

# GROWTH AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIVISION CURRENT PLANNING ACTIVITY

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**PUBLIC HEARING:** February 11, 2014 - Planning and Land Development

Regulation Commission (PLDRC)

**CASE NO:** V-14-018

**SUBJECT:** Variance to the minimum waterfront yard requirement for an

addition to a single-family dwelling on Urban Single Family

Residential (R-3) zoned property.

**LOCATION:** 3670 John Anderson Drive, Ormond by the Sea

**APPLICANT:** George H. & Sheila E. Brown

**OWNERS:** George H. & Sheila E. Brown

STAFF: William Gardner, Activity Project Manager

### I. SUMMARY OF REQUEST

The applicant is requesting variances to the minimum waterfront yard for an enclosed glassed sunroom, screened patio and walkway. During the staff review of the survey, it was determined that an existing  $\pm$  61 square-foot accessory structure did not meet the minimum side yard for R-3 zoned property and was not approved through a building permit.

A site visit also revealed that a boat trailer and cargo utility trailer are stored within a portion of the subject property's side and waterfront yards but also located on the adjacent property to the south. The proposed enclosures require the variances and the existing shed and trailers will require relocating to meet the minimum side and waterfront yards or removal as conditions.

The requested variances are as follows:

A variance for a waterfront yard from the required 25 feet to 10 feet for an enclosed sunroom, and screened patio addition to a single-family dwelling on Urban Single-Family Residential (R-3) zoned property.

Staff recommendation: Approval with staff recommended conditions

### **II. SITE INFORMATION**

1. Location: The property is located on the west side of John Anderson

Drive, approximately 80 feet south of its intersection with

Heron Dunes Drive, Ormond by the Sea.

2. Parcel No(s): 3217-00-01-0020

3. Property Size:  $\pm 15,250$  square feet / 0.35 acres

4. Council District: 4

5. Zoning: Urban Single-Family Residential (R-3)

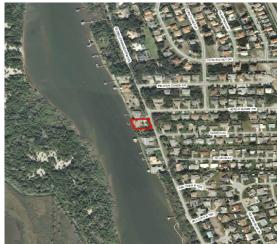
6. Future Land Use: Urban Low Intensity (ULI)

7. ECO Overlay: No 8. NRMA Overlay: No

9. Adjacent Zoning and Land Use:

DIRECTION	ZONING	FUTURE LAND USE	CURRENT USE			
North:	Urban Single-Family Residential (R-3)	Urban Low Intensity (ULI)	Single-family dwelling			
East:	Urban Single-Family Residential (R-3)	Urban Low Intensity (ULI)	Vacant Lot and Single-family dwelling			
South:	Urban Single-Family Residential (R-3)	Urban Low Intensity (ULI)	Vacant Lot			
West:	Resource Corridor (RC)	NA	Halifax River			

### 10. Location Maps:



2009 AERIAL MAP



LOCATION AND ZONING MAP

### II. BACKGROUND AND PREVIOUS ACTIONS

The property is part of the Burre Unrecorded Subdivision Referenced #1099 approved in 1983. A revetment and single-family dwelling were constructed in 1984, while a screened patio and in-ground spa were added as miscellaneous improvements on the property record card in 1987. Staff found no building permits for the latter improvements. A recent site visit on December 31, 2013, revealed that the screened patio had been removed without a demolition permit and the spa was still in place. In addition, the applicants have a + 61-square foot shed that extends onto an adjoining lot, which they have stated will be relocated onto their lot with a permit.

The R-3 zoning requires a minimum lot size area of 10,000 square feet, and a minimum 30 feet for the front yard and 25 feet for the waterfront yard. The property has approximately 15,250 square feet and the dwelling has a front yard setback of 59 feet and a rear yard setback of 18 feet as the closest corner location for the rear of the dwelling which did not meet the minimum waterfront yard of 20 feet at the time (1984) when the dwelling was constructed.

The applicant seeks a waterfront yard variance approval to build a glassed sunroom (610 square feet), screened patio and walkway (240 square feet) additions to the existing single-family dwelling on property located on John Anderson Drive and the Halifax River. Though enclosed with different materials, the glassroom and screened patio will share a common roof structure.

Per site plan, the proposed additions are located ten feet from the existing rip rap rock revetment. The existing brick patio on the southwest corner of the house will be screened, and connected to the sunroom with a five-foot wide screened walkway.

Waterfront yards (i.e. setbacks) for properties with a revetment are measured from the top of bank of the revetment, consistent with Section 72-294 *Waterfront Yards* of the zoning code.

### IV. REVIEW CRITERIA AND ANALYSIS

Section 72-379(1) a. 4 *Variances* of the zoning code contains five applicable criteria by which a variance application may be granted. The following staff evaluation is based on these criteria:

i. Special conditions and circumstances exist which are peculiar to the land, structure, sign, or building involved and which are not applicable to other lands, structures, signs, or buildings in the same zoning classification.

The R-3 zoned property has a minimum 25-foot waterfront yard and the lot is measured from the top of bank of the rip rap rock revetment, which has existed on the property since 1984. Based on review of the property survey, the upper limit of the top of bank/rip rap rock revetment is ±10 feet from the proposed glassed sunroom and screened patio/walkway.

There are special circumstances that are peculiar to the land and structure in that the dwelling construction in 1984 placed the structure beyond the minimum 30-foot front yard (approximately at 59 feet) and left nominal land area for the dwelling expansion towards the rip rap rock revetment. Adhering to the minimum 25-foot waterfront yard would only allow a 288-square-foot glassed sunroom and no screened patio or walkway. In order to construct the proposed screened and glassed enclosures, expansion towards the seawall into the 25-foot waterfront yard is the only alternative, as the side yards do not provide sufficient land area.

Staff finds that the requested variance meets this criterion.

 The special conditions and circumstances do not result from the actions of the applicant.

The applicant purchased the property in March 2013 with the special circumstances of the limited amount of waterfront yard area available due to the close proximity of the revetment when the dwelling was constructed in 1984. The circumstances are not the result of the applicant.

Staff finds that the requested variance meets this criterion.

iii. Literal interpretation of the provisions of this ordinance would deprive the applicant of rights commonly enjoyed by other properties in the same zoning classification, under the terms of the ordinance, and would work an unnecessary and undue hardship on the applicant.

The property's limited waterfront yard area is comparable to other waterfront properties located between John Anderson Drive and the Halifax River.

Literal interpretation of the provisions of the zoning code would permit a limited amount of land area (288 square feet) to construct the glassed sunroom with an irregular shaped floor area for indoor living. The screened patio and walkway would be located within the minimum 25-foot waterfront yard with no options to locate elsewhere on the property. The proposed locations of the additions provide reasonable adaptation of the existing outdoor brick patio areas.

Staff finds that the requested variance meets this criterion.

iv. The variance granted is the minimum variance that will make possible the reasonable use of the land, building, structure, or sign.

The enclosed sunroom will be limited to the existing footprint of the brick patio although replaced by new flooring. The existing small brick patio will be screened enclosed as well as the five-foot wide walkway that connects to the sunroom. The proposed placement of the new structures in relation to the waterfront yard will make possible a reasonable use of the land in relation to the dwelling. The vertical construction of the enclosures will not

obscure the view from the north adjoining property as it is landscaped with tall shrubs and the dwelling is located further west than the subject residence. The property to the south is vacant. To ensure that the variances are the minimum requested, the proposed enclosed glassed sunroom and screened patio and walkway as shown on the variance site plan shall not be expanded in the future without approval of a new variance application.

Staff finds that the requested variance meets this criterion.

v. The grant of the variance will be in harmony with the general intent and purpose of this ordinance and the Volusia County Comprehensive Plan Ordinance No. 90-10, as amended, and that such variance will not be injurious to the area involved.

Granting the requested variance of 10 feet for the enclosed sunroom, patio and walkway would be in harmony with the zoning code and would have negligible affect on essential governmental services. The requested variances are doubtful to create fire hazards, or significantly block light, air, views and unlikely to be injurious to the immediate area. The developed portion of the Burre Unrecorded Subdivision #1099, are single-family dwellings with the typical enclosed swimming pools, patios, boat docks and lots of the equivalent size.

Staff finds that the requested variance meets this criterion.

### V. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff finds that the application can meet all five criteria to grant the requested variances with the staff recommended conditions. Therefore, staff recommends approval of requested variance to a waterfront yard from the required 25 feet to 10 feet for an enclosed sunroom and screened patio addition to a single-family dwelling on Urban Single-Family Residential (R-3) zoned property, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The 10-foot variance shall apply to the enclosed sunroom, and screened patio area as shown on the variance site plan, which is a modified copy of the boundary survey prepared by Sliger & Associates, Inc., Job No. 13-0988, dated October 9, 2013, and certified to Suncoast Roofing & Construction and George H. & Sheila E. Brown. Any future expansion of the structures beyond the proposed footprints not in compliance with the applicable zoning code requirements shall require approval of a separate variance application.
- 2. The existing <u>+</u> 61 square-foot accessory structure will be removed or relocated to comply with the zoning ordinance with an approved building permit.
- 3. The existing boat trailer and cargo utility trailer shall be relocated from the adjoining property to the south, and located outside of the side and waterfront yards.

### VI. ATTACHMENTS

- Written Petition
- Variance Site Plan
- Survey
- Applicant Photos
- Site Visit Photos
- Reviewer Comments
- Maps

### **VII. AUTHORITY AND PROCEDURE**

The commission may, except as otherwise provided in Section 72-379 of the zoning code, authorize, after due public notice upon application on a form prescribed by the zoning enforcement official, such variance or variances from the terms of this ordinance as will not be contrary to the public interest when, owing to special conditions, a literal enforcement of the provision of this ordinance would result in unnecessary and undue hardship. Said variance application shall be heard only if it is presented by the person owning 51 percent or more of the specific area of land involved or upon an administrative application by the county council. Any new information to be presented at the planning and land development regulation commission meeting for any application will be grounds to continue an application to the next planning and land development regulation commission meeting. Applicants shall inform and provide staff with the new information prior to the planning and land development regulation commission meeting.

### VOLUSIA COUNTY WRITTEN PETITION FOR A VARIANCE

Section 72-379(1)(a)(4) of the Zoning Ordinance of Volusia County, as amended, requires that each applicant for a Variance submit a written petition as part of the application. The written petition must clearly describe how the Variance request satisfies all of the specific conditions necessary for the granting of the Variance, as listed in the Ordinance.

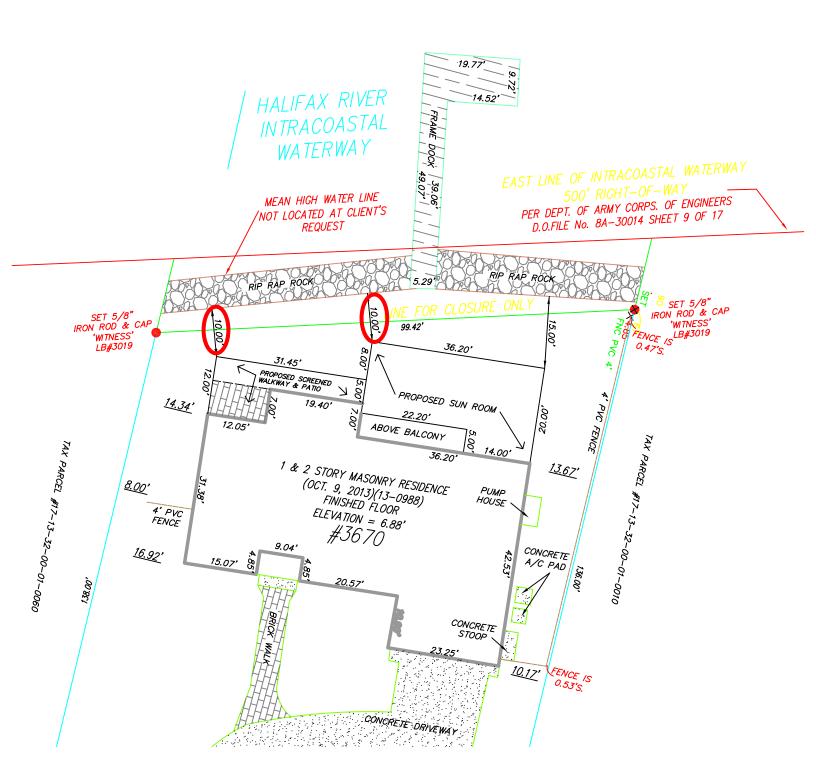
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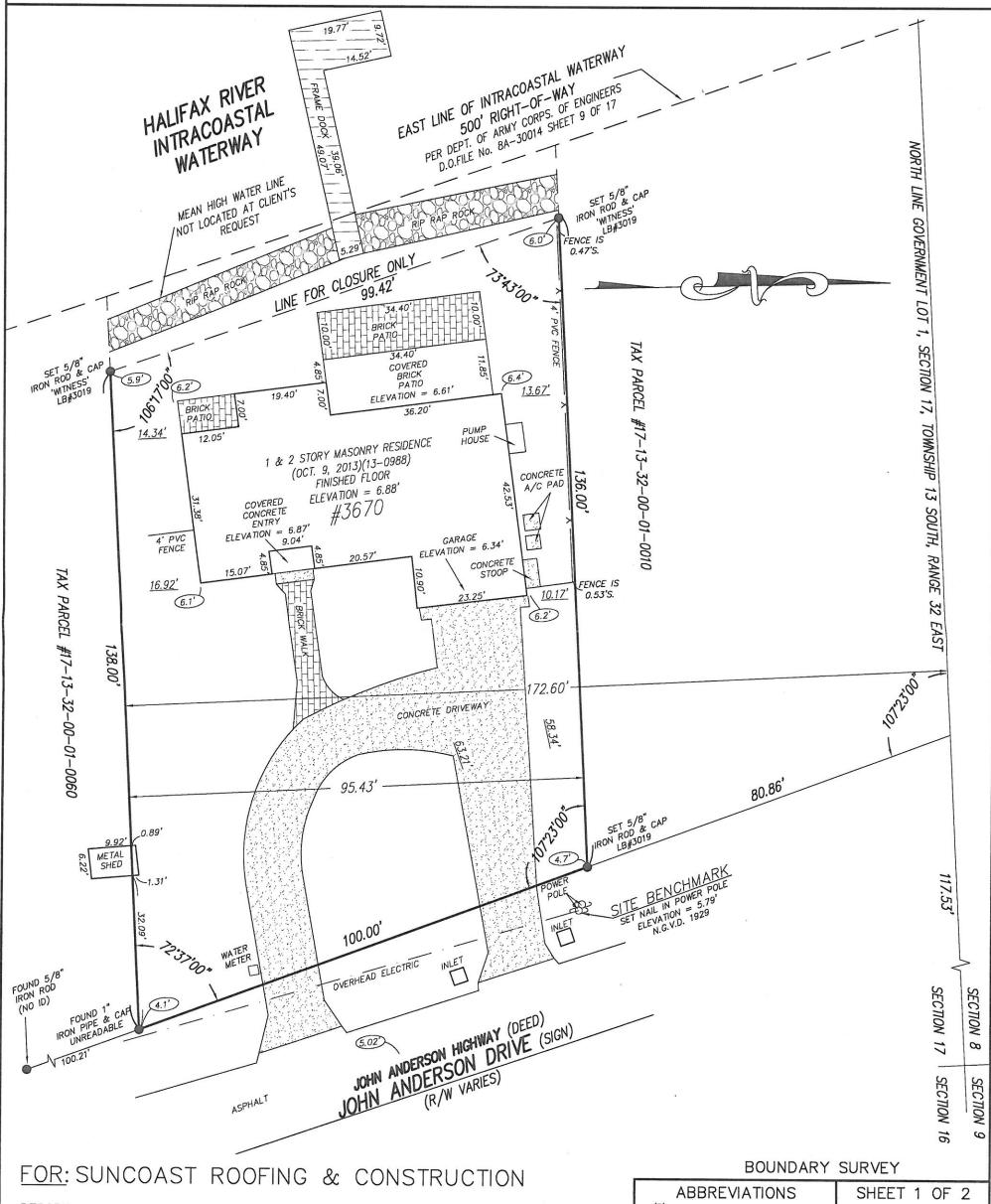




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A/C	AIR CONDITIONER
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PROPOSED HOUSE LOCATION						STEVEN T. KRUGER, P.L.S. NO. 4722
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						MICHAEL S. MURPHY, P.S.M. NO. 6208









## Site Visit Photos









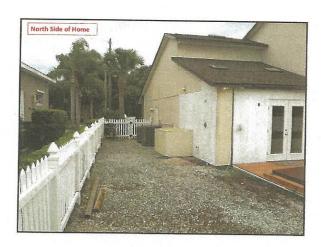










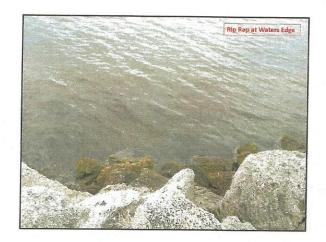


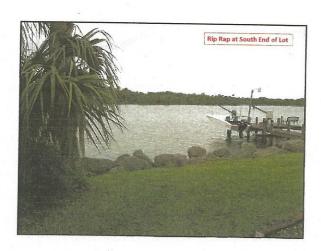




















## Inter-Office Memorandum



TO: Bill Gardner, Activity Manager DATE: January 30, 2014

**FROM:** Danielle Dangleman, Environmental Specialist III

**SUBJECT:** Planning & Land Development Regulation Commission meeting for

Date: February 11, 2013 Parcel #: 3217-00-01-0020

Case #: V-14-018, George and Shelia Brown, owners

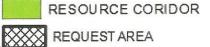
Environmental Permitting (EP) has reviewed the application and conducted a site visit of the Brown property. The property lies along the Halifax River, which has an associated fifty (50) foot upland buffer because the Halifax River falls within the Natural Resource Management Area. According to the Property Appraiser's record card the home, seawall, porches, and boat dock were all built between 1984 and 1989. The County of Volusia's wetland ordinance was adopted in December of 1989; therefore most of the construction of the home and accessory structures were done prior to requiring a wetland alteration permit.

The work proposed with this variance will be in the wetland buffer and require a wetland alteration permit and mitigation. The mitigation will be determined by EP staff at the time of building permit application. EP has no objection to this variance.



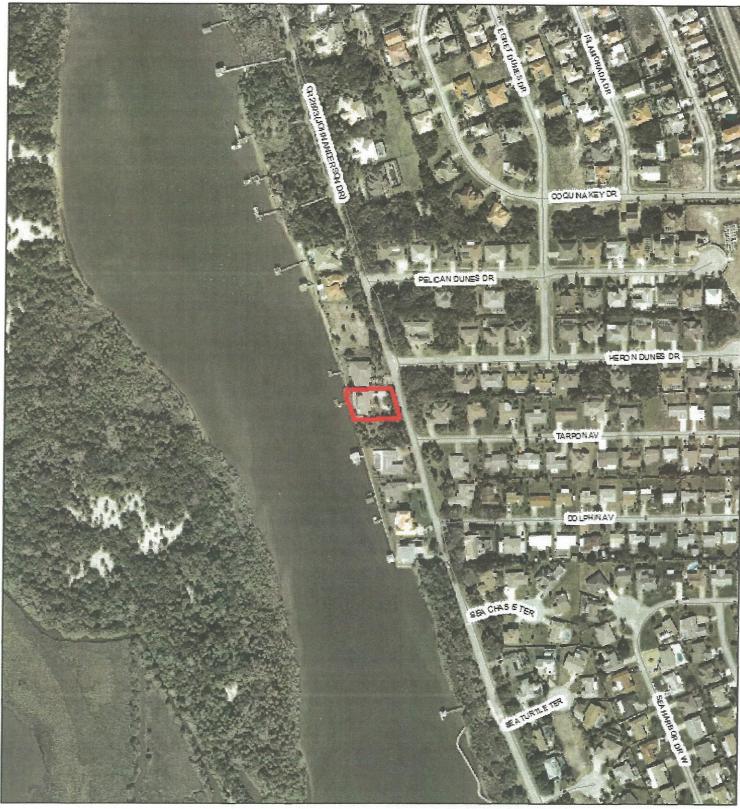
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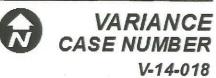
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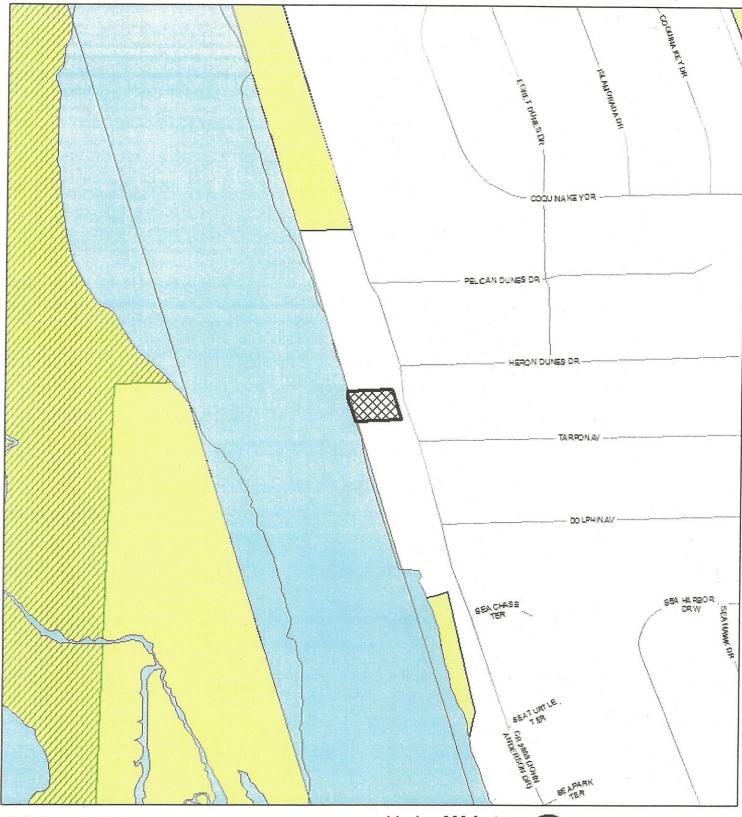


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IMAGE YEAR: 2012
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