BOARD OF APPEALS

John Tate, Chairman Marsha Hopkins, Vice-Chairman Bill Beckwith Brian Haren Kyle McCormick

STAFF

Deborah L. Bell, Planning and Zoning Director Deborah Sims, Zoning Administrator Maria Binns, Zoning Coordinator E. Allison Ivey Cox, County Attorney

AGENDA

Fayette County Zoning Board of Appeals
Fayette County Administrative Complex
Public Meeting Room
August 25, 2025
7:00 P.M.

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- 1. Call to Order.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Approval of Agenda.
- 4. Consideration of the Minutes of the Meeting held on July 28, 2025.

PUBLIC HEARING

- 5. Consideration of Petition No. A-900-25 Tashia Finney, Owner. Variance to Sec. 110-125(d)(1)- A-R., as allowed under Sec. 110-242(c)(1)- Requesting a variance to the minimum lot size for a legal nonconforming lot, to allow a lot that is 4.793 acres in the A-R zoning district to be eligible for development. The subject property is located in Land Lot 11 of the 5th District and fronts Weldon Road.
- 6. Consideration of Petition No. A-901-25-A Coppolino Living Trust, Applicants are requesting A-901-25-A. Variance Per Sec. 110-125(d)(6) Request to reduce the side yard setback from 50 feet to 14.4 feet to allow an accessory structure to remain. The subject property is located in Land Lots 227 of the 4th District and fronts Busbin Road.
- 7. Consideration of Petition No. A-901-25-B Coppolino Living Trust, Applicants are requesting A-901-25-B. Variance Per Sec. 110-125(d)(6) Request to reduce the side yard setback from 50 feet to 32.1 feet to allow an accessory structure to remain. The subject property is located in Land Lots 227 of the 4th District and fronts Busbin Road.

Minutes 07/28/2025

THE FAYETTE COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS met on July 28, 2025, at 7:00 P.M. in the Fayette County Administrative Complex, 140 Stonewall Avenue West, Fayetteville, Georgia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Tate, Chairman

Marsha Hopkins, Vice-Chairman

Bill Beckwith Brian Haren Kyle McCormick

STAFF PRESENT: Debbie Bell, Planning and Zoning Director

Deborah Sims, Zoning Administrator E. Allison Ivey Cox, County Attorney

Maria Binns, Zoning Secretary

1. Call to Order. Chairman John Tate called the July 28, 2025, meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman John Tate offered the invocation and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Approval of Agenda. Bill Beckwith made a motion to approve the agenda. Brian Haren seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Zoning Administrator Deborah Sims was absent.
- 4. Consideration of the Minutes of the Meeting held on June 23, 2025. Brian Haren made the motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 23, 2025. Kyle McCormick seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-1. Marsha Hopkins abstained from voting as she wasn't present at the last meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING

5. Consideration of Petition No. A-899-25 – Lawrence and Nancy Boyle, Owner(s). Per Sec. 110-125(d)(6), the side yard setback in the A-R Zoning District is required to be 50 feet. Applicants are requesting a variance to reduce the side yard setback from 50' to 25' to allow the construction of a detached garage. The subject property is located in Land Lot 100 of the 4th District and fronts Morgan Mill Road.

Ms. Bell introduced the petition, stating the existing garage and driveway pose challenges, and reducing setbacks is unlikely to cause issues for nearby properties. The lot is a legal record parcel with a rectangular shape. If placed on the west side of the house, the driveway will pass through the front yard and cannot be on the backyard because of the septic system location.

Chairman John Tate asked the audience if anyone would like to speak on

behalf of the petition.?

Mr. Lawrence M. Boyle is attempting to locate the garage without extensive land disturbance. He stated they are planning to place the garage at the driveway's end, but will need to redirect water flow, potentially cutting tree roots for some of the trees they are trying to preserve, and minimize destruction.

No one spoke in opposition to the petition. The item was brought back to the board for questions.

Bill Beckwith asked the petitioner by rotating the garage 45 degrees to align with the driveway, and will this impact the drainage area?

Mr. Boyle responded that the drainage comes out of the back and will impact the parking area already set there. The requested location will give them good access to the new garage.

Bill Beckwith asked how many cars the new structure will fit.

Mr. Boyle responded one car.

Mr Brian Haren asked what structure is on the west side of the property?

Mr. Boyle responded it is a she shed.

Mr. Haren asked if the petitioner had talked to the neighbors about the petition.?

Mr. Boyle responded Yes, they are fine with the petition. He also added that they might not use the 25 feet requested, but wanted to have plenty of space not to come back and ask for another variance.

Chairman Tate asked if there was a barrier between the neighbors and his property.

Mr. Boyle responded their backyard is fenced, and the new garage will be in front of it.

Mr. Kyle McCormick asked the petitioner if he is asking for a 25 feet variance, will he only use 34 setback?

Mr. Boyle responded Yes, total is 34. He is a retired constructor, and projects don't go well sometimes, and you find you need more space to work with.

| Brian Haren made a motion to APPROVE Petition No. A-899-25 | . Chairman |
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| John Tate seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0. | |

Chairman John Tate moved to adjourn the July 28, 2025, Zoning Board of Appeals meeting. Bill Beckwith seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
OF
FAYETTE COUNTY

JOHN TATE, CHAIRMAN

DEBORAH BELL DIRECTOR, PLANNING & ZONING

PETITION NO: A-900-25

Requested Actions: Variance to Sec. 110-125.(d)(1). – A-R, as allowed under Sec. 110-242(c)(1) – Requesting a variance to the minimum lot size for a legal nonconforming lot, to allow a lot that is 4.793 acres to be eligible for development.

Location: Weldon Road, Fayetteville, Georgia 30215

Parcel(s): 0506 060

District/Land Lot(s): 5th District, Land Lot(s) 11

Zoning: A-R, Agricultural-Residential

Lot Size: 4.793 Acres

Owner(s): Tashia Finney (Tashia Leary)

Agent: N/A

Zoning Board of Appeal Public Hearing: August 25, 2025

REQUEST

Applicant is requesting the following:

Per Sec. 110-242(c)(1), the applicant is requesting a variance to Sec. 110-125.(d)(1), A-R, to reduce the minimum lot size in the A-R zoning district for a legal nonconforming lot, to allow a lot that is 4.793 acres to be eligible for development. The variance amount is 0.207 acres.

STAFF ASSESSMENT

It is staff's opinion that this parcel meets the criteria to be eligible for a variance to the minimum lot size under Sec. 110-242.

- The lot is a legal nonconforming lot. It has 4.793 acres, which is less than the required 5.0 acres in the A-R zoning district. However, it meets the criteria to be eligible for a variance to the minimum lot size under Sec. 110-242.
- The lot was created by deed and plat recorded in Deed Book 203, Pages 430, on June 8, 1979.
- The variance is necessary for the owners to be able to obtain a building permit for their house.

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VARIANCE SUMMARY & CRITERIA FOR CONSIDERATION

Staff Assessment

Please refer to the application form for the applicant's justification of criteria.

The Fayette County Zoning Ordinance, Sec. 110-242. (b) states that in order to grant a variance, the Zoning Board of Appeals shall and must find that all five (5) conditions below exist.

1. There are extraordinary and exceptional conditions pertaining to the particular piece of property in question because of its size, shape or topography.

This parcel was created by a deed and plat recorded in Deed Book 203, Pages 430, which was recorded on June 8, 1979. It is unique in that it is a legal nonconforming lot that is slightly less than the current A-R requirement of 5.0 acres.

2. The application of these regulations to this particular piece of property would create a practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship; and,

The owners would not be able to get a building permit without a variance to the lot size.

- **3. Such conditions are peculiar to the particular piece of property involved; and,** *The conditions are unique to this parcel, and the property was a legal lot when it was created.*
- 4. Relief, if granted, would not cause substantial detriment to the public good or impair the purposes and intent of these regulations; provided, however, no variance may be granted for a use of land or building or structure that is prohibited by this Ordinance; and

The variance will not be detrimental to the public good.

5. A literal interpretation of this Ordinance would deprive the applicant of any rights that others in the same District are allowed; and,

The applicant would not be able to build a home on this parcel without the variance.

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HISTORY

This parcel is a legal lot of record documented in a deed and plat recorded in Deed Book 203 Page 430 on June 8, 1979. The property was zoned from A-R as part of the original county zoning ordinances.

ZONING REQUIREMENTS

Sec. 110-242. Powers and duties.

- (c) Request for a variance: Nonconforming Lots. The zoning board of appeals may authorize, upon appeal in specific cases, a variance from the terms of these regulations as will not be contrary to the public interest where, owing to special conditions, a literal enforcement of the provisions of these regulations will, in an individual case, result in practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship, so that the spirit of these regulations shall be observed, public safety and welfare secured, and substantial justice done.
- (1) The owner of a nonconforming lot may request a variance to the minimum lot size for its zoning district. However, no nonconforming lot shall be eligible for a variance to the minimum lot size which would result in the nonconforming lot being less than one acre in size. Should the subject nonconforming lot require a well for its water supply, no such nonconforming lot shall be eligible for a variance to the minimum lot size which would result in such nonconforming lot being less than one and one-half acres in size.

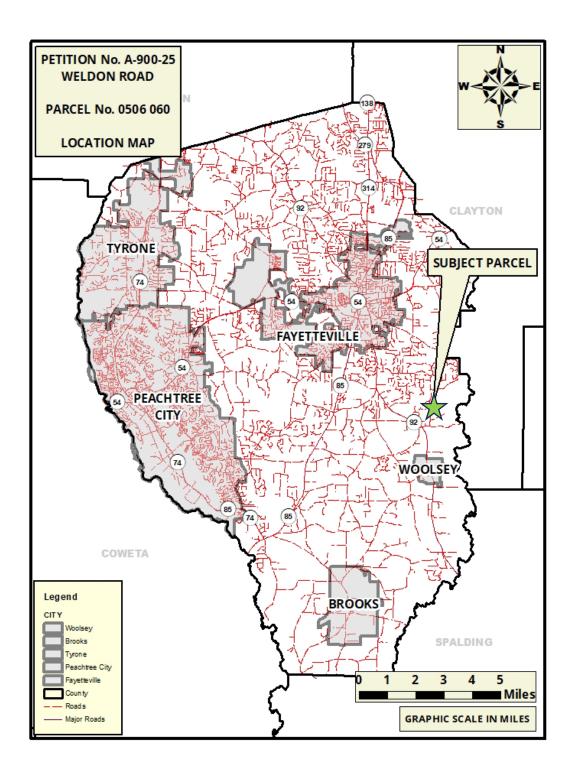
Sec. 110-125. - A-R, Agricultural-Residential District.

- (d) Dimensional requirements. The minimum dimensional requirements in the A-R zoning district shall be as follows:
 - (1) Lot area: 217,800 square feet (five acres).
 - (2) Lot width: 250 feet.
 - (3) Floor area: 1,200 square feet.
 - (4) Front yard setback:
 - a. Major thoroughfare:
 - Arterial: 100 feet.
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 - b. Minor thoroughfare: 75 feet.
 - (5) Rear yard setback: 75 feet.
 - (6) Side yard setback: 50 feet.

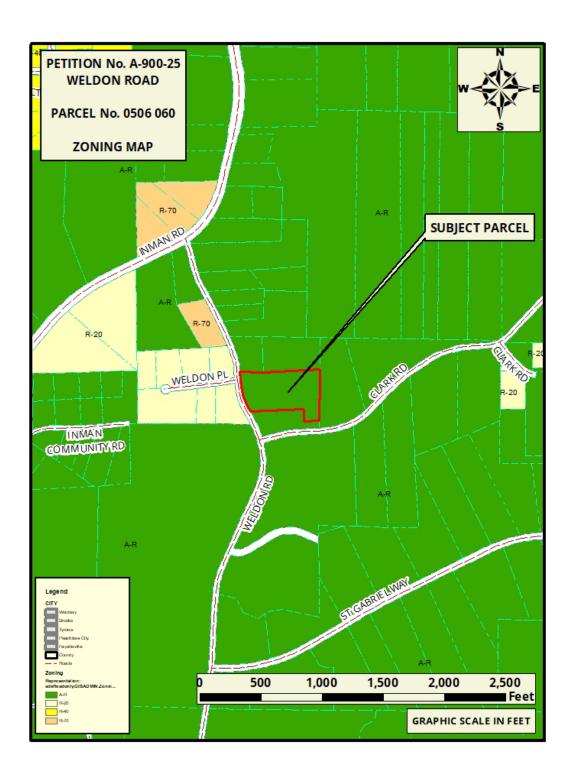
DEPARTMENTAL COMMENTS

| ш | water system - No objections. |
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| | <u>Public Works</u> – No objections. |
| | <u>Environmental Management</u> – No objections. |
| | Environmental Health Department – This office has no objection to the proposed variance. |
| | <u>Department of Building Safety</u> – No comments. |
| | <u>Fire</u> – No comments. |
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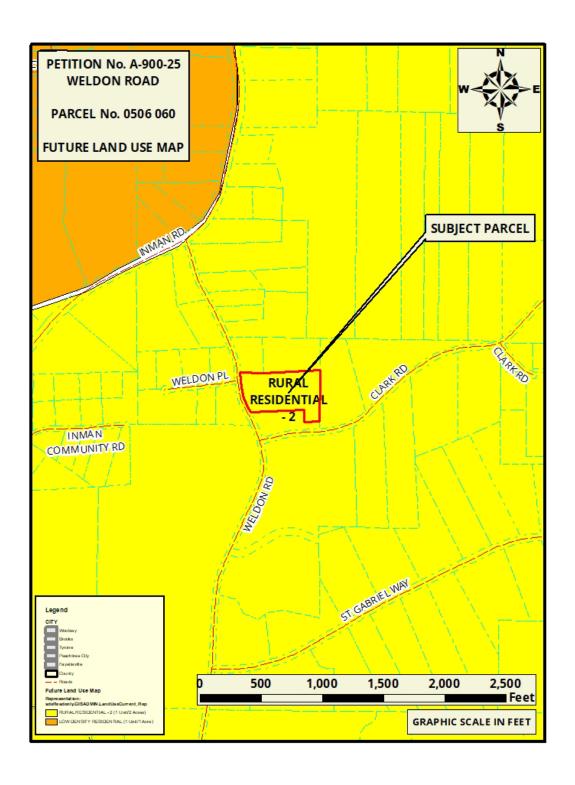
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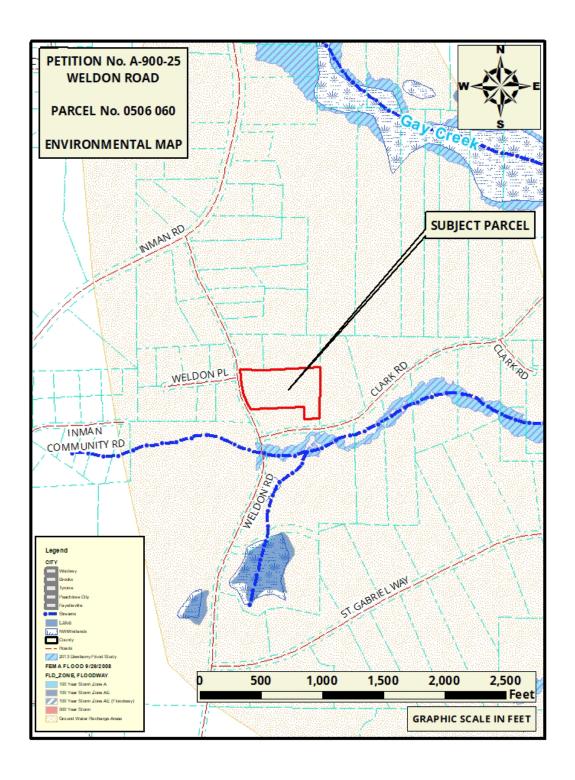
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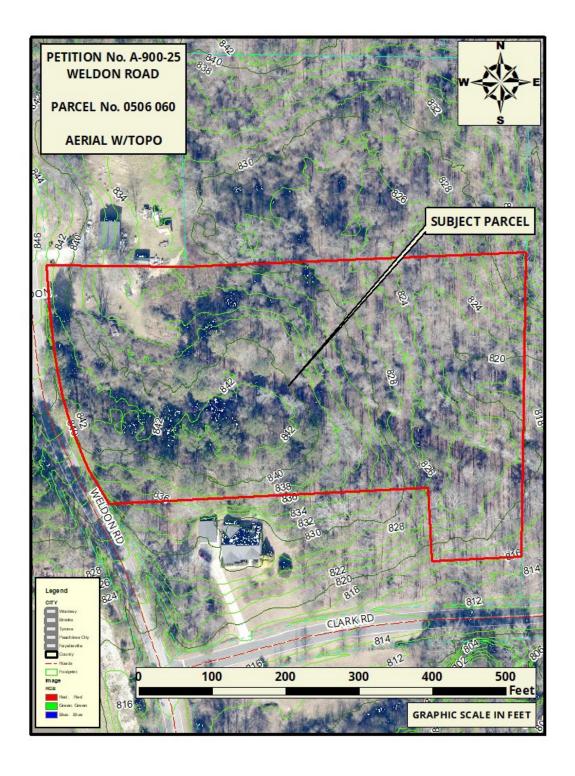
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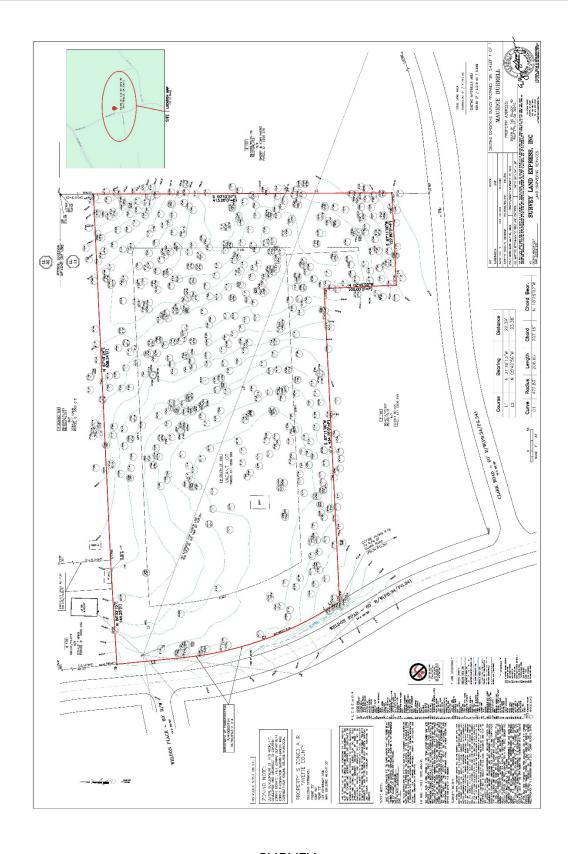
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FAYETTE COUNTY, GEORGIA VARIANCE APPLICATION TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

| PROPERTY INFORMATION: | |
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| Parcel No. <u>0506-060</u> Acreage: 4,793 | Land Lot: // Land District: 5 th |
| Address: 1568 Weldon Rd | |
| Zoning: | Zoning of Surrounding Properties: |
| Use: | |
| PROPERTY OWNER INFORMATION | AGENT/DEVELOPER INFORMATION (If not owner) |
| Name Tashia Finney | Name |
| Email | Email |
| Address | Address |
| City | City |
| State Georgia Zip | StateZip |
| Phone | Phone |
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| PETITION NUMBER: A-900-25 (THIS AREA TO | BE COMPLETED BY STAFF): |
| Application Insufficient due to lack of: | |
| by Staff: | Date: |
| ☐ Application and all required supporting documentation | n is Sufficient and Complete |
| by Staff: Maia Binns | Date: 06/20/2025 |
| DATE OF ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS HEARING: | Jugust 25, 2025 |
| Received payment from Tashia Finney | a check in the amount of \$ $175.\infty$ |
| for application filing fee, and \$ 20.00 | for deposit on frame for public hearing sign(s). |
| Date Paid 06 /20/2025 | Receipt Number: 024397 |

PROPERTY OWNER CONSENT AND AGENT AUTHORIZATION FORM

(Applications require authorization by ALL property owners of subject property)

| Name(s) | Tashia Finney | | erty. |
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| | Please Print Owners' I | Vames | |
| Property | Tax Identification Number(s) of Subject Property: | 060 | |
| of the District, a | e are) the sole owner(s) of the above-referenced proper <u>5</u> り District, and (if applicable to more than and said property consists of a total of <u>4,793</u> gal description corresponding to most recent recorded | an one land district) Land Lot(s) _ | of the |
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| any pape (I) (We) u County Z given her | ertify that all of the information filed with this application or plans submitted herewith are true and correct to the inderstand that this application, attachments and feest coning Department and may not be refundable. (I) (We rein by me/us will result in the denial, revocation or adjusted acknowledge that additional information may be on. | the best of (my) (our) knowledge as s become part of the official reco e) understand that any knowingly ministrative withdrawal of the ap | and belief. Further, ords of the Fayette y false information plication or permit. |
| Owner/ Agent One: | Signature Name: Address: City/State/Zip Date: Le 19-2025 | Notary: Notary: Commission Exp.: 4405 | TERESA 8 TERESA 8 TERESA 8 TERESA 8 TERESA 8 TOTARL |
| Owner/ Agent Two: | Signature Name: Address: City/State/Zip: Date: | Notary: Commission Exp.: | (seal) |
| Owner/ Agent Three: | SignatureName:Address:City/State/Zip: | Notary: Commission Exp.: | (seal) |

VARIANCE INFORMATION

Complete the chart below with the information pertaining to each request. If additional space is needed, please provide the information on a separate sheet of paper.

| Ordinance/Section | 110-125 (d)(1) Lot area |
|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Requirement | 5.0 acres |
| Proposed Change | 4.793 acres |
| Variance Amount | |
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| Variance Amount | |

VARIANCE SUMMARY

| Provide a detailed and specific summary of each request. If additional space is needed, please |
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| attach a separate sheet of paper. |
| Per. Sec. 110-242, a legal nonconforming undeveloped |
| lot is eligible to reguest a variance to the minimum |
| lot size. This lot is zoned A-R, which requires 5.0 acres |
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2025 Variance Application

JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST

The Fayette County Zoning Ordinance, Section 110-242 (b) states that in order to grant a variance, the Zoning Board of Appeals shall and must find that all five (5) conditions below exist. Please read each standard below and then address each standard with a detailed response. Attach additional information/documentation as necessary.

| 1. | There are extraordinary and exceptional conditions pertaining to the particular piece of property in question because of its size, shape or topography. |
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CHECKLIST OF ITEMS REQUIRED TO BE SUBMITTED FOR ZBA REQUESTS

(All applications/documentation must be complete at the time of submittal, or the application will not be accepted)

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| Applic | ation form and all required attachments, completed, signed, and notarized (if applicable). |
| | of latest <u>recorded</u> deed, including legal description of the boundaries of the subject property, ing total acreage. |
| One co | opy of the survey plat of the property, drawn to scale with accurate dimensions, with the following ted: |
| a. b. | Location and size of existing structures (principal and accessory) and improvements on the parcel, including type (residential or non-residential), floor area, and accessory uses. Structures proposed to be removed must be indicated and labeled as such. Note: Minimum setbacks and buffers from all property lines of subject property required in |
| | Location of exits/entrances to the subject property. Location of all existing and proposed easements and streets on or adjacent to the subject property, indicating width of existing and proposed easements, width of right-of-way, and centerline of streets. |
| e. f. g. | Location of all utilities, including well or water lines. Location of septic tank, drainfield, and drainfield replacement area. Location and elevation of the 100-year flood plain and watershed protection buffers and setbacks (if applicable). |
| | Location of on-site stormwater facilities to include detention or retention facilities (if applicable). |
| i. i | Parking locations, number of parking spaces, and parking bay and aisle dimensions (if applicable). |
| J. Applic | Location of landscaped areas, buffers, or tree save areas (if applicable). |

PLANNING AND ZONING STAFF INFORMATION BELOW

| Staff Reviewed By | Requirements | Proposed |
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| Name: Jeoble Bell | Lot Size: 5.0 | 4.793 |
| Lot: | Width at Building Line: | |
| Zoning: A C | Front Setback: | |
| Flood: Yes/ No MFFE: | Side Setback: | |
| Stream Buffers: | Rear Setback: | |
| Number of Frontages | House Size: | |

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PETITIONS FOR VARIANCE(S)/ ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL(S)/ ON CERTAIN PROPERTIES IN UNINCORPORATED AREA OF FAYETTE COUNTY, GEORGIA PUBLIC HEARING to be held by the Zoning Board of Appeals of Fayette County on Monday, August 25, 2025, at 7:00 P.M., Fayette County Administrative Complex, Public Meeting Room, 140 Stonewall Avenue West, first floor. Petition No.: A-900-25 Owner: Tashia Finney Property Address: South of 156 Weldon Road Parcel: 0506 060 Zoning District: A-R Area of Property: 4.793 acres Land Lot(s): 11 District: 5th Road Frontage: Weldon Road Request: Applicant is requesting the following: Variance to Sec. 110-125(d)(1)- A-R., as allowed under Sec. 110-242(c)(1)-Requesting a variance to the minimum lot size for a legal nonconforming lot, to allow a lot that is 4.793 acres in the A-R zoning district to be eligible for development. WARRANTY DEED All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 11 of the 5th District of Fayette County, Georgia and being a portion of those lands described in a plat dated 5-19-78, prepared by Lee **Engineering Company for Lucious** Hand and being more particularly described as follows: TO ARRIVE At the point of beginning hereof, start at a point located in the Northeast corner of Land Lot 11; go thence South 87 degrees 27 minutes West along the North line of Land Lot 11, 1455 feet to an iron pin; go thence South o degrees 22 minutes East 240 feet to a point, which is the point of beginning; running thence South o degrees 22 minutes East 414.2 feet to an iron pin; running thence South 87 degrees 11 minutes West 127.8 feet to a point; running thence North 2 degrees 49 minutes West 100 feet to a point; running thence South 87 degrees 11 minutes West 465.6 feet to; point in the center line of Weldon Rd; running thence Southeasterly, along the center line of Weldon Road 117 feet to a point; running thence South 87 degrees 11 minutes West 145.4 feet to a point; running thence North 1 degree 25 minutes West 413.2 feet to a point; running thence North 86 degrees13 minutes East 177.9 feet to a point; running thence North 87 degrees 27 minutes Ease 522.8 feet to the point of beginning. 07/16

PETITION NO: A-901-25-A

Requested Actions: Applicant is requesting the following:

A-901-25-A. Variance Per Sec. 110-125(d)(6) – Request to reduce the side yard setback from 50 feet to 14.4 feet to allow an accessory structure to remain.

A-901-25-B. Variance Per Sec. 110-125(d)(6) – Request to reduce the side yard setback from 50 feet to 32.1 feet to allow an accessory structure to remain.

Location: 183 Busbin Road, Fayetteville, Georgia 30215

Parcel(s): 0450 042

District/Land Lot(s): 4th District, Land Lot(s) 227

Zoning: A-R, Agricultural-Residential

Lot Size: 21.825 Acres

Owner(s): Coppolini Living Trust

Agent: Mark McCullough

Zoning Board of Appeal Public Hearing: August 25, 2025

REQUEST

Sec. 110-125(d)(6) Side yard setback in the A-R Zoning District is required to be 50'. The applicant requests the following variances:

A-901-25-A. Variance Per Sec. 110-125(d)(6) – Request to reduce the side yard setback from 50 feet to 14.4 feet to allow an accessory structure to remain.

A-901-25-B. Variance Per Sec. 110-125(d)(6) – Request to reduce the side yard setback from 50 feet to 32.1 feet to allow an accessory structure to remain.

STAFF ASSESSMENT

The structure is a barn with lean-to roofs on the sides and rear, and an additional metal shed behind the barn. According to the Tax Assessor's data, the barn was constructed in 1974. The minimum side yard required by the 1971 Zoning Ordinance was 10 feet. This was amended in July of 1974 to be 20 feet. Although we do not know the exact date of construction of the barn (whether it was before or after July 12, 1974), it is quite possible that it was built prior to that amendment. If that were the case, it was in compliance at the time of construction. Given the length of time that the structure has been in this location with no complaints from anyone, it seems unlikely that it will pose any problems for neighboring properties.

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VARIANCE SUMMARY & CRITERIA FOR CONSIDERATION

Staff Assessment

Please refer to the application form for the applicant's justification of criteria.

The Fayette County Zoning Ordinance, Sec. 110-242. (b) states that in order to grant a variance, the Zoning Board of Appeals shall and must find that all five (5) conditions below exist.

1. There are extraordinary and exceptional conditions pertaining to the particular piece of property in question because of its size, shape or topography.

There do not appear to be any environmental or topographical constraints on the parcel.

2. The application of these regulations to this particular piece of property would create a practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship; and,

The parcel is subject to the same requirements as all other properties in the neighborhood. However, the construction of the barn appears to predate certain ordinances that now make it nonconforming.

3. Such conditions are peculiar to the particular piece of property involved; and,

The conditions are unique to this property. It is possible that the barn was built under the 1971 Zoning Ordinance, which required a 10-foot side yard setback. If that is the case, the structure was in compliance at the time of construction.

4. Relief, if granted, would not cause substantial detriment to the public good or impair the purposes and intent of these regulations; provided, however, no variance may be granted for a use of land or building or structure that is prohibited by this Ordinance; and

It is staff's opinion that the encroachment of the building is not likely to have an adverse impact on the neighbors.

5. A literal interpretation of this Ordinance would deprive the applicant of any rights that others in the same District are allowed; and,

The applicant will continue to have the same rights as all other residents in the A-R zoning district.

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HISTORY

This parcel is a legal lot of record documented as Tract 1 on the attached survey and in Deed Book 4188 Pages 567-568, recorded on May 7, 2014.

ZONING REQUIREMENTS

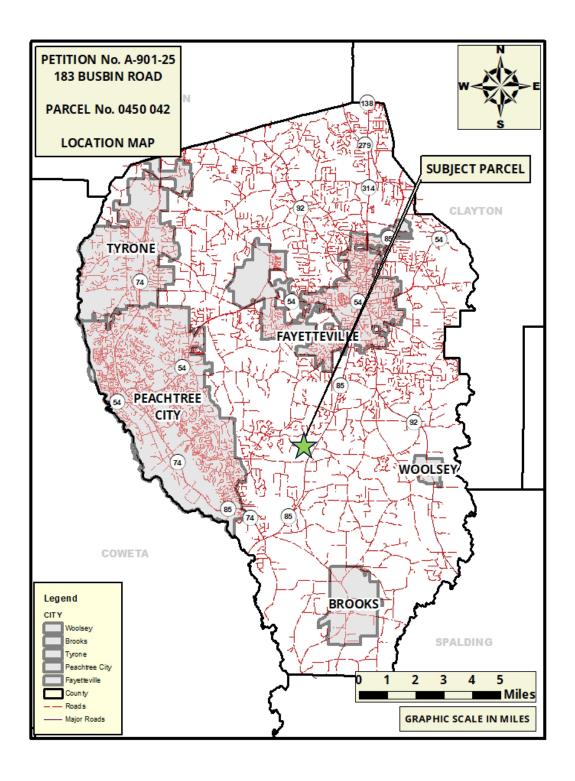
Sec. 110-125. - A-R, Agricultural-Residential District

- (d) *Dimensional requirements.* The minimum dimensional requirements in the A-R zoning district shall be as follows:
 - (6) Side yard setback: 50 feet.

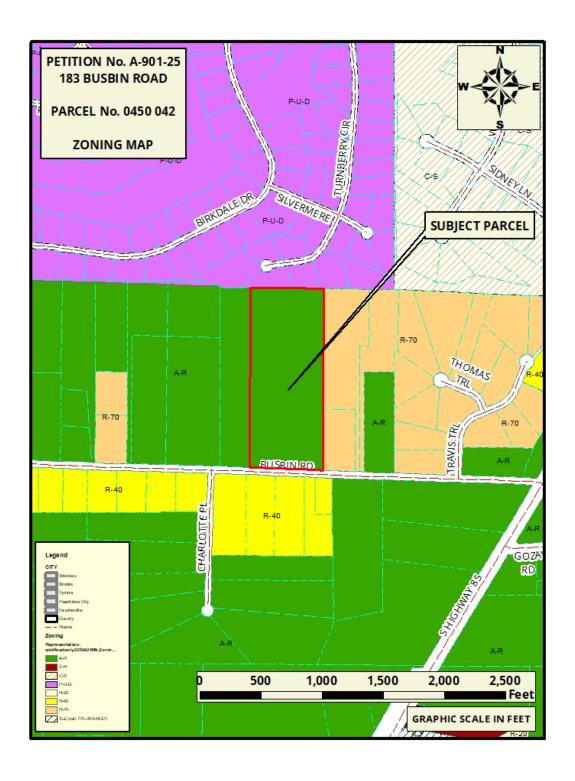
DEPARTMENTAL COMMENTS

| <u>Water System</u> –No comments. |
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| <u>Public Works</u> – No objections. |
| Environmental Management – No objections. |
| Environmental Health Department – No objections. |
| Department of Building Safety – No issues. |
| Fire - No objections |

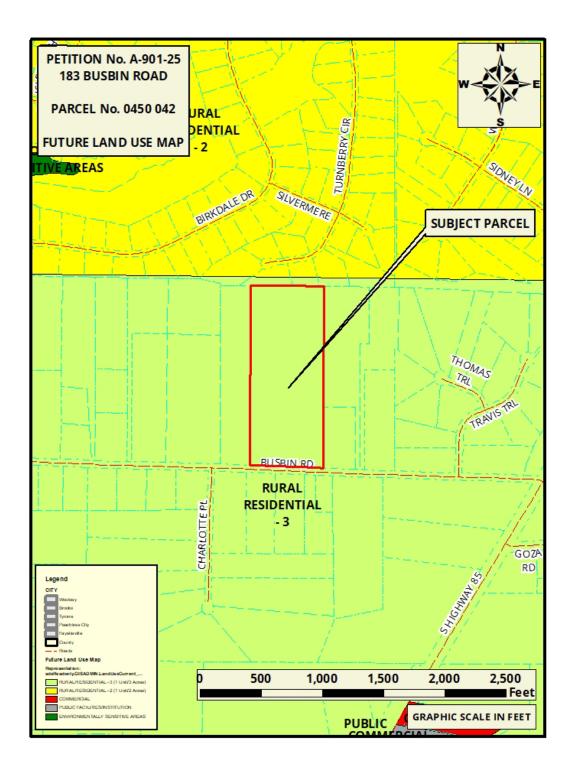
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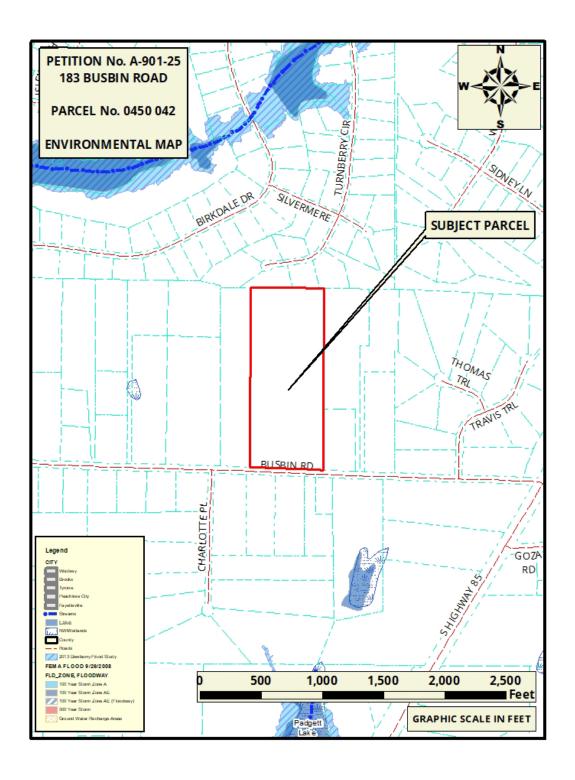
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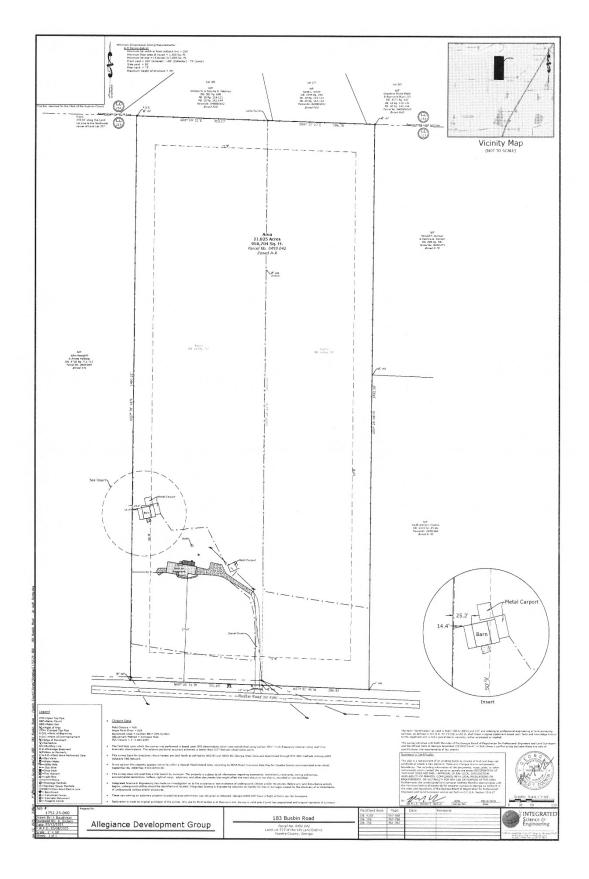
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Petition # A-901-25 (assigned by staff)

FAYETTE COUNTY, GEORGIA VARIANCE APPLICATION TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

| | 0450 042 Acreage: | Land Lot: 227 Land District: 4th | 1 | | |
|---|--|---|--------|--|--|
| Address: _ | 183 Busbin Rd Fayetteville, GA | \ 30215 | | | |
| Zoning: | A-R | Zoning of Surrounding Properties: A-R, R-70, R-40 | & PUD | | |
| Use: | Recidential lote 5 + Acres each | | | | |
| Name Email Address City State | Coppolini Living Trust GA Zip | Address Fayetteville City Ga State Zip Zip | owner) | | |
| PETITION NUMBER: A-901-25 (THIS AREA TO BE COMPLETED BY STAFF): Application Insufficient due to lack of: | | | | | |
| by Staff: | | Date: | | | |
| Applica | tion and all required supporting docum | | , | | |
| by Staff: | Maria 3 | Date: 06/23 | 12025 | | |
| DATE OF ZO | ONING BOARD OF APPEALS HEARING: | : August 25,2025 | | | |
| | | McCollough a check in the amount of \$ 175. | 00 | | |
| for applicat | ion filing fee, and \$ | for deposit on frame for public hearing sign(s). | | | |
| Date Paid _ | 06/23/25 | Receipt Number: 02 4415 | | | |

PROPERTY INFORMATION:

PROPERTY OWNER CONSENT AND AGENT AUTHORIZATION FORM

(Applications require authorization by ALL property owners of subject property)

| | Please Print Owners | 'Names | |
|--|--|--|--|
| Propert | y Tax Identification Number(s) of Subject Property: 0450 | 0 042 | |
| of the 4 | we are) the sole owner(s) of the above-referenced property. District, and (if applicable to more the | | |
| | and said property consists of a total of Twenty-two (22) | | |
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VARIANCE INFORMATION

Complete the chart below with the information pertaining to each request. If additional space is needed, please provide the information on a separate sheet of paper.

110-125(d)(6)

Ordinance/Section

| | 1.10 1.26(4)(6) | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Requirement | 50' Side Yard Setbacks | | | | |
| Proposed Change | To allow the barn to remain less than 50' from the property line | | | | |
| Variance Amount | 35.6 ' to allow lean-to within 14.4' of property line and barn within 25.2'. | | | | |
| Ordinance/Section | | | | | |
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| Requirement | | | | | |
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| | VARIANCE SUMMARY | | | | |
| Provide a detailed and specific summary of each request. If additional space is needed, please attach a separate sheet of paper. | | | | | |
| Barn was built approximat | sely 50 years ago, prior to existance of the ordinance requiring the 50' side yard sedtbacks. Forcing of the new survey and allow the barn to remain. | | | | |

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(Barn is in very good condition and has considerable value)

JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST

The Fayette County Zoning Ordinance, Section 110-242 (b) states that in order to grant a variance, the Zoning Board of Appeals shall and must find that all five (5) conditions below exist. Please read each standard below and then address each standard with a detailed response. Attach additional information/documentation as necessary.

| There are extraordinary and exceptional conditions pertaining to the particular piece of property in question because of its size, shape or topography. Please see attached |
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| The application of these regulations to this particular piece of property would create a practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship. Please see attached |
| Such conditions are peculiar to the particular piece of property involved. Please see attached |
| Relief, if granted, would not cause substantial detriment to the public good or impair the purposes and intent of these regulations; provided, however, no variance may be granted for a use of land, building, or structure that is prohibited herein. |
| Please see attached |
| A literal interpretation of this Ordinance would deprive the applicant of any rights that others in the same zoning district are allowed. Please see attached |
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2025 Variance Application

JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST

1. There are extraordinary and exceptional conditions pertaining to the particular piece of property in question because of its size, shape or topography.

While the size, shape, and topography of the subject property may be attractive for a developer interested in pursuing a higher-density subdivision, Allegiance is committed to maintaining the existing A-R zoning with a five-acre minimum lot size. This approach preserves the rural character of the area and aligns with the current zoning standards, rather than seeking to maximize density through rezoning.

It is important to note that if the property were to be rezoned for higher density—such as R-40, R-70, or PUD—there would be opportunities for development that would not require a variance, as these districts have smaller minimum lot sizes and less restrictive side yard setback requirements.

For example:

The property directly across the street is zoned R-40, which requires only a 15-foot side yard setback.

The property to the east is zoned R-70, with a 25-foot side yard setback.

The adjacent property to the north is zoned PUD, requiring just a 10-foot side yard setback.

By choosing to retain the A-R zoning and its larger lot requirements, Allegiance is voluntarily subjecting itself to more restrictive development standards than those of the surrounding properties. The requested variance is therefore not an attempt to circumvent the zoning ordinance or to gain an unfair advantage, but rather a reasonable request to address the unique conditions of the property while upholding the intent of the A-R district.

In summary:

Maintaining the A-R zoning demonstrates a commitment to low-density, rural development. The variance request simply seeks to accommodate the property's unique characteristics, not to enable higher density or set a precedent for more intensive development. Granting the variance would allow for reasonable use of the land consistent with the spirit of the existing zoning and the surrounding area, without opening the door to higher-density development that could occur through rezoning.

2. The application of these regulations to this particular piece of property would create a practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship.

The application of these regulations to this particular piece of property would create a practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship.

The current side yard setback requirements present an unnecessary hardship for the subject property. Specifically, strict enforcement of these setbacks may require the removal of an existing barn, resulting in a significant financial loss to the property owner. The barn is a valuable structure that contributes to the ongoing agricultural use and character of the property, and its removal would not only be costly but would also diminish the property's utility and value.

Furthermore, the rigidity of the current regulations may force the property owner to consider rezoning to a less restrictive district simply to achieve reasonable use of the land. Such a rezoning could potentially allow higher density development, which is inconsistent with the applicant's intent to preserve the larger lot sizes and rural character associated with the current A-R zoning.

In summary, the existing side yard setback regulations, as applied to this unique property, create a practical difficulty and unnecessary hardship by threatening the loss of a functional and valuable structure or by compelling a rezoning that could undermine the intent to preserve the larger lot sizes and rural charector. Granting the requested variance would alleviate these hardships while maintaining the spirit and intent of the zoning ordinance.

3. Such conditions are peculiar to the particular piece of property involved.

It is indeed peculiar and unusual that efforts to maintain the existing A-R zoning—intended to preserve the rural character and agricultural use of the property—could result in the removal of a functional and attractive barn. This outcome is contrary to the purpose of the A-R district and highlights the unique circumstances of this property. The hardship arises not from an attempt to intensify development, but from a genuine commitment to preserving the property's current use and character, making these conditions truly specific and peculiar to this parcel.

4. Relief, if granted, would not cause substantial detriment to the public good or impair the purposes and intent of these regulations; provided, however, no variance may be granted for a use of land, building, or structure that is prohibited herein.

The requested variance is limited in scope and does not introduce uses or activities that would negatively impact neighboring properties, public safety, or community welfare. The proposed change maintains the character of the area and respects existing development patterns, ensuring that the interests of adjacent property owners and the broader community are preserved.

The primary purposes of the zoning ordinance—such as promoting orderly development, safeguarding property values, and protecting public health and safety remain intact. The relief sought does not undermine these objectives because it addresses a unique hardship specific to the property, without setting a precedent for incompatible or excessive development.

5. A literal interpretation of this Ordinance would deprive the applicant of any rights that others in the same zoning district are allowed.

A literal interpretation of this Ordinance would deprive the applicant of rights that are routinely available to others within the same zoning district. Due to the unique circumstances of this property—such as its size, shape, and the location of existing structures—strict application of the current setback requirements would prevent the reasonable use of the property that other A-R zoned properties enjoy. This would create an undue hardship by restricting the applicant's ability to maintain and utilize existing improvements, like the barn, which are consistent with the district's intended agricultural and rural character. Granting the requested variance is necessary to ensure the applicant has equal rights and opportunities as other property owners in the same zoning district.

CHECKLIST OF ITEMS REQUIRED TO BE SUBMITTED FOR ZBA REQUESTS

(All applications/documentation must be complete at the time of submittal, or the application will not be accepted) Application form and all required attachments, completed, signed, and notarized (if applicable). Copy of latest recorded deed, including legal description of the boundaries of the subject property, including total acreage. ☐ One copy of the survey plat of the property, drawn to scale with accurate dimensions, with the following indicated: Location and size of existing structures (principal and accessory) and improvements on a. the parcel, including type (residential or non-residential), floor area, and accessory uses. Structures proposed to be removed must be indicated and labeled as such. Minimum setbacks and buffers from all property lines of subject property required in the zoning district. _ Location of exits/entrances to the subject property. ✓ Location of all existing and proposed easements and streets on or adjacent to the subject property, indicating width of existing and proposed easements, width of right-of-way, and centerline of streets. Location of all utilities, including well or water lines. Location of septic tank, drainfield, and drainfield replacement area. Location and elevation of the 100-year flood plain and watershed protection buffers and setbacks (if applicable). h. Location of on-site stormwater facilities to include detention or retention facilities (if applicable). Parking locations, number of parking spaces, and parking bay and aisle dimensions (if applicable).

j. _____ Location of landscaped areas, buffers, or tree save areas (if applicable).

☐ Application filing fee.

PLANNING AND ZONING STAFF INFORMATION BELOW

| Staff Reviewed By | Requirements | Proposed | |
|----------------------|-------------------------|----------|--|
| Name: | Lot Size: | | |
| Lot: | Width at Building Line: | | |
| Zoning: | Front Setback: | | |
| Flood: Yes/ No MFFE: | Side Setback: | | |
| Stream Buffers: | Rear Setback: | | |
| Number of Frontages | House Size: | | |

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF <u>FAYETTE</u> COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

| IN RE: ESTATE OF |) | |
|--|--|--|
| Margaret Wyatt Coppolino, DECEASED |) ESTATE NO. | <u>24-18713</u> |
| L | ETTERS TESTAMENTARY (Relieved of filing returns) | |
| was domiciled in another state but owned pro- legally proven in solemn form to be the dece further ordered that <u>Tony Coppolino</u> , named upon so doing, letters testamentary be issued | dent's will and was admitted to record by as executor(s) in said Will, be allowed to such executor(s). Ting taken the oath of office and complied ized to discharge all the duties and exerce according to the decedent's will and the leader of the decedent of the dece | this or her death or her death, was y order, and it was to qualify, and that d with all necessary rise all powers of aw. |
| The following must be signed if the judge does not sign the original of this document: Issued by: Clerk of the Probate Court | (Seal | Lynn M. Crittenden, Chief Clerk exercising the jurisdiction of the Fayette County Probate Cou pursuant to OCGA 15-9-36(c) and the order entered 3/25/20/ by Angela Landgaard, Judge |
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> Clerk of Probate Court Fayette County, GA



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STATE OF GEORGIA **COUNTY OF FAYETTE**

WARRANTY DEED

(Draw Deed Only)

THIS INDENTURE is made as of May 06, 2014, between ANTONIO S. COPPOLINO and MARGARET COPPOLINO (hereinafter referred to as "Grantor") and ANTONIO S. COPPOLINO and MARGARET COPPOLINO, as Trustees, or their successors in trust, under the COPPOLINO LIVING TRUST, dated May 06, 2014 and any amendments thereto (hereinafter referred to as "Grantee") ("Grantor" and "Grantee" to include their respective heirs, successors, executors, administrators, legal representatives and assigns where the context requires or permits).

WITNESSETH

GRANTOR, in consideration of the sum of Zero and No/100 Dollars (\$0.00) and love and affection, the receipt and sufficiency whereof are hereby acknowledged, has granted, bargained, sold, aliened, conveyed and confirmed, and does hereby grant, bargain, sell, alien, convey and confirm unto Grantee all that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Fayette County, Georgia (herein referred to as the "Land") as more particularly described in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the Land, with all and singular the rights, members and appurtenances thereof, to the same being, belonging, or in anywise appertaining, to the only proper use, benefit and behoof of Grantee forever in FEE SIMPLE.

AND GRANTOR WILL WARRANT and forever defend the right and title to the Land unto Grantee against the claims of all persons whomsoever.

Preparer has not performed a title examination or confirmed the legal description, and as such makes no representation with regard to the same,

EXECUTED under seal as of the date above.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of:

Commission Expiration Date: VERA R

(NOTARY SEAL)

GRANTOR:

ANTONIO S. COPPOLINO

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EXHIBIT A

TRACT 1:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 227 of the 4th Land District of Fayette County, Georgia, as per plat of survey dated 9-13-72, prepared by Lee Engineering Company for A. S. Coppolino and in accordance with said plat being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point on the North boundary of Busbin Road, 378 feet as measured Southeasterly along the North boundary of Busbin Road from a point at the intersection of the West line of Land Lot 227 and the North boundary of Busbin Road; running thence from the point of beginning North 0 degrees 30 minutes West 1485 feet to a point on the North line of Land Lot 227; running thence South 89 degrees 15 minutes East along the North line of Land Lot 227, 352 feet to a point; running thence South 0 degrees 30 minutes East 1493 feet to a point on the North boundary of Busbin Road; running thence Northwesterly along the North boundary of Busbin Road 352 feet to the point of beginning; the said tract of land containing 12 acres according to said survey of Lee Engineering Company.

and

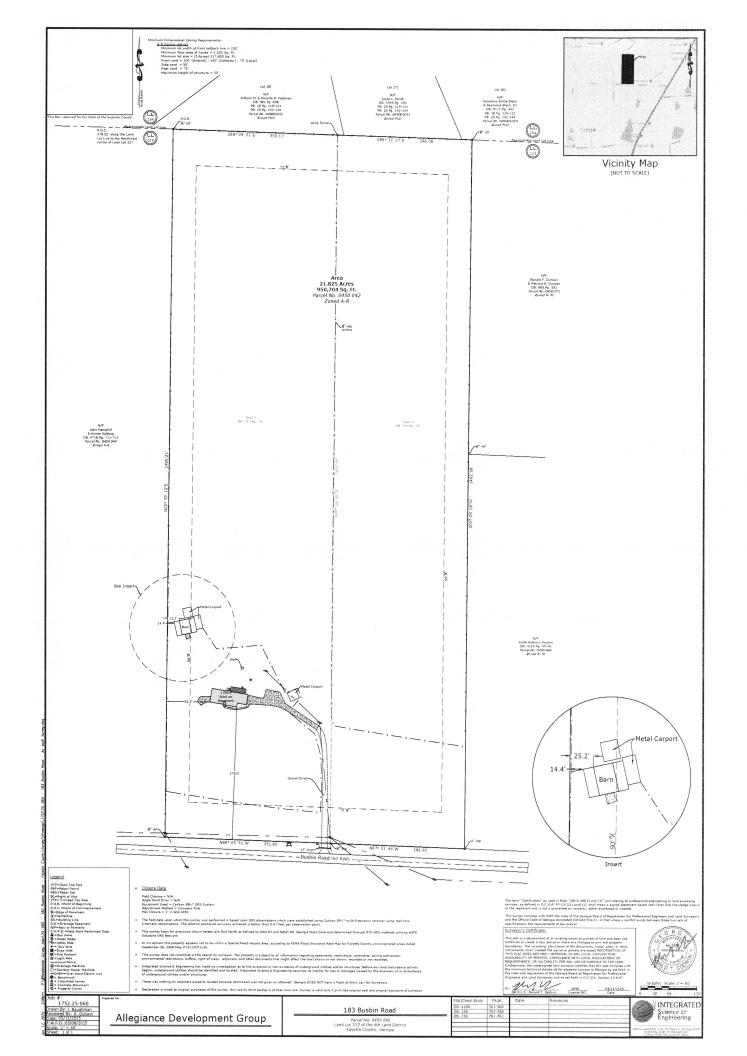
TRACT 2:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 227 of the 4th Land District of Fayette County, Georgia and being those lands shown on a plat dated 9-15-78, prepared by Lee Engineering Company and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point on the North right-of-way line of Busbin Road, 730 feet as measured South 87 degrees 39 minutes East along the North right-of-way of Busbin Road from a point located at the intersection of the North right-of-way line of Busbin Road with the West line of Land Lot 227; running thence North 0 degrees 30 minutes West 1515 feet to a point on the North line of Land Lot 227; running thence South 89 degrees 15 minutes East 287 feet to a point; running thence South 0 degrees 30 minutes East 1523 feet to a point on the North right-of-way line of Busbin Road; running thence North 87 degrees 39 minutes West along the North right-of-way line of Busbin Road 287.3 feet to the point of beginning; the said tract of land containing 10 acres, according to said survey of Lee Engineering Company.

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ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL(S)/ ON CERTAIN PROPERTIES IN UNINCORPORATED AREA OF FAYETTE COUNTY, GEORGIA PUBLIC HEARING to be held by the Zoning Board of Appeals of Fayette County on Monday, August 25, 2025, at 7:00 P.M., **Fayette County Administrative** Complex, Public Meeting Room, 140 Stonewall Avenue West, first Petition No.: A-901-25 Owner: Coppolino Living Trust Agent: C. Mark McCullough Property Address: 183 Busbin Parcel: 0450 042 Zoning District: A-R Area of Property: 21.825 acres Land Lot(s): 227 District: 4th Road Frontage: Busbin Road Request: Applicant is requesting the following: A-901-25-A. Variance Per Sec. 110-125(d)(6) - Request to reduce the side yard setback from 50 feet to 14.4 feet to allow an accessory structure to remain. A-901-25-B. Variance Per Sec. 110-125(d)(6) - Request to reduce the side yard setback from 50 feet to 32.1 feet to allow an accessory structure to remain. WARRANTY DEED **EXHIBIT A** TRACT 1: All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 227. of the 4th Land District of Fayette County, Georgia, as per plat of survey dated 9-13-72, prepared by Lee Engineering Company for A. S. Coppolino and in accordance with said plat being more particularly described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the North boundary of Busbin Road, 378 feet as measured Southeasterly along the North boundary of Busbin Road from a point at the intersection of the West line of Land Lot 227 and the North boundary of Busbin Road; running thence from the point of beginning North o degrees 30 minutes West 1485 feet to a point on the North line of Land Lot 227; running thence South 89 degrees 15 minutes East along the North line of Land Lot 227, 352 feet to a point; running thence South o degrees 30 minutes East 1493 feet to a point on the North boundary of Busbin Road; running thence Northwesterly along the North boundary of Busbin Road 352 feet to the point of beginning; the said tract of land containing 12 acres according to said survey of Lee Engineering Company.

PETITIONS FOR VARIANCE(S)/

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