments) is not intended or written to be used, and cannot be used, by a taxpayer for the purpose of (i) avoiding penalties that may be imposed under federal or state tax law or (ii) promoting, marketing or recommending to another party any transaction or tax-related matter(s) addressed herein.

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March 31, 2014

Mr. Steve Long Board of Adjustment Administrator City of Dallas Sustained Development And Construction 1500 Marilla Street, Room 5BN Dallas, Texas 75201

Dear Mr. Long:

Representatives of the Bent Tree West Homeowners' Association, Inc. (HOA) met with Mr. and Mrs. Mike Spero (owners of the property at 4202 Bretton Bay, Dallas, TX 75287).

The HOA agrees to withdraw our objection to the height of the Spero's metal fence subject to the provisions in the following paragraph. The fence and gate are currently in excess of the City of Dallas maximum height allowance (four feet (4')).

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Very truly yours,

Bent Tree West Homeowners' Association, Inc.

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Phil Dettle, Co-President 214-908-4487

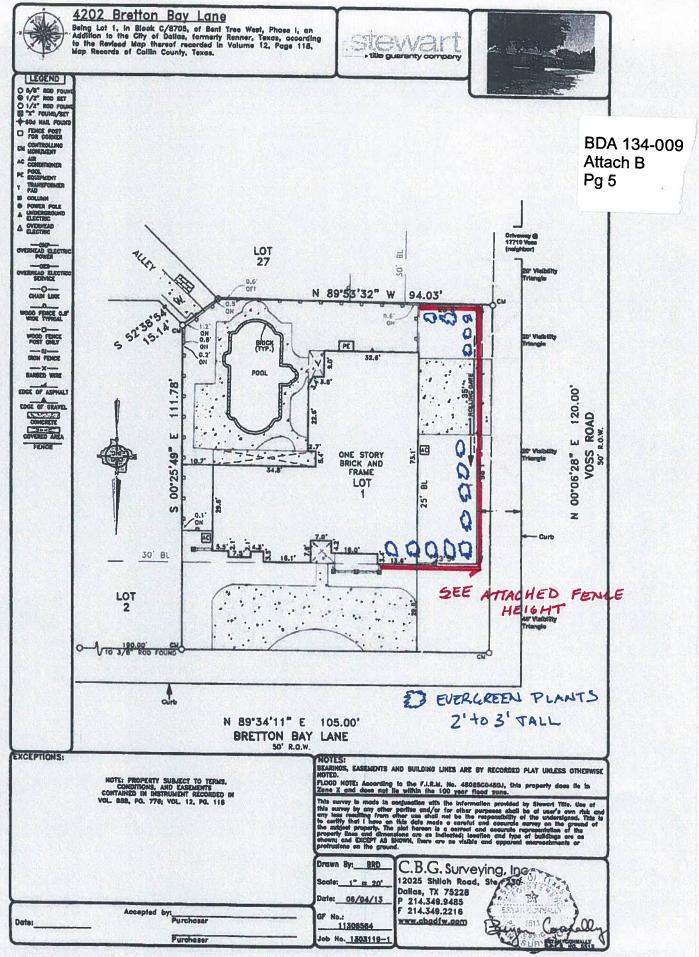
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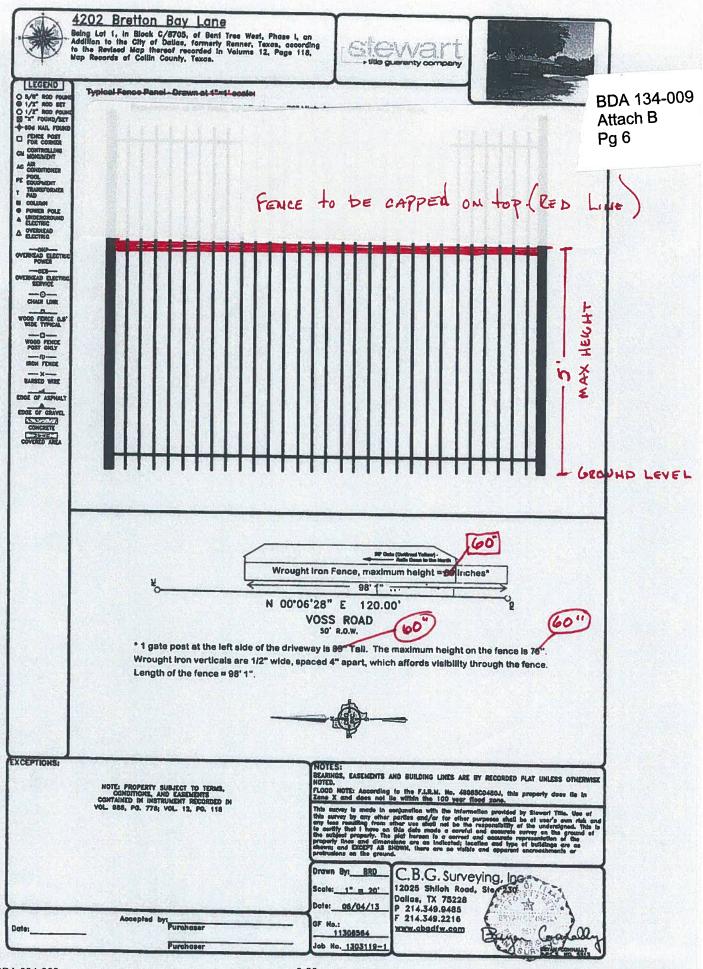
Brian Williamson, Co-President 972-380-9466 Mr. Steve Long Page 2 March 20, 2014 BDA 134-009 Attach B Pg 4

Mr. & Mrs. Mike Spero

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Mike Spero 972-333-3499





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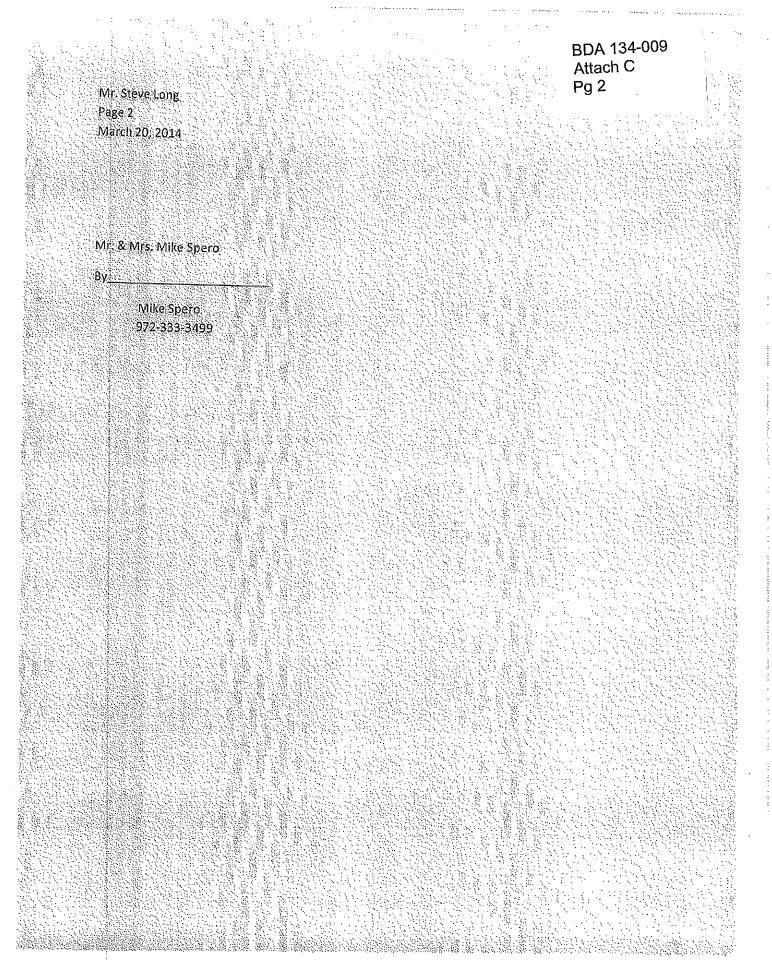
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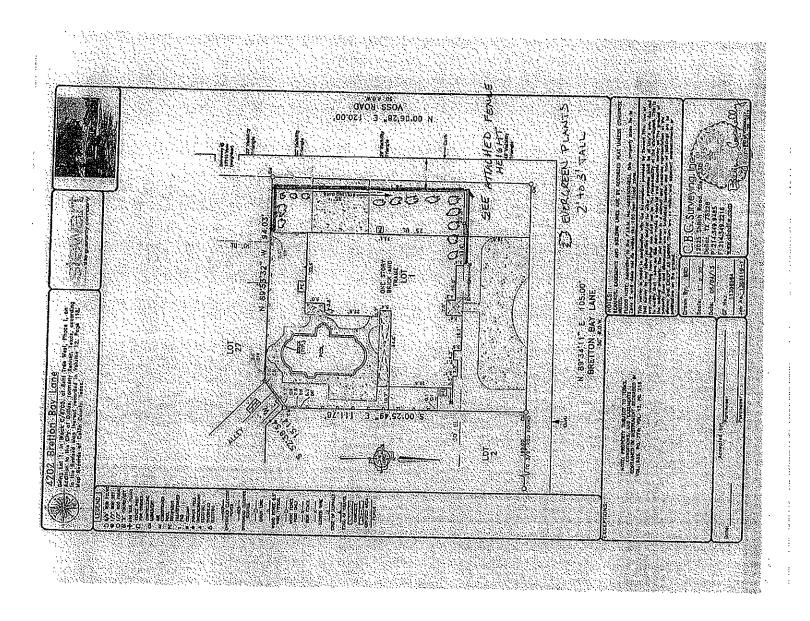
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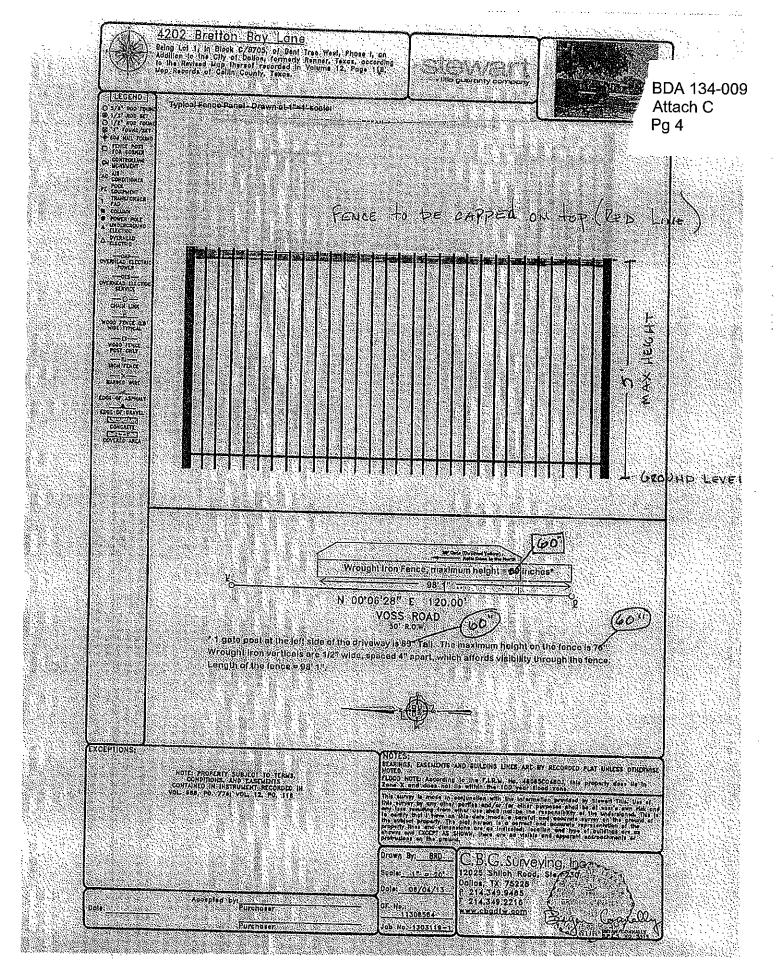
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## APPLICATION/APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

|  | Case No.: BDA 134-009   |
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| Data Relative to Subject Property:   | Date: 12-18-13  |
| Location address: 4202 Bretton Bay La  | Zoning District: R-7.5(A)   |
| Lot No.: 1 Block No.: 012705 Acreage: 2  | 8 Census Tract: 317,04  |
| Street Frontage (in Feet): 1) 105 2) 120 3)  | 4) 5)t c 1R   |
| To the Honorable Board of Adjustment :   | NCIN  |
| Owner of Property (per Warranty Deed): Michael Sper  |   |
| Applicant: M.chael Sperv   | Telephone: 972-333 3499   |
| Mailing Address: 4202 Bretton Bay Lo   | Zip Code: <u> </u>  |
| E-mail Address: mileenoris 7. com  |   |
| Represented by:  | Telephone:  |
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| Before me the undersigned on this day personally appeared  | (Affiant/Applicant's name printed)  |
| who on (his/her) oath certifies that the above statements a knowledge and that he/she is the owner/or principal/or auth  | re true and correct to his/her best   |
| JOSE J. HUERTA<br>MY COMMISSION EXPIRES<br>February 17, 2017   | (Affiant/Applicant's signature)   |
| Subscribed and sworn to before me this <u>174</u> day of <u>becc</u>   | - Mut-  |
| (Rev. 08-01-11) Notary<br>BDA 034-009 3-25   | Public in and for Dallas County, Texas  |
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| Chairman |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Remarks | Appeal was–Granted OR Denied | MEMORANDUM OF<br>ACTION TAKEN BY THE<br>BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT<br>Date of Hearing |
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#### **Building Official's Report**

I hereby certify that

MIKE SPERO

#### did submit a request

for a special exception to the visibility obstruction regulations, and for a special exception to the fence height regulations

at 4202 Bretton Bay Lane

BDA134-009. Application of Mike Spero for a special exception to the visibility obstructior regulations and a special exception to the fence height regulations at 4202 Bretton Bay Lane. This property is more fully described as Lot 1, Block C/8705, and is zoned R-7.5(A), which limits the height of a fence in the front yard to 4 feet and requires a 20 foot visibility triangle at driveway approaches. The applicant proposes to construct and maintain a single family residential fence structure in a required visibility obstruction triangle, which will require a special exception to the visibility obstruction regulation, and to construct a 7 foot inch high fence in a required front yard, which will require a 3 foot 6 inch special exception to the fence regulation.

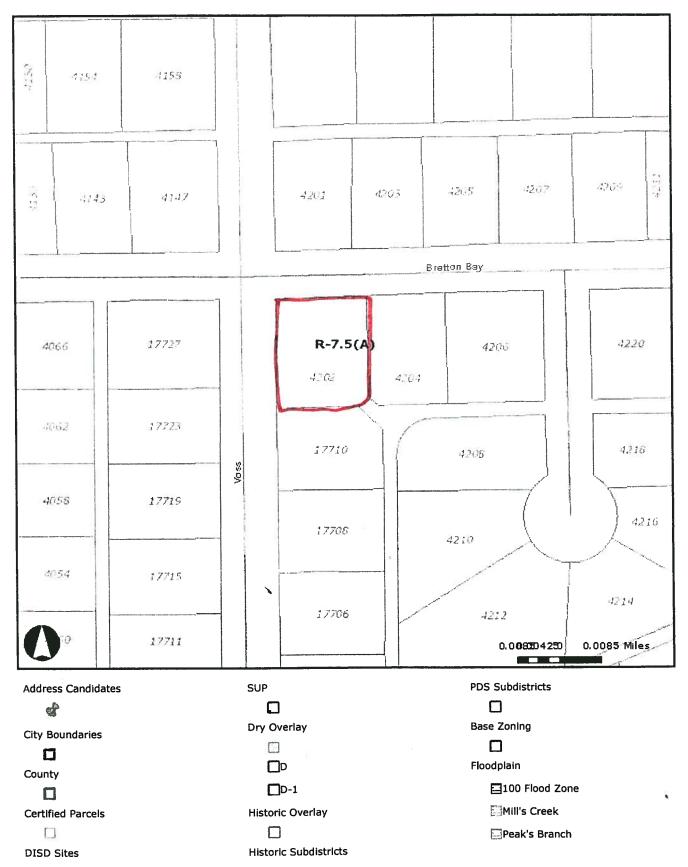
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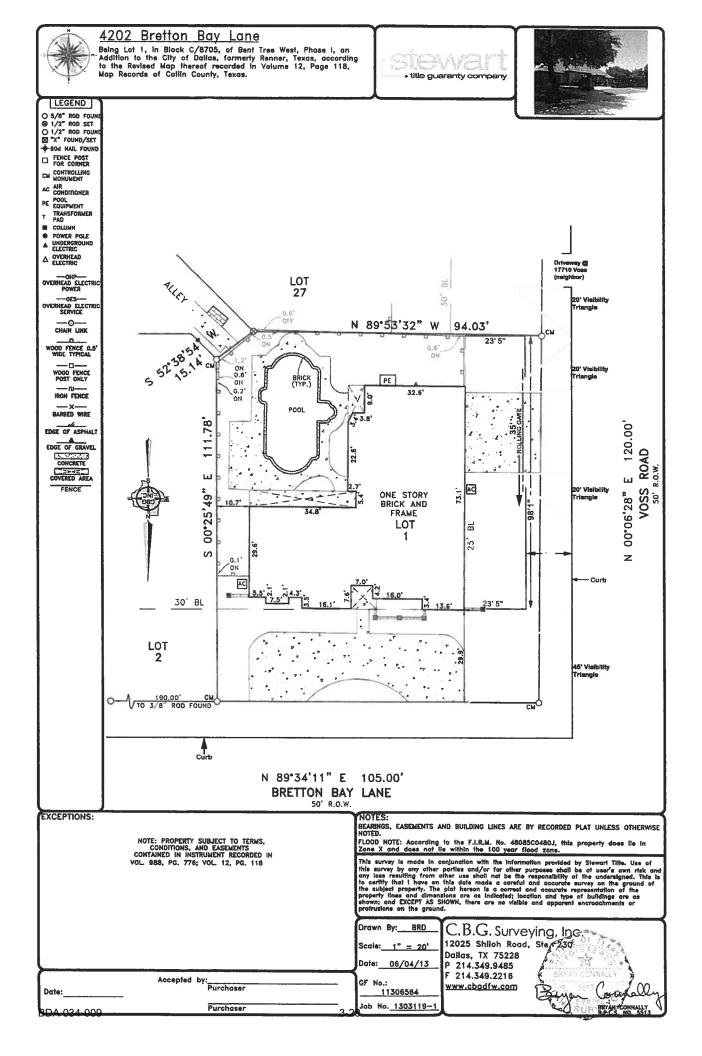
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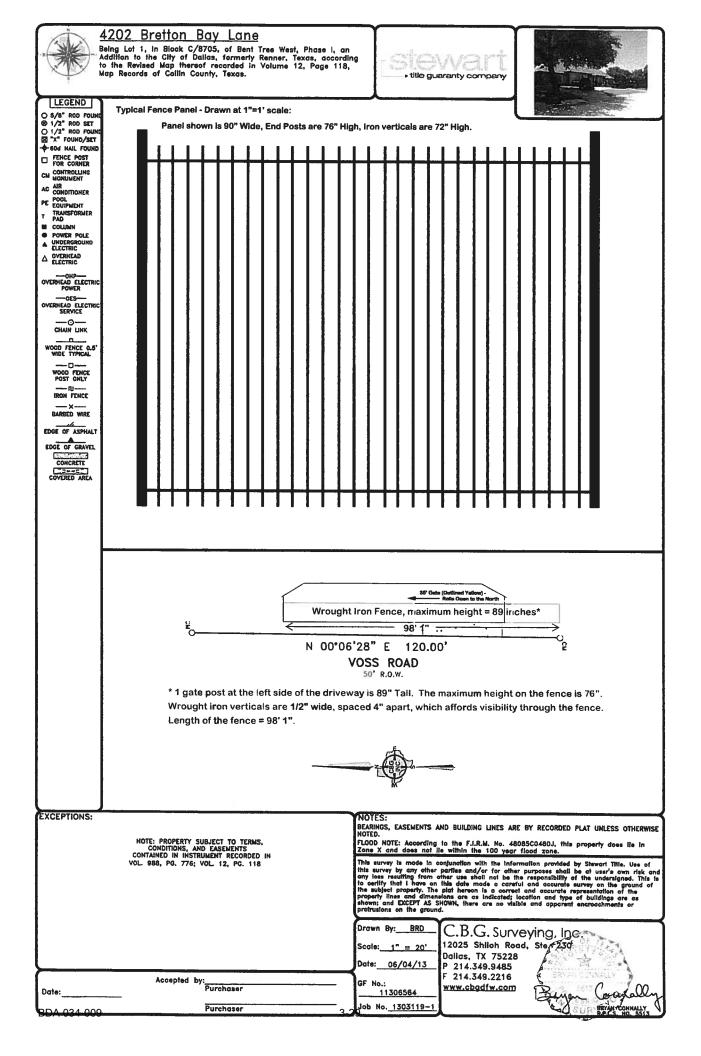
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# **City of Dallas Zoning**

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## Date 12-25-13

## 1, (print name) Jake & LON JENKINS

wish to allow this letter to serve as my statement regarding the fence recently installed at: 4202 Bretton Bay Lane, Dallas, Texas, 75287.

I do not find the fence to obstruct my view or ability to walk the sidewalk on Voss Rd, Bretton Bay Lane or any other direction. I also do not find the fence offensive in its appearance or height. I would find it only fair to allow the residents to keep their fence at the current height as it allows their children and dog, as well as many neighborhood children, to safely play along the side of their house.

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Date 12,3.17

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# Date 12/3/13

# 1, (print name) Jess Glotzbech

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Signature: 222 Bretton Bay Ln Address: 75287 Dallas

# Date 12-3-13

I, (print name) <u>Justin Godsey & Robyn Hennegan</u>, wish to allow this letter to serve as my statement regarding the fence recently installed at: 4202 Bretton Bay Lane, Dallas, Texas, 75287.

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| Address:   | 4205 Bretton Bay Ln. |  |
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## Additional comments:

I Frequent this intersection and do not see the fence as a problem Nor does it obstruct. My view of traffic.

2/13 Date <u>12</u>

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Signature: 207 Address:

Additional comments:

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Date

I, (print name) <u>Jeanne</u> <u>Moore</u> wish to allow this letter to serve as my statement regarding the fence recently installed at: 4202 Bretton Bay Lane, Dallas, Texas, 75287.

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| Signature: | Jeanne Moore          |  |
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| ,          | Dallas, Tx            |  |
|            | 75287                 |  |

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I, (print name)  $B_0b + Carolyn Wirth$ wish to allow this letter to serve as my statement regarding the fence recently installed at: 4202 Bretton Bay Lane, Dallas, Texas, 75287.

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Signature: Address: +201

I live across the street at 4201 Bretton Bay Lane. Actually I feel that the wrought iron fence improved the property at 4202 Bretton Bay Lane. In addition, the homeowner was simply attempting to be able to use side yard space for a place for his children to play. The fence does not obstruct the view of any vehicles that attempt to turn onto Voss Road or Bretton Bay Lane.

It seems that the laws sometimes punish the wrong people. By constructing a 6 foot fence, the homeowner felt that he was providing better protection for his children when they want to go outside and play.

In this neighborhood, we have a safety patrol that is made up of neighbors who volunteer. This was necessary because the resources of the city of Dallas are limited, and there are not enough police to provide the protection that we wanted in our neighborhood.

It seems to me that the homeowner simply made a mistake in being more concerned with his children's safety and with being a good neighbor than trying to circumvent any regulations. I would hope that any fines be waived and permit this homeowner to keep his fence as it is.

12-9-13 Date

# I, (print name) DAVID HARTY

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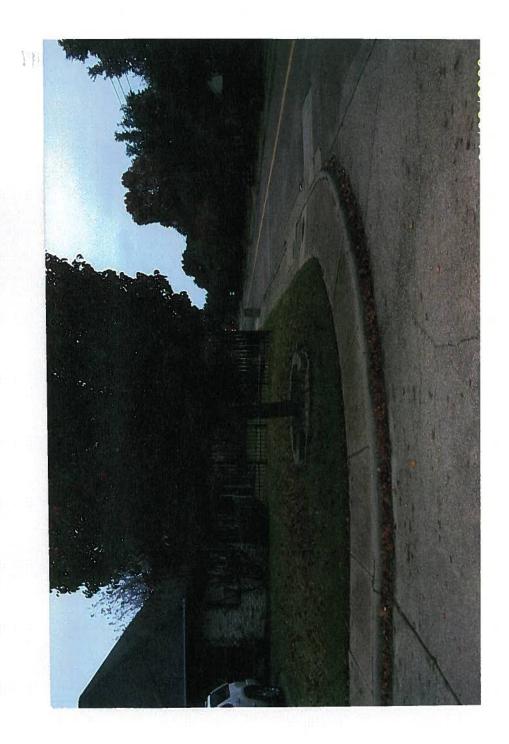




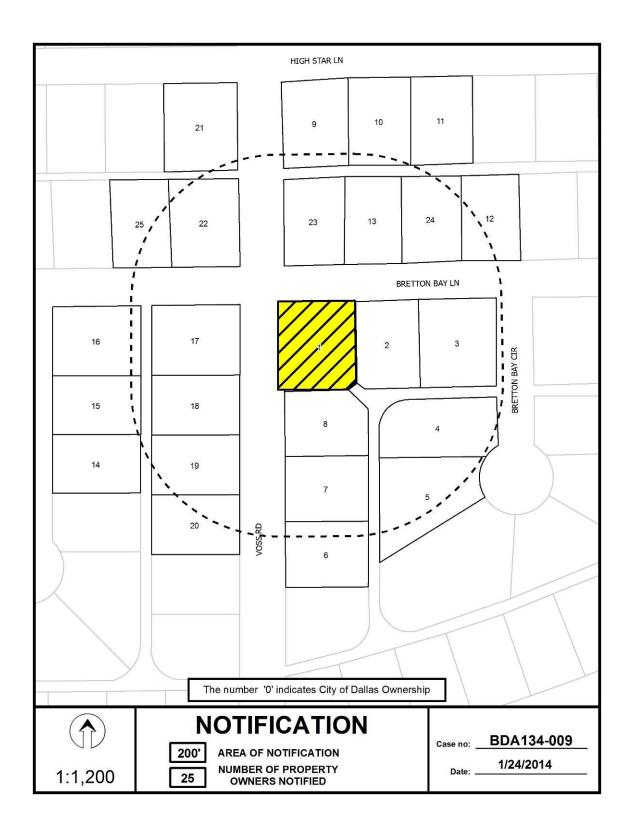




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## Notification List of Property Owners

## BDA134-009

## 25 Property Owners Notified

| Label # | Address |             | Owner                                    |
|---------|---------|-------------|--|
| 1       | 4202    | BRETTON BAY | FREY JEANNETTE                           |
| 2       | 4204    | BRETTON BAY | MOORE ELMER L                            |
| 3       | 4206    | BRETTON BAY | PHILLIPS MARIANNE S ETVIR RONNIE         |
| 4       | 4208    | BRETTON BAY | PICKETT BRYAN L                          |
| 5       | 4210    | BRETTON BAY | CROWELL CYNTHIA LU                       |
| 6       | 17706   | VOSS        | DEMENT GREGORY & WENDY                   |
| 7       | 17708   | VOSS        | ARDIZZONI DENNIS & HAMPTON BETHANY       |
| 8       | 17710   | VOSS        | CRUMP KAREY LYN & ROBERT WILLIAM JR      |
| 9       | 4202    | HIGH STAR   | HASSELL DENNIS R ETUX                    |
| 10      | 4204    | HIGH STAR   | TOBY LEONA ANN                           |
| 11      | 4206    | HIGH STAR   | PEABODY RICHARD A & TERI L               |
| 12      | 4207    | BRETTON BAY | BERES FRANK S & JENNIFER P               |
| 13      | 4203    | BRETTON BAY | JENKINS JACOB & LORI JENKINS             |
| 14      | 4058    | VILLA GROVE | EIDSVIG LAUREN R                         |
| 15      | 4062    | VILLA GROVE | GIAMBALVO JOHN R & EILEEN B              |
| 16      | 4066    | VILLA GROVE | MERRILL THOMAS S & JANA S                |
| 17      | 17727   | VOSS        | LAUDE LAWRENCE S & LEEANN                |
| 18      | 17723   | VOSS        | POWELL ALLEN JR ETUX                     |
| 19      | 17719   | VOSS        | HOLMAN JEFFREY TODD & TINDOWEN DEMENE AD |
| 20      | 17715   | VOSS        | DAVIS KUNTHEA                            |
| 21      | 4158    | HIGH STAR   | LEE JOHN                                 |
| 22      | 4147    | BRETTON BAY | KOULOV KONSTANTIN M & KALOYANOVA POLINA  |
| 23      | 4201    | BRETTON BAY | WIRTH ROBERT ETUX CAROLYN                |
| 24      | 4205    | BRETTON BAY | MARTIN FRED N ETUX JOYCE                 |
| 25      | 4143    | BRETTON BAY | MCNEECE GREGORY NEAL & KAREN RAE         |
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### FILE NUMBER: BDA 134-030

**BUILDING OFFICIAL'S REPORT:** Application of Greg Davis for a special exception to the fence height regulations at 5604 Pleasant Ridge Drive. This property is more fully described as Lot 7, Block 4/8711, and is zoned PD-226, which limits the height of a fence in the front yard to 4 feet. The applicant proposes to construct and maintain a 7 foot 6 inch high, which will require a 3 foot 6 inch special exception to the fence height regulations.

- **LOCATION**: 5604 Pleasant Ridge Drive
- **APPLICANT**: Greg Davis

#### REQUEST:

A special exception to the fence height regulations of 4' is requested to construct and maintain a fence in the site's 30' required front yard on a site that is developed with a single family home—a 5' high open wrought iron picket fence with a 5' 8" high walkway gate, 4' wide, and a 7' 6" high driveway gate, 12' 7" wide.

#### STANDARD FOR A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO FENCE HEIGHT REGULATIONS:

Section 51A-4.602 of the Dallas Development Code states that the board may grant a special exception to the height requirement for fences when in the opinion of the board, the special exception will not adversely affect neighboring property.

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

No staff recommendation is made on this or any request for a special exception to the fence height regulations since the basis for this type of appeal is when in the opinion of the board, the special exception will not adversely affect neighboring property.

#### BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

#### Zoning:

| <u>Site</u> : | PD #226 |
|---------------|---------|
| North:        | PD #226 |
| South:        | PD #226 |
| East:         | PD #226 |
| West:         | PD #226 |

### Land Use:

The subject site is developed with a single family home. The areas to the north and east are primarily undeveloped. The areas to the south and west are developed with single family homes.

### Zoning/BDA History:

 Miscellaneous Item #2, BDA 134-030, Property at 5604 Pleasant Ridge Drive (the subject site) On April 23, 2014, the Board of Adjustment Panel B will consider reimbursing the filing fee made in conjunction with this application.

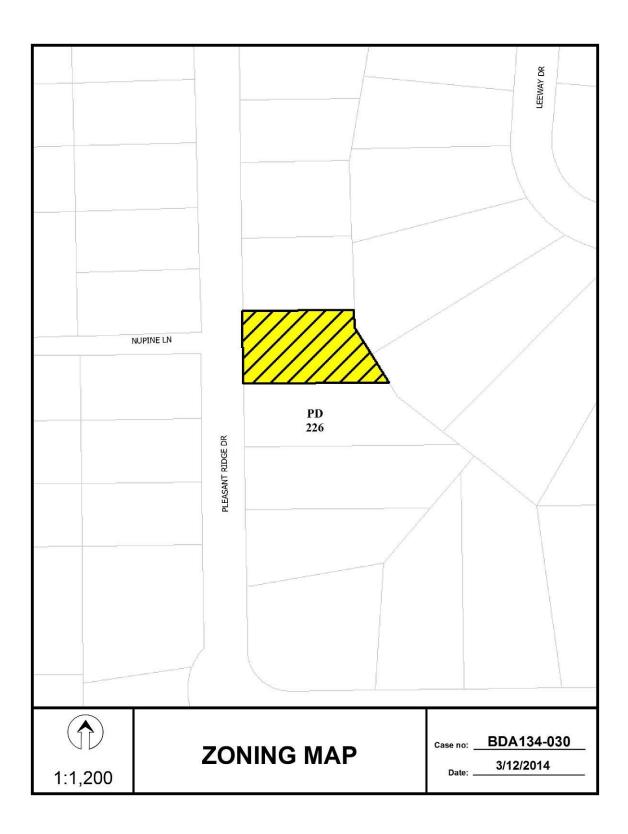
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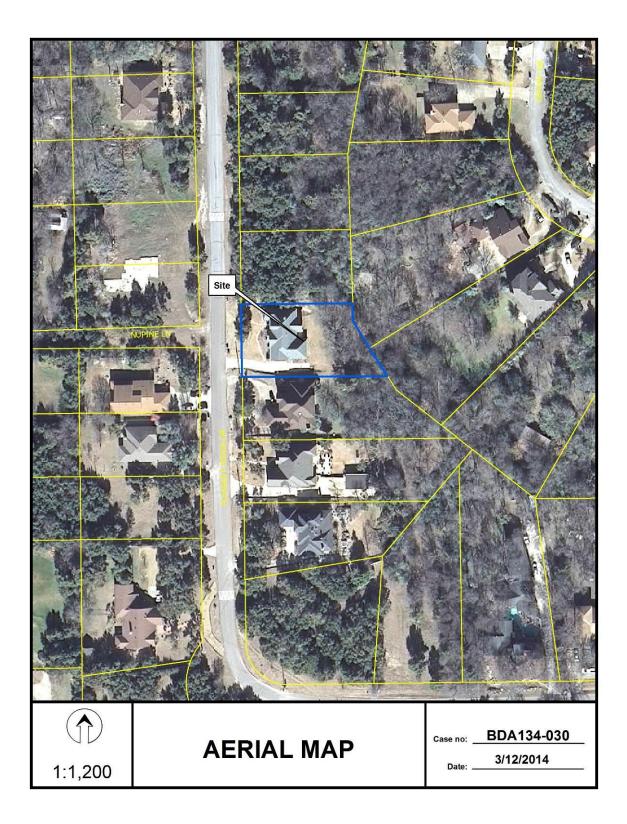
- February 24, 2014: The applicant submitted an "Application/Appeal to the Board of Adjustment" and related documents which have been included as part of this case report.
- March 12, 2014: The Board of Adjustment Secretary randomly assigned this case to Board of Adjustment Panel B.
- March 12, 2014: The Board Administrator contacted the applicant and emailed him the following information:
  - an attachment that provided the public hearing date and panel that will consider the application; the March 26<sup>th</sup> deadline to submit additional evidence for staff to factor into their analysis; and the April 11<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 8, 2014 : 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 Assistant Building Official, the Board Administrator, the Building Inspection Senior Plans Examiner/Development Code Specialist, the Sustainable Development and Construction Department Senior Engineer, the City of Dallas Chief Arborist, the Sustainable Development and Construction Department Planner, and the Assistant City Attorney to the Board.

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

## GENERAL FACTS/STAFF ANALYSIS:

- This request focuses on constructing and maintaining a fence in the site's 30' required front yard on a site that is developed with a single family home a 5' high open wrought iron picket fence with 5' 8" walkway gate and a 7' 6" high driveway gate.
- The Dallas Development Code states that in all residential districts except multifamily districts, a fence may not exceed 4' above grade when located in the required front yard.
- The following additional information was gleaned from the submitted revised site plan/elevation:
  - The proposal in the front yard setback is represented as being approximately 100' in length parallel to the street with one recessed entryways.
  - The proposed fence is represented as being located approximately 1' from the property line.
- The proposal would be located on the site where one lot would have direct frontage, a lot which has no fence in its front yard setback.
- As of April 14, 2014, no letters have been submitted in support of the request and one letter has been submitted in opposition.
- The applicant has the burden of proof in establishing that the special exception to the fence height regulations of 4' will not adversely affect neighboring property.
- Granting this special exception of 4' with a condition imposed that the applicant complies with the submitted revised site plan/elevation would require the proposal exceeding 4' in height in the front yard setback to be constructed/maintained in the location and of the heights and materials as shown on these documents.







## APPLICATION/APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

| e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e  | Case No.: BDA 134-030                 |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| Data Relative to Subject Property:   | Date: 02/24/14                        |
| Location address: 5604 Pleasant Ridge Drive  | Zoning District: PD 226               |
| Lot No.: 7 Block No.: 4/8711 Acreage: 0.39   |                                       |
| Street Frontage (in Feet): 1) 99.7 2) 3)   | 4) 5)                                 |
| To the Honorable Board of Adjustment :   |                                       |
| Owner of Property (per Warranty Deed): Michael Jerome Dake,  | Jr. and wife, Melissa Jeanette Drake  |
| Applicant: GREG DAVIS  | Telephone: 940-321. 2047              |
| Mailing Address: 3609 leeds Ct Corinth   | Zip Code: 76210                       |
| E-mail Address: <u>greg</u> () fence investments.  | Com                                   |
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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:

To hear AND decide special exceptions expressly provides for in the ZONING PROFILMANCE, THIS WILL NOT HAVE AN ADVERSE AFFect on neighbors properties AS It WILL ENHANCE ADjoining properties

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 Greg Before me the undersigned on this day personally appeared Richard VDavis (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:, (Affiant/Appligant's signature) Subscribed and sworn to before me this  $13^{44}$  day of \_ 2014

(Rev. 08-01-11) BDA 34-030

JOSIAH WINEMILLER NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF TEXAS MY COMM. EXP. 04/20/2018

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| Chairman |  |  |  |  |  |  | MEMORANDUM OF<br>ACTION TAKEN BY THE<br>BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT<br>Date of Hearing<br>Appeal wasGranted OR Denied<br>Remarks |
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#### **Building Official's Report**

**GREG DAVIS** I hereby certify that

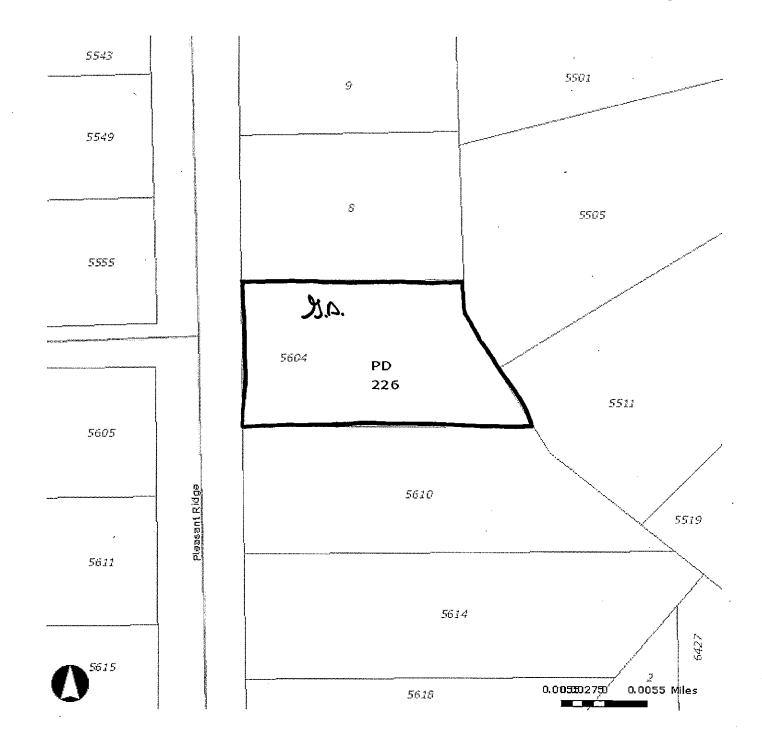
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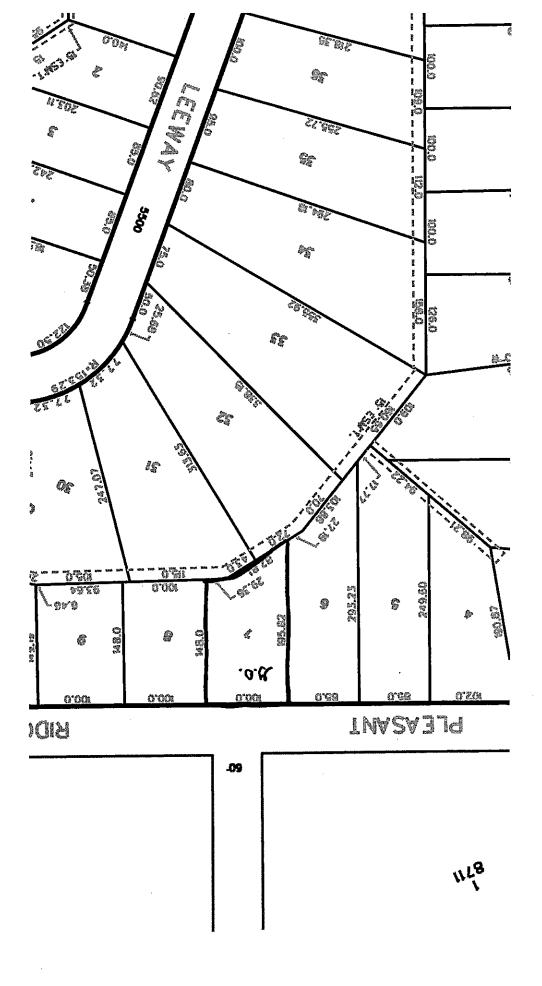
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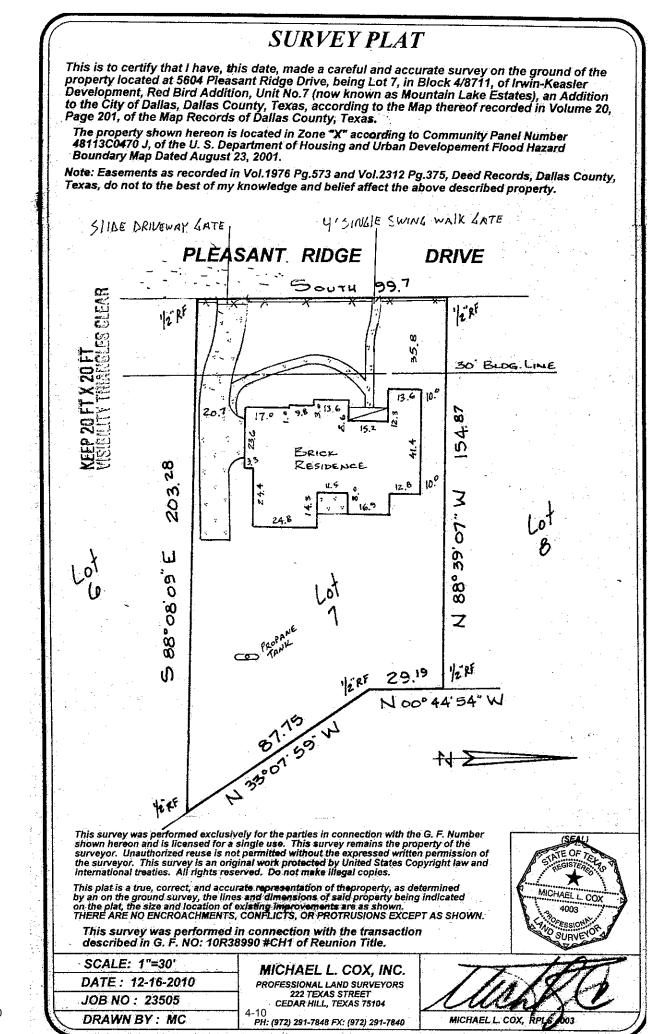
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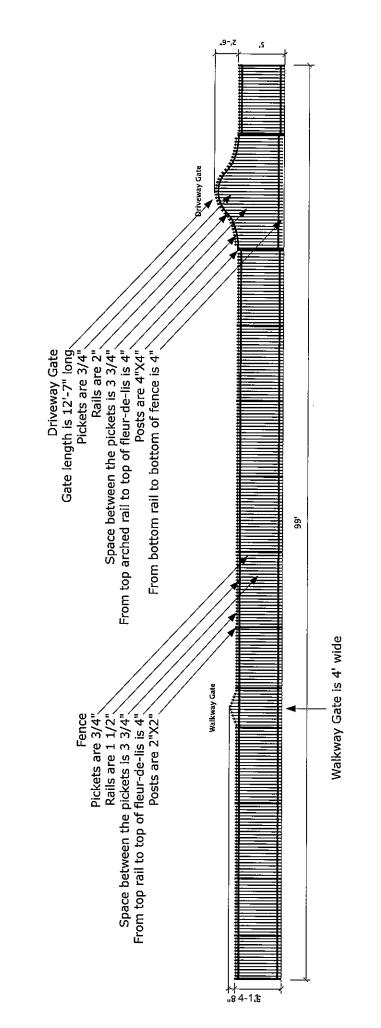
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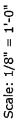
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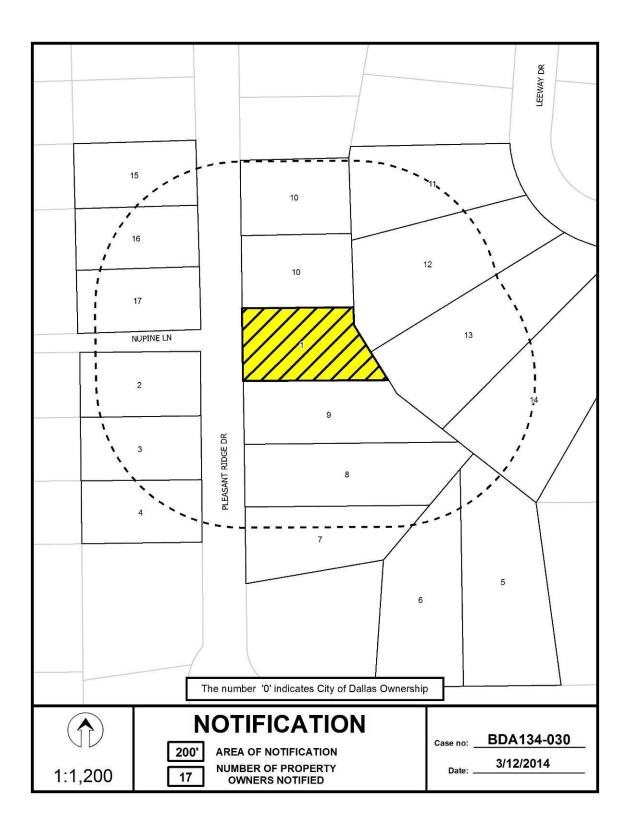












# Notification List of Property Owners

## BDA134-030

### 17 Property Owners Notified

| Label # | Address |                   | Owner                                   |
|---------|---------|-------------------|---|
| 1       | 5604    | PLEASANT RIDGE DR | DRAKE MICHAEL JEROME JR & MELISSA JEANE |
| 2       | 5605    | PLEASANT RIDGE DR | PEAK ROBERT & CHARLINE                  |
| 3       | 5611    | PLEASANT RIDGE DR | JACKSON ANTHONY & NEDRA FAYE            |
| 4       | 5615    | PLEASANT RIDGE DR | JAIMES BALTAZAR & ILDA                  |
| 5       | 6427    | ROSALIE DR        | GROS DAVID T & LYNN B                   |
| 6       | 2       | ROSALIE DR        | ADRIAN PETER ULRICH                     |
| 7       | 5618    | PLEASANT RIDGE DR | MASSEY MARK                             |
| 8       | 5614    | PLEASANT RIDGE DR | HAMILL CHARLES & DIANE                  |
| 9       | 5610    | PLEASANT RIDGE DR | WILKINS SHARON                          |
| 10      | 8       | PLEASANT RIDGE DR | ACOSTA RAUL                             |
| 11      | 5501    | LEEWAY DR         | ACOSTA RAUL A                           |
| 12      | 5505    | LEEWAY DR         | BOURDEAU MICHAEL                        |
| 13      | 5511    | LEEWAY DR         | GARCIA ISRAEL & IRMA L GARCIA           |
| 14      | 5519    | LEEWAY DR         | LABARRE STEPHEN & ANTOINETTE            |
| 15      | 5543    | PLEASANT RIDGE DR | HUERTA WALTER &                         |
| 16      | 5549    | PLEASANT RIDGE DR | LEMUS INES ORLANDO                      |
| 17      | 5555    | PLEASANT RIDGE DR | LEMUS ORLANDO                           |

#### FILE NUMBER: BDA 134-039

**BUILDING OFFICIAL'S REPORT:** Application of Edward Dominguez to restore a nonconforming use at 3006 W. Northwest Highway. This property is more fully described as Lot 9, Block B/5784, and is zoned CR, which limits the legal uses in a zoning district. The applicant proposes to restore a nonconforming alcoholic beverage establishments use, which will require a special exception to the nonconforming use regulations.

- **LOCATION**: 3006 W. Northwest Highway
- **APPLICANT:** Edward Dominguez

#### REQUEST:

A special exception to reinstate nonconforming use rights is requested to obtain a Certificate of Occupancy (CO) for an "alcoholic beverage establishments" use on the subject site even though this nonconforming use was discontinued for a period of six months or more.

**STANDARD FOR A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO OPERATE A NONCONFORMING USE IF THAT USE IS DISCONTINUED FOR SIX MONTHS OR MORE**: The Dallas Development Code states that the Board may grant a special exception to operate a nonconforming use that has been discontinued for six months or more if the owner can show that there was a clear intent not to abandon the nonconforming use even though the use was discontinued for six months or more.

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

No staff recommendation is made on this or any request for a special exception to operate a nonconforming use if that use is discontinued for six months or more since the basis for this type of appeal is based on whether the board determines that there was a clear intent not to abandon the nonconforming use even though the use was discontinued for six months or more.

#### BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

#### <u>Zoning:</u>

| <u>Site</u> : | CR (Community Retail) |
|---------------|-----------------------|
| North:        | CR (Community Retail) |
| South:        | CR (Community Retail) |
| <u>East</u> : | CR (Community Retail) |

West: CR (Community Retail)

#### Land Use:

The subject site is developed with what appears to be a nonresidential structure that is vacant. The areas to the north, east, south, and west appear to be developed mostly as commercial/retail 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.

#### Timeline:

- January 28, 2014: 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 14, 2014: The Board of Adjustment Secretary randomly assigned this case to Board of Adjustment Panel B.
- March 14, 2014: The Board Administrator contacted the applicant and shared the following information via email:
  - an attachment that provided the public hearing date and panel that will consider the application; the March 26<sup>th</sup> deadline to submit additional evidence for staff to factor into their analysis; and the April 11<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;
  - the section from the Dallas Development Code pertaining to nonconforming uses and structures; and
  - the Board of Adjustment Working Rules of Procedure pertaining to "documentary evidence."
- April 8, 2014 : 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 Assistant Building Official, the Board Administrator, the Building Inspection Senior Plans Examiner/Development Code Specialist, the Sustainable Development and Construction Department Senior Engineer, the City of Dallas Chief Arborist, the Sustainable Development and Construction Department Planner, and the Assistant City Attorney to the Board.

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

### GENERAL FACTS/STAFF ANALYSIS:

- This special exception request is made to restore nonconforming use rights (and obtain a Certificate of Occupancy) for a nonconforming "alcoholic beverage establishments" use that has been discontinued for six months or more, and to obtain a Certificate of Occupancy (CO) for this use.
- The Dallas Development Code defines "nonconforming use" as "a use that does not conform to the use regulations of this chapter, but was lawfully established under the regulations in force at the beginning of operation and has been in regular use since that time.

The nonconforming use regulations state it is the declared purpose of the nonconforming use section of the code that nonconforming uses be eliminated and be required to comply with the regulations of the Dallas Development Code, having due regard for the property rights of the persons affected, the public welfare, and the character of the surrounding area.

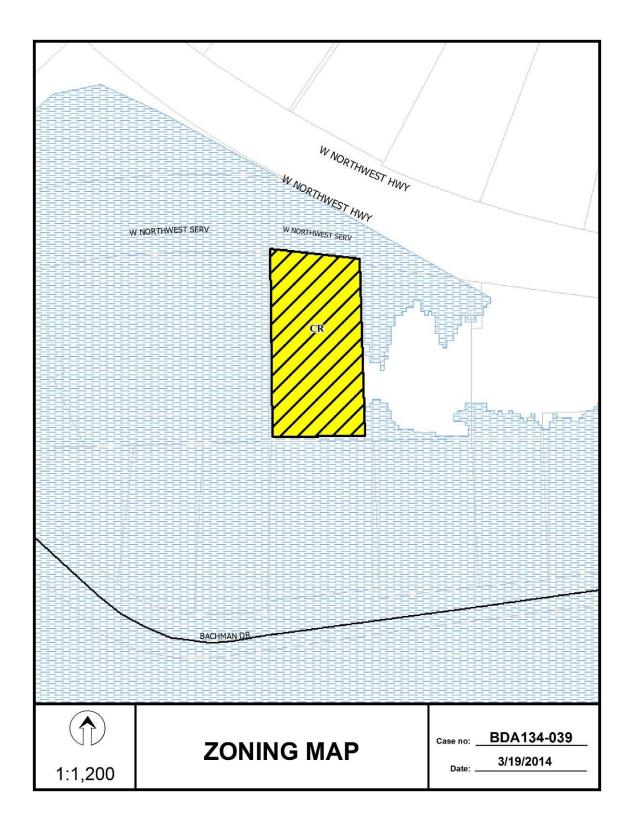
The nonconforming use regulations also states that the right to operate a nonconforming use ceases if the nonconforming use is discontinued for six months or more, and that the board of adjustment may grant a special exception to operate a nonconforming use that has been discontinued for six months or more if the owner can show that there was a clear intent not to abandon the nonconforming use even though the use was discontinued for six months or more.

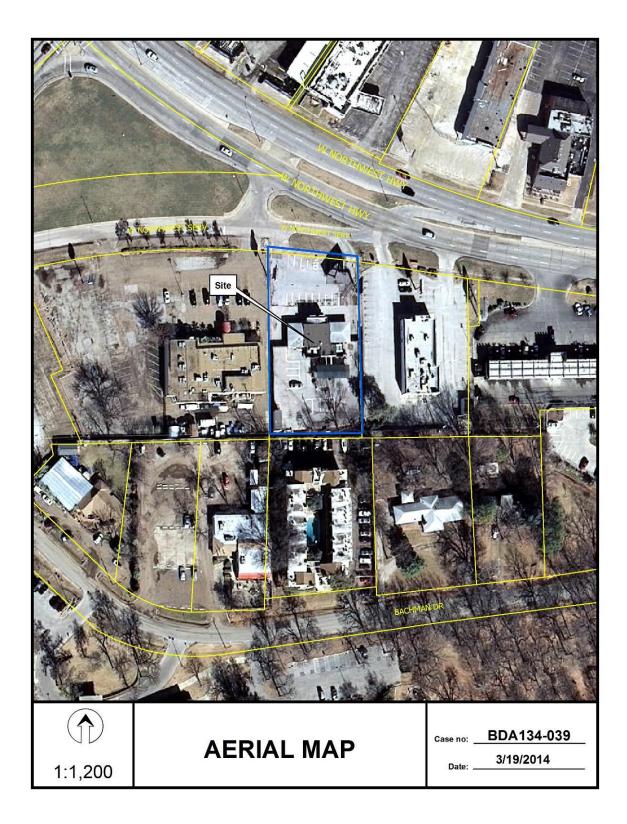
- The subject site is zoned CR a zoning district that does permits an "alcoholic beverage establishments" use by SUP only.
- A document has been included in the case file that states the following:
  - 1. The nonconforming use to be reinstated: alcoholic beverage establishment.
  - 2. Reason the use is classified as nonconforming: Allowed only by SUP.
  - 3. Date that the use became nonconforming: October 2012\*
  - 4. Date the nonconforming use was discontinued: October 2012
  - 5. Current zoning of the property on which the use is located: CR
  - 6. Previous zoning of the property on which the use is located: CR

(\* Building Inspection has determined that the actual date in which this use became nonconforming was June 23, 1993).

- Building Inspection has stated that these types of special exception request originate from when an owner/officer related to the property apply for a CO and Building Inspection sees that the use is a nonconforming use. Before a CO can be issued, the City requires the owner/officer related to the property to submit affidavits stating that the use was not abandoned for any period in excess of 6 months since the issuance of the last valid CO. The owners/officers must submit documents and records indicating continuous uninterrupted use of the nonconforming use, which in this case, they could not.
- If the Board were to grant this request, the nonconforming "alcoholic beverage establishments" use on the site would be subject to the possibility of an application that may be brought to the Board of Adjustment requesting that the board establish a compliance date as is the case with any other nonconforming use in the city.
- The "alcoholic beverage establishments" use can obtain "conforming use" status with a change in zoning.

- The owner could develop the site with any use that is permitted by right in the site's existing CR zoning classification.
- The applicant has the burden of proof in establishing the following related to the special exception request:
  - There was a clear intent not to abandon the nonconforming "alcoholic beverage establishments" use on the subject site even though the use was discontinued for six months or more.
- Granting this request would reinstate/restore the nonconforming "alcoholic beverage establishments" use rights that were lost when the use was abandoned for a period of six months or more.
- If restored/reinstated, the nonconforming use would be subject to compliance with use regulations of the Dallas Development Code by the Board of Adjustment as any other nonconforming use in the city. (The applicant has been advised by staff of Section 51A-4.704 which is the provision in the Dallas Development Code pertaining to "Nonconforming Uses and Structures").







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# APPLICATION/APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

| Case No.: BDA 134-039  |
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| Data Relative to Subject Property: Date: <u>2-28-14</u>  |
| Location address: 3606 WEST Northwest Huy Zoning District: CR  |
| Location address: <u>3666</u> WEST Howthwest Hwy Zoning District: <u>CR</u><br>Lot No.: <u>9</u> Block No.: <u>5784</u> Acreage: <u>6.698</u> Census Tract: <u>4.06</u>  |
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| Street Frontage (in Feet): 1) 1 2 3 2) 3) 4) 5) 5) 70 the Honorable Board of Adjustment :  |
| Owner of Property (per Warranty Deed): CDW42D DOW, NGUEZ   |
| Applicant: EDWAYLD DOWINGUEZ Telephone: 214-363-0703   |
| Mailing Address: 4134 Lovars LANE Zip Code: 75225  |
| E-mail Address: big Tupy a VAhoo. com  |
| Represented by: <u>EDDIE DOWINGUE</u> Telephone: <u>214-363-6703</u>   |
| Mailing Address: 4134 Lovas LANE Zip Code: 7525  |
| E-mail Address: <u>big Tupy @ yahoo.</u> com   |
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| <u>Affidavit</u>   |
| Before me the undersigned on this day personally appeared<br>(Affiant/Applicant's name printed)  |
| who on (his/her) oath certifies that the above statements are true and correct to his/her best<br>knowledge and that he/she is the owner/or principal/or authorized representative of the subject<br>property.   |
| Respectfully submitted: 21 Woy of Vinger   |
| (Affiant/Applicantesignature)  |
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| Chairman  |                       | MEMORANDUM OF<br>ACTION TAKEN BY THE<br>BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT<br>Appeal wasGranted OR Denied<br>Remarks |  |  |  |
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| Building Official's Report           I hereby certify that         Edward Dominguez |                       |   |  |  |  |
|   | l hereby certify that |   |  |  |  |
| did submit a request  |                       | to restore a nonconforming use  |  |  |  |

at 3006 W. Northwest Hwy.

BDA134-039. Application of Edward Dominguez to restore a nonconforming use at 3006 W. Northwest Hwy. This property is more fully described as Lot 9, Block B/5784, and is zoned CR, which limits the legal uses in a zoning district. The applicant proposes to restor a nonconforming alcoholic beverage establishment use, which will require a special exception to the nonconforming use regulation.

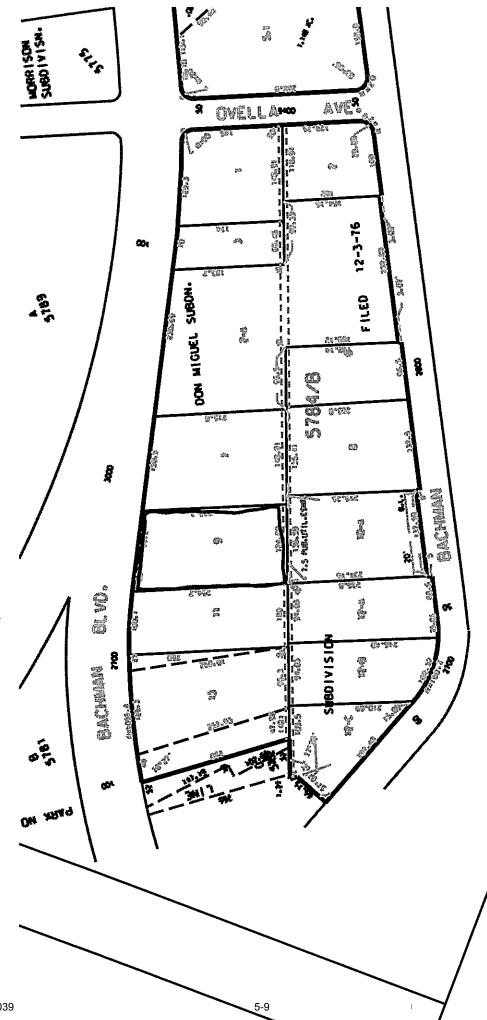
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Sincerely,

Larry Holmes, Building Official

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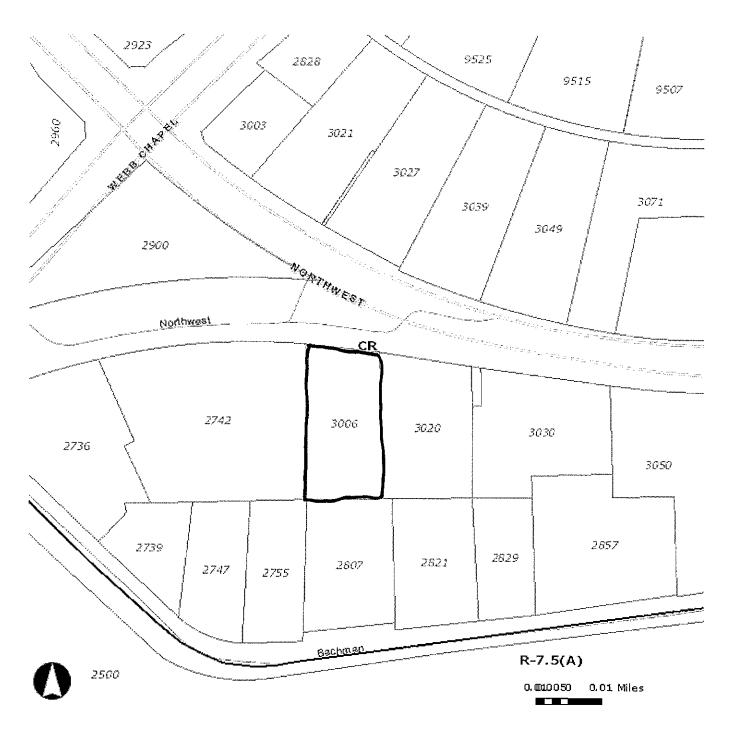
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#### **Zoning Board of Adjustment**

### Appeal to establish a compliance date for a nonconforming use. Sec. 51A-4.704(a)(1)(A)

or

# Appeal to reinstate a nonconforming use. Sec. 51A-4.704(a)(2)

## SEC. 51A-4.704. NONCONFORMING USES AND STRUCTURES.

Compliance regulations for nonconforming uses. It is the declared purpose of this subsection that nonconforming uses be eliminated and be required to comply with the regulations of the Dallas Development Code, having due regard for the property rights of the persons affected, the public welfare, and the character of the surrounding area.

(1) Amortization of nonconforming uses.

(A) Request to establish compliance date. The city council may request that the board of adjustment consider establishing a compliance date for a nonconforming use. In addition, any person who resides or owns real property in the city may request that the board consider establishing a compliance date for a nonconforming use. Upon receiving such a request, the board shall hold a public hearing to determine whether continued operation of the nonconforming use will have an adverse effect on nearby properties. If, based on the evidence presented at the public hearing, the board determines that continued operation of the use will have an adverse effect on nearby properties, it shall proceed to establish a compliance date for the nonconforming use; otherwise, it shall not.

(2) The right to operate a nonconforming use ceases if the nonconforming use is discontinued for six months or more. The board may grant a special exception to this provision only if the owner can show that there was a clear intent not to abandon the use even though the use was discontinued for six months or 1 more .

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| 2. Reason the use is classified as nonconforming: ONLY AUWED by SUP<br>(Was there a change in zoning of the property or in the use requirements. Be specific.)   |  |  |  |  |  |
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| <ol> <li>Current zoning of the property on which the use is located: <u>CR - Community</u> <u>Letric</u></li> <li>Previous zoning of the property on which the use is located: <u>CR - Community</u> <u>Letric</u></li> <li>(Applies if a zoning district change caused the use to become nonconforming.)</li> </ol> |  |  |  |  |  |
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February 14, 2014

Mr. David Mitchell 3577 N. Beltline Road, #242 Irving, TX 75062

RE: Certificate of Occupancy Application for 3006 W. Northwest Highway

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

You applied for a Certificate of Occupancy (CO) on January 27, 2014 to operate an "Alcoholic Business Establishment" at the above location. This property is located in a CR-Community Retail zoning district. An alcoholic beverage establishment is only allowed in a CR zoning district by Specific Use Permit (SUP).

While this property was previously used as an alcoholic beverage establishment without an SUP due to nonconforming rights, city utility records indicate there was zero water usage on the water account from October 2012 until February 2014. Section 51A-4.704(a)(2) of the Dallas Development Code provides that the right to operate a nonconforming use ceases if the nonconforming use is discontinued for six months or more. Based on zero water usage, it is determined that the nonconforming alcoholic beverage establishment use was discontinued because it did not operate for six months or more. This means that your CO application was approved in error and is not denied.

You have several options available to you if you wish to occupy the building:

- 1. You may change the previous nonconforming use to a conforming use.
- 2. You may apply for an (SUP to operate an alcoholic beverage establishment,
- 3. You may request a special exception from the Board of Adjustment if the owner can show that there was a clear intent not to abandon the use even though the use was discontinued for six months or more.
- 4. You may appeal this determination of the Building Official to the Board of Adjustment if you feel this determination was made in error.

If you wish to change the use of the property to a conforming use, you can visit with a Plans Examiner to discuss the requirements. If you wish to apply for an SUP, you may contact Current Planning at 214-670-44209. If you wish to request a special exception or appeal the decision of the Building Official, you may contact Todd Duerksen at 214-948-4475. If you wish to appeal the determination of the Building Official, you must file the appeal within 15 days of the date of this letter.

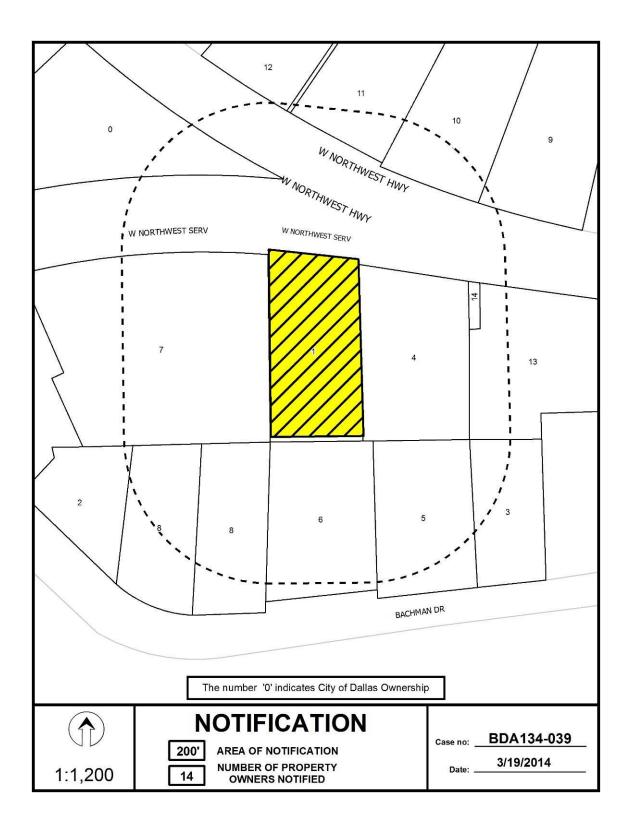
Please feel free to contact me at 214-948-4330 if you have any questions.

Sincerely. Larry V. Holmes

**Chief Building Official** 

Olga Torres-Holvoak Cc: Todd Duerksen

| Certificate of Occupancy<br>Occupancy | 3006 W NORTHWEST HWY 75220<br>JOE DALE MCKNIGHT<br>000000 | OLIC BEVERAGE ESTABLISHMENT | Issue Date: 02/04/1987 | Zoning: HC-FP PDD: 0 SUP:<br>Pro Park Agrmt: N<br>Occ Code: B2 Lot Area: 0 Total Area: 0<br>Occ Load: Alcohol: N Dance Floor: N<br>HRS. CARTAGE;MAX OCC LD=81,LS<br>Building Official<br>Events at all times.<br>Building Official<br>e shall be displayed on the above premise at all times. |            |  |
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| City of Dallas                        | Address:  | Owner                       | DBA:                   | Land Use.   | 0.0#       | Lot:<br>Historic Dist:<br>Dwlg Units: 0<br>Type Const: III<br>Remarks: 1-  |



# Notification List of Property Owners

## BDA134-039

### 14 Property Owners Notified

| Label # | Address |               | Owner                                    |
|---------|---------|---------------|--|
| 1       | 3006    | NORTHWEST HWY | DOMINGUEZ EDWARD                         |
| 2       | 2739    | BACHMAN DR    | CHAMBERLAIN NICHOLAS & KIMBERLY JONES    |
| 3       | 2829    | BACHMAN DR    | 2829 BACHMAN LLC                         |
| 4       | 3020    | NORTHWEST HWY | ROYAL PALACE CHINESE INC %DAI QUOC TRAN  |
| 5       | 2821    | BACHMAN DR    | ROSAS REFUGIO J GANDARA & CAROL L GANDAR |
| 6       | 2807    | BACHMAN DR    | BACHMAN PLACE LLC                        |
| 7       | 2742    | BACHMAN DR    | PIRRING INTERNATIONAL INC                |
| 8       | 2747    | BACHMAN DR    | LOVE FIELD POST 453 INC AMERICAN LEGION  |
| 9       | 3049    | NORTHWEST HWY | LOPEZ HECTOR & SONIA                     |
| 10      | 3039    | NORTHWEST HWY | WEBB EXTENSION NW LP STE 300             |
| 11      | 3027    | NORTHWEST HWY | HARRISON MIKE                            |
| 12      | 3021    | NORTHWEST HWY | G MEDINA ENTERPRISES INC                 |
| 13      | 3030    | NORTHWEST HWY | BOW ORE HOLDINGS LLC % STEPHEN J SEGAL   |
| 14      | 3030    | NORTHWEST HWY | ARRINGTON OUTDOOR ADVERTISING LP         |