

## **BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS**

Town Council Chambers, Moncks Corner Municipal Complex, 118 Carolina Avenue TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 01, 2022 at 6:00 PM

## **AGENDA**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

#### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

1. Approval of August 3, 2021 minutes

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

2. Consider a variance to allow greater impervious lot coverage at property north of 319 Merrimack Blvd., TMS 142-11-02-061

**OLD BUSINESS** 

**STAFF COMMENTS** 

**MOVE TO ADJOURN** 

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1. Approval of July 6, 2021 regular meeting minutes

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- 2. Consider new Chairman of the Board of Zoning Appeals. Thurman Pellum has been nominated.
- 3. Consider a variance to sign and landscaping requirements to the Palmetto Propane facility at 115 Commerce Creek Way, TMS 211-00-02-132.
- 4. Consider a variance to the buffer requirements for the Berkeley Electric Co-Op facility at 1732 Hwy 52, TMS 162-00-01-072.

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# **Staff Report**

#### **Variance Request**

**DATE:** February 1, 2022

**TO:** Moncks Corner Board of Zoning Appeals

**FROM:** Douglas Polen, Community Development Director

**SUBJECT:** Variance Request

**STAFF** 

RECOMMENDATION: APPROVAL

Report Summary			
Property Location	North of 316 Merrimack Boulevard		
Property TMS	142-11-02-061		
Acreage	7.11 ac.		
Zoning	R-3, Multi-Family Residential		
Applicant/Owner	D.R. Horton		
Use	Townhouses		
Request Variance to impervious lot coverage			
Current Requirements	Impervious lot coverage is limited to 50% in the R-3 District		

#### **Background**

The applicant is seeking to increase the amount of impervious coverage allowed on residential lots in this development. The Zoning ordinance allows for 50% coverage of lots with impervious materials (i.e. the structure itself, patios, driveways, etc.). This leaves the other 50% of each yard to allow rainwater to soak into the ground.

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With a 22' wide building, 50' deep including the house and rear patio, plus a 25' x 10' driveway, 1,350 s.f. of each lot is covered with impervious material. As such, the applicant would like to increase the allowable impervious coverage to 70%.

Stormwater systems will be designed to convey and retain additional runoff due to excess lot coverage via the on-site stormwater detention ponds as well as covenants for the development that shall prohibit the construction of sheds, outdoor structures, and extended patios.

#### <u>Analysis</u>

1. Are there are extraordinary and exceptional conditions pertaining to the particular piece of property?

No.

2. Do these conditions generally apply to other property in the vicinity?

N/A

- 3. Because of these conditions, does the application of the ordinance to the particular piece of property effectively prohibit or unreasonably restrict the utilization of the property?
  - No. The developer could build smaller houses.
- 4. Will the authorization of the variance be of substantial detriment to adjacent property or to the public good, and will the character of the district be harmed by the granting of the variance?

No. With proper engineering, as well as the abundant open space outside of the individual lots, stormwater will be contained on the overall site in the manner desired by DHEC.

5. The board may not grant a variance the effect of which would be to allow the establishment of a use not otherwise permitted in a zoning district, to extend physically a nonconforming use of land, or to change the zoning district boundaries shown on the official zoning map. The fact that property may be utilized more profitably, should a variance be granted, may not be grounds for a variance. Does the request accompany any of the aforementioned considerations?

No

#### **Staff Recommendation**

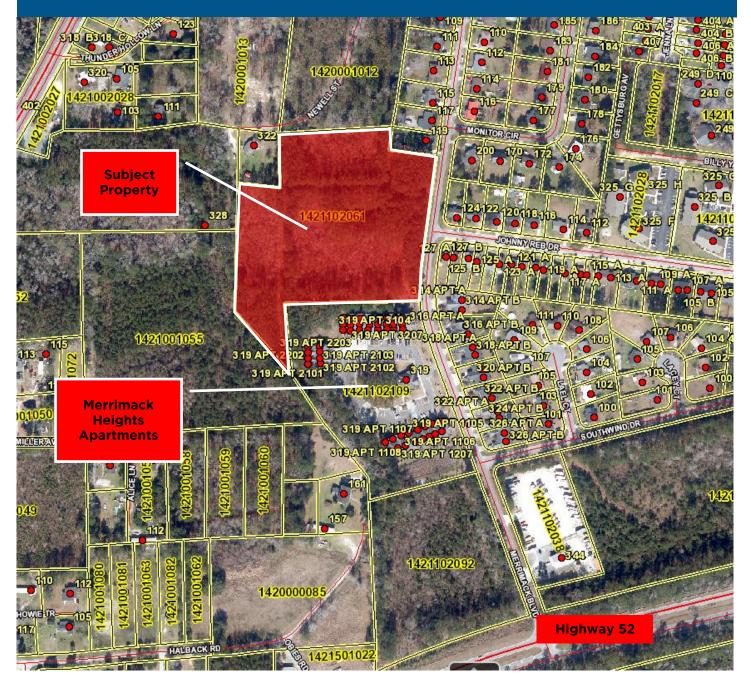
The Zoning Ordinance aims to be comprehensive, but cannot cover every contingency. In this case, the developer is meeting all requirements of the code in terms of minimum lot size, lot width, setbacks, and driveway size. By meeting the minimum lot size, setbacks and width, however, there is no room on each individual lot for pervious surface. However, Staff feel confident that with proper engineering stormwater will not be an issue. In fact, many neighborhoods in other jurisdictions go up to 80% coverage.

Staff recommends **APPROVAL** of this variance.

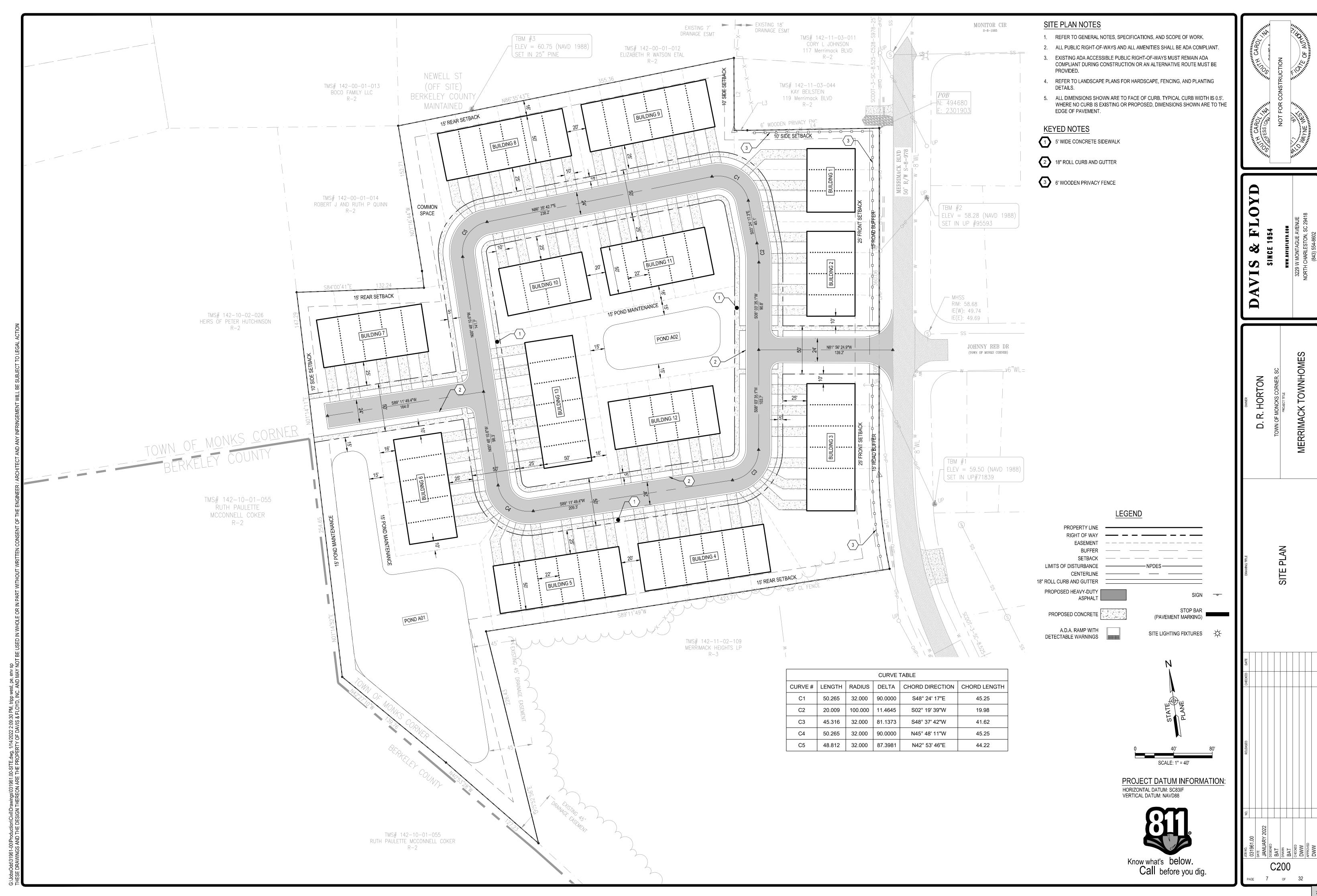
The Board may also wish to consider any specified conditions it wishes to place upon the property should it determine to grant a variance.

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# **VARIANCE APPLICATION**

Moncks Corner Community Development



<b>Applica</b>	int Information				
Name:	D.R. Horton, c/o Steven Wilson, PE	Addres	S: 2057 Wambaw Creek Rd., Charleston, SC 29492		
Phone:	(843) 566-3572	_ E-Mail:	srwilson@drhorton.com		
Propert	y Owner Information (If Different)	)			
Name:	Tiger Tail Ventures, LLC c/o Chris Wilson	_ Addres	S: 1113 Sugar Hill Dr., Moncks Corner, SC 29461		
Phone:		_ E-Mail:	cdwtiger@live.com		
Property Location (Attach Plat if Available): Intersection of Merrimack Boulevard and Johnny Reb Drive TMS# 142-11-02-061  Describe the variance request, reason for request, and any supporting information:  D.R. Horton is seeking a variance from the Town of Moncks Corner Zoning Ordinance Section 6-16 requiring a maximum 50% lot coverage for District R-3 Townhomes. Typical lots will be a minimum 22' wide and minimum of 91' deep in order to meet the 2,000 sq. ft. lot size requirement and all lots will conform to the required setbacks. The proposed 22' x 50' townhome and a 10' x 25' driveway would yield a lot coverage ratio of approximately 67% for typical townhome lots. Stormwater systems will be designed to convey and retain additional runoff due to the excess lot coverage via the on-site stormwater detention ponds and covenants for the development shall prohibit the construction of additional sheds, outdoor structures, or extensions of patios.  Has any variance been applied for on this property previously?  YES  NO  If Yes, Please Describe:					
I (we) certify that I (we) are the free holder(s) of the property(s) involved in this application and further that I (we) designate the person signing as applicant to represent me (us) in this variance.  Owner's Signature:  Date: 14/22  Applicant's Signature:  Date: 4/22					
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