

DeKalb County Zoning Board of Appeals

Department of Planning & Sustainability 178 Sams Street Decatur, GA 30030



Cedric Hudson Interim Director

Wednesday, June 12th, 2024

Planning Department Staff Analysis

D5. Case No: A-24-1246909

Parcel ID(s): 18 046 01 148

Commission District 04 Super District 06

Applicant:	Monica Woods 67 A Boulevard NE Atlanta, GA 30312	Owner:	Dallas Street Lofts, LLC 2255 Cumberland Parkway, Bldg. 700 Atlanta, GA 30339	
Project Name:	584 Glendale Road	Location:	584 Glendale Road, Scottdale, GA 30079	
Request:	Variance from Sections 27-3.36.10 and	27-2.2.1 of the Del	Kalb County Zoning Ordinance to reduce rear ya	

juest: Variance from Sections 27-3.36.10 and 27-2.2.1 of the DeKalb County Zoning Ordinance to reduce rear yard setback, eliminate landscape strip, reduce side yard setbacks, and increase lot coverage to construct single-family residence within the R-75 (Residential Medium Lot-75) and Scottdale Tier II Overlay zoning district.

Requests Itemized:

- 1) To reduce the rear (west) yard setback from the required 30 feet to 6 feet.
- 2) To eliminate the 5' landscape strip adjacent to the proposed required 5' sidewalk.
- 3) To reduce the side yard (south) setback from the required 7.5 feet to 2.4 feet.
- 4) To reduce front (east) setback from the required 15 feet to 6.9 feet.
- 5) Increase the impervious surface coverage from the maximum 35% to 40%.

Staff Determination: Withdrawal

Michael L. Thurmond Chief Executive Officer

STAFF ANALYSIS

Staff has determined that Chapter 27-8.1.4. (A) applies to the proposed development.

Sec. 8.1.4. - Legal nonconforming single-family lots; lot merger requirements.

A. In any zoning district in which single-family dwelling units are allowed, a single-family dwelling unit and allowed accessory structures may be erected on any single nonconforming lot of record so long as such single nonconforming lot of record is not in common ownership with any other contiguous lot or lots. A property owner shall not be permitted to erect a structure on a nonconforming lot of record if he could have used his contiguous land to avoid the nonconformity.

The applicant is representing Dallas Street Lofts, LLC, who owns both subject parcels, 584 and 580 Glendale Road. Therefore, it may be possible to combine both lots and receive relief from hardships posed by estranged lot shapes. The possibility should be explored by the applicant prior to seeking further variance requests. Therefore, staff recommends withdrawal of the application.



DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY Chief Executive Officer

Michael Thurmond

Interim Director

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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING (VARIANCES, SPECIAL **EXCEPTIONS, APPEALS OF ADMINISTRATIVE DECISIONS)**

Applicant and/or Authorized Representative:		
Mailing Address:		
City/State/Zip Code:		
Email:		
Telephone Home:	Business:	
OWNER	R OF RECORD OF SUBJECT PROPE	RTY
Owner:		
Address (Mailing):		
Email:	Telephone Home:	Business:
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Address:	City:	State: Zip:
District(s): Land L	.ot(s): Block:	Parcel:
Zoning Classification:	Commission District & Su	per District:
CHECK TYPE OF HEARING REQUEST	ED:	
VARIANCE (From Development	Standards causing undue hardship upo	on owners of property.)
SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS (To red	uce or waive off-street parking or loading	ng space requirements.)
OFFICIAL APPEAL OF ADMINIS	TRATIVE DECISIONS.	

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Email plansustain@dekalbcountyga.gov with any questions.

DeKalb County

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS APPLICATION

AUTHORIZATION OF THE PROPERTY OWNER

Lhereby authorize the staff and members of the Zoning Roard of Anneals to inspect the premises of the Subject Property.

DocuSigned by:

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Robert Ullmann

I hereby certify that the information provided in the application is true and correct.

I hereby certify that I am the owner of the property subject to the application.

DATE: ______

Applicant Signature:

DATE: _____

Applicant _ Signature:



DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS APPLICATION

AUTHORIZATION TO REPRESENT THE PROPERTY OWNER

I hereby authorize the staff and members of the Zoning Board of Appeals to inspect the premises of the Subject Property.

I hereby certify that I am the owner of the property and that I authorize the applicant/agent to apply for a hearing to the ZoningBoard of Appeals for the requests as shown in this application

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DATE:	Applicant/Agent	Monica	Woods /	Monical Work
	Signature:		VI	

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

(I)/ (WE): _____ Dallas Street Lofts, LLC (Name of Owners)

being (owner/owners) of the property described below or attached hereby delegate authority to the above signed agent/applicant.

Demetra A Tucker NOTARY PUBLIC Fulton County State of Georgia pires December 20, 2024

Notary Public

Owner Signature

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Owner Signature

Robert Ullmann

Notary Public

Owner Signature

LETTER OF INTENT

584 Glendale Road Scottdale, GA 30079

Greetings:

Members of the Zoning Board of Appeals,

This letter is to request variances from section 27-2.2.1 and 27-3.36.10 of the Dekalb County Zoning Ordinance.

VARIANCE REQUESTS:

1) TO REDUCE THE REAR (WEST) YARD SETBACK FORM THE REQUIRED 30 FEET TO 6 FEET 2) TO ELIMINATE THE 5' LANDSCAPE STRIP ADJACENT TO THE PROPOSED REQUIRED 5' SIDEWALK, 3)TO REDUCE THE LEFT (SOUTH) SIDE YARD SETBACK FROM THE REQUIRED7.5 FEET TO 2.4 FEET, 4)TO REDUCE THE 1/2 DEPTH OR CORNER (RIGHT SIDE) SETBACK FROM THE REQUIRED 15 FEET TO 6.9 FEET AND,

5)INCREASE THE IMPERVIOUS SURFACE COVERAGE FROM THE MAXIMUM 35% TO 40% ALL TO ERECT A NEW 2 STORY SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING

1) PHYSICAL CONDITION OF SITE;

The unique physical conditions of this property constitute a special case necessitating this variance. The lot is narrow, an irregular shape, and is a corner lot. All of those conditions make compliance with the front, rear and side yard setbacks, adding a 5-foot landscaping strip, and staying in compliance with impervious lot coverage challenging. The lot is a parallelogram-shaped (a feature that was created by how the right -of- way angles) which is not like a majority of the lots in the district, as they tend to be more rectangular shaped. Additionally, the lot only has a frontage of 65.44 feet and a lot area of 5,360 feet. Because this is a corner lot, which is a charactristic not shared by all lots in the district and neighborhood, the 1/2 depth corner setback is 15 feet instead of 7.5 feet. All of these characteristics are less than the minimum required lot frontage and lot area for lots within the R-75 (underlying zoning of the property) zoning designation. These conditions are inherent and not caused by the current or previous owners of the property.

2)MINIMUM VARIANCE NECESSARY:

The variance requests are the minimal necessary to make the property usable and does not provide any special advantages that are not available to other property owners in the R-75/Scottdale Tier II Overlay district. The various setback reductions and lot coverage increase allows for a new proposed structure that will attempt to be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood and the district. Again the weird shape of the lot, which creates a none traditional shaped building enveloped necessitates this variance request. The elimination of the 5' landscape strip is for safety reasons. As a result of this being a corner lot and the angle of the right of way, and that 2 other streets feed into Glendale (creating a fork like shape of the road) at this particular intersection, adding landscape strip adjacent to the right of way along with trees, could created a visibility restriction which could potentially began to cause increased traffic accidents,

3)PUBLC WELFARE:

The proposed construction of a new single family dwelling will provide a positive impact on the neighborhood and community. The design and positioning of the proposed home will be consistent with the aesthetics of the neighborhood. The request for the elimination of the 5' landscape strip will enhace the safty conditions along that portion of the street. It is the thought that if you add the landscape strip along with trees, that it will eventually impede the view of persons traveling along Glendale and the other 2 streets that collect to the right of way near the property and the intersection. New housing is welcoming to the neighbors and a desire for new potential home owners, as this is a sought after neighborhood to reside in.

4)ORDINANCE HARDSHIP:

Adherence to the strict interpretation of the zoning laws would cause undue hardship relative to the impractibility and inability to use the property effectively. Without the variance request, adequate development of this lot will not be conducive to already established patterns in this neighborhood and the district. The adverse lot conditions (size, shape, and a corner lot) that are inherent, and not created by previous or the current owner are in conflict with some of the rules and regulations of the ordinance for R-75 /Scottdale Tier II Overlay district because a great bit of the standards are based on lots that are a standard shape and size and that are interior lots. We would like to be afforded the same type of relief granted to other lot/stakeholders in the district, neighborhood and similar zoning designations for the orderly and safe development of their land.

5)Alignment with the Spirit of the Law

The land use of the property TN which stands for traditional neighborhood. The proposed new single family home development with the variance requests are in keeping with the intent of the overall purpose of the zoning laws and the Dekalb County Comprehensive Plan. The variance requests are so that the development can get as close to as possible to the development standards that are already established in light of the unique features of the property to enhance the charm and beauty of the existing amazing neighborhood and community.

Thanks for your time and consideration of the variance requests. We are committed to aligning with Dekalb County to create sustainable development that align with the goals purpose of the County and Neighborhood Community.

Image: Discrete stated hereon. Recurrence of the Georgia Board	SCOTTALE OVERLAY TIER 2 MAX HOHT 3.5' FRONT: 30' SIDE: 7.5' REAR: 30'	FLOOD STATEMENT I HAVE EXAMINED THE OFFICIAL FLOOD HAZARD MAP AND FOUND THAT BY GRAPHIC PLOTTING ONLY, NO PORTION OF THIS PROPERTY LIES IN IN A FLOOD HAZARD AREA ACCORDING TO FEMA FIRM MAP 13089COO67 J, DATED 5/16/2013 STATE WATERS NOTE: NO STATE WATERS PRESENT WITHIN 200 FEET OF PROJECT SITE.
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