

City of Tarpon Springs, Florida

PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT 324 E. PINE STREET P.O. BOX 5004 TARPON SPRINGS, FL 34688-5004 (727) 942-5611 Fax (727) 943-4651 www.ctsfl.us

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT AGENDA APRIL 28, 2021 REGULAR MEETING CITY HALL AUDITORIUM 324 PINE STREET AND VIA ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCING 7:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

- 2. QUASI-JUDICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT AND SWEARING IN OF SPEAKERS
- 3. APPLICATION # 21-36 VARIANCE TO ALLOW A NONCONFORMING LOT OF RECORD TO BE BUILT UPON

LOCATION: 0 Whitcomb Blvd (Lot 3, Between Carolina and Bayou Avenues)

Application requesting a variance to allow a nonconforming lot of record to be built upon in order to allow for construction of a single-family residence.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

a. February 24, 2021 regular meeting

5. STAFF COMMENTS

6. BOARD COMMENTS

7. ADJOURNMENT

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board of Adjustment with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings and that, for such purpose, they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. You are invited to attend the meeting to express your views or to present facts in regard to the case. Written comments may be addressed to the Planning & Zoning Department, P.O. Box 5004, Tarpon Springs, Florida, 34688-5004, and will become part of the records. All documents submitted with the applications are on file and available for inspection in the Planning & Zoning Department, City Hall. Further information may be obtained from the Planning & Zoning Department, (727) 942-5611 or by email to pmcneese@ctsfl.us. Said hearing may be continued from time to time pending adjournment. Any person with a disability requiring reasonable accommodation in order to participate in this meeting should call (727) 942-5611 or email a written request to <u>pmcneese@ctsfl.us</u>.



CITY OF TARPON SPRINGS BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS [APRIL 28, 2021]

STAFF REPORT

Application No. / Project Title:	#21-36 (Gianeskis)
Staff:	Allie Keen, Senior Planner
Applicant / Owner:	J. Mark Gianeskis / Anastasis Anastasiades
Property Size:	7,830 square feet
Current Zoning:	R-70 (One & Two Family Residential District)
Current Land Use:	RU (Residential Urban)
Location / Parcel ID:	Vacant Lot East of 803 Whitcomb Blvd. / 13-27-15-64188-003-0030

BACKGROUND SUMMARY:

The applicant is requesting variance approval from Land Development Code (LDC) Section 24.02(B) for the purpose of constructing a single-family dwelling on a nonconforming lot of record. The subject property and the adjacent property to the east (803 Whitcomb Blvd.) are currently under common ownership, but were never combined to meet the minimum lot standards established in the current LDC.

PRELIMINARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Based upon the evidence available at the time this report was prepared, staff would recommend approval of this request, as it is staff's opinion that all standards have been met.

LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE CONSIDERATIONS:

District Intent: The R-70 one and two family residential district is established to provide for a mixture of one and two family dwellings at a medium density where the mixture is determined to be compatible with development trends in the area.

Development Standards: Section 24.02(B) of the LDC states that if at any time the owner of a nonconforming lot owns adjoining unimproved land, then the lots or land shall be combined to meet the minimum requirements in the current LDC.

CURRENT PROPERTY INFORMATION:

Use of Property:	Vacant
Site Features:	There are no significant features on this property.
Vehicle Access:	This property gains access from Whitcomb Blvd.



SURROUNDING ZONING & LAND USE:

	Zoning:	Land Use:
North:	N/A (Whitcomb Bayou)	N/A (Whitcomb Bayou)
South:	R-70 (One & Two Family Residential District)	RU (Residential Urban)
East:	R-70 (One & Two Family Residential District)	RU (Residential Urban)
West:	R-70 (One & Two Family Residential District)	RU (Residential Urban)

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

When considering this application, the following general site conditions, planning concepts, and other facts should be noted:

- 1. The following history is of relevance to the proposed variance request:
 - a. The subject property (Lot 3) was originally platted in 1914 as a part of the Orange Heights Subdivision.
 - b. In 1954, a new Land Development Code went into effect and Lot 3 was in the R-1AA zoning district, which required a minimum lot width of 60 feet. Lot 3 became a legal nonconforming lot of record because it is only 54 feet in width.
 - In 1990, the current Land Development Code went into effect and Lot 3 is now zoned R-70. This lot is still considered nonconforming due to not meeting the minimum lot width (60 feet). However, Lot 3 does meet the minimum lot area (7,000 square feet) and lot depth (80 feet) requirements.
 - d. In 2015, Lot 3 and the adjacent property to the east (Lots 4 and 5) were sold and placed into common ownership.
 - e. At this time, the applicant would like to purchase the subject property separately and construct a new single-family home.
- 2. Per LDC Section 24.02(B), if at any time the owner of a nonconforming lot owns adjoining unimproved land, the lots shall be combined to meet the minimum requirements. Lots 3, 4 and 5 were never combined once they went into common ownership in 2015. This results in the variance request to determine whether Lot 3 is a buildable nonconforming lot of record. Section 215.02.5 of the LDC provides specific review standards for the Board of Adjustments to determine whether a nonconforming lot of record is buildable (as outlined in the following section of this report).
- 3. The existing home on Lots 4 and 5 was constructed in 1959, prior to Lots 3, 4, and 5 falling into common ownership. Therefore, Lots 4 and 5 did not rely on Lot 3 to be developed back in 1959. Further, the existing home meets the current required side setback for the R-70 zoning district.

REVIEW STANDARDS / PROVISIONAL FINDINGS OF FACT – <u>VARIANCES FOR NONCONFORMING</u> LOTS OF RECORDS:

Section 215.02.5 of the LDC provides that notwithstanding the requirements of Section 24.02, the Board of Adjustment may grant a variance to allow a nonconforming lot of record to be built upon if the following standards are met and provided by competent substantial evidence:

1. The lot consists of at least one entire lot of record on the effective date of this Code.

Provisional Findings: The subject property was created in 1914 and was a separate lot of record prior to the effective date of the LDC. *Based upon evidence available when this report was drafted, staff is of the opinion that this standard has been met.*



2. The lot was not created in violation of a previous zoning ordinance.

Provisional Findings: The lot was platted back in 1914 and was not created in violation of a previous zoning ordinance. *Based upon evidence available when this report was drafted, staff is of the opinion that this standard has been met.*

3. The lot was not combined with a neighboring lot under common ownership in order to allow the existing improvements on the neighboring developed lot to meet applicable setbacks.

Provisional Findings: Although the subject property is currently under common ownership, the existing home on Lots 4 and 5 was constructed in 1959, prior to Lots 3, 4 and 5 falling into common ownership. Therefore, Lots 4 and 5 did not rely on Lot 3 in order to be developed back in 1959. *Based upon evidence available when this report was drafted, staff is of the opinion that this standard has been met.*

PUBLIC CORRESPONDENCE:

Notices were sent to property owners within 500 feet of the subject property; a legal notice was published in the <u>Tampa Bay Times</u>; and the property was posted. *Staff has not received any responses to these notices.*

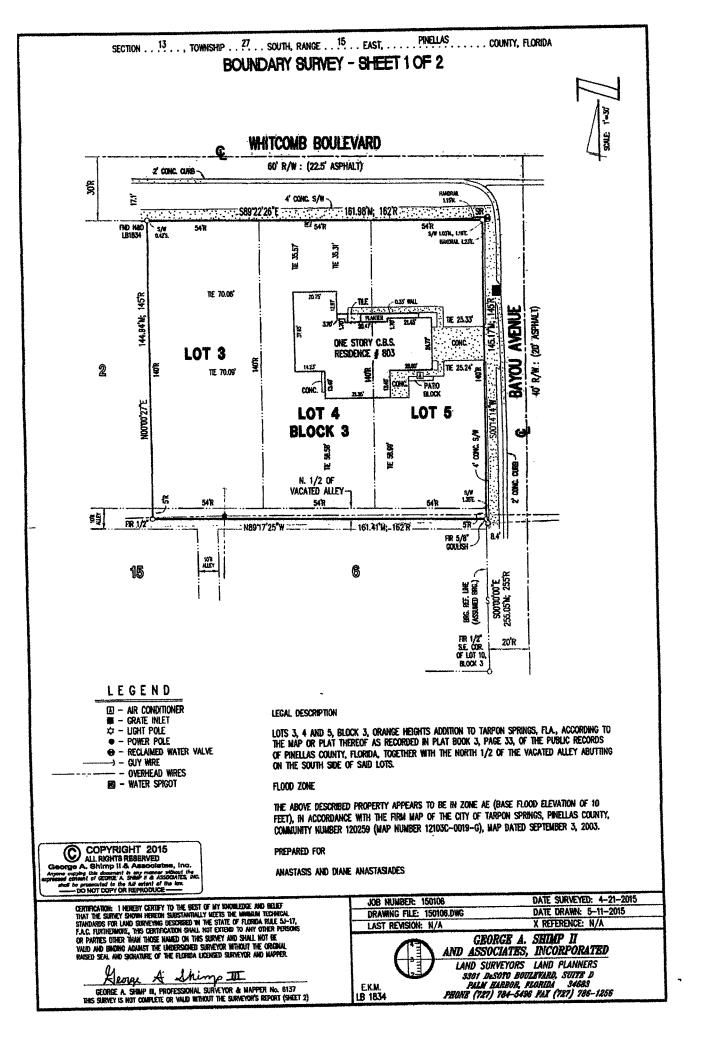
ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Location/Aerial Map
- 2. Survey
- 3. Application Materials









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BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT APPLICATION

	1. Property Owner(s)					
	Name	Email				
	ANASTASIS AMASTASI	ATES				
CITY OF TARPON SPRINGS	Address					
FLORIDA						
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TEL: (727) 942-5611	City State	Zip				
EMAIL: planning@ctsfl.us	TARPON SPRINKS FR	34600				
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with all applicable documents listed						
below in order to be scheduled for a Board or Committee.						
Board of Committee.	2. Applicant	Empil ()				
All fees MUST be paid in full prior to	Name	MARKAMARK				
Public Hearing.	J. MARK GIANESKIS	GIANESKIS. COM				
Completed original application	Address					
form and digital copies of all	487 RIVERSIDE DR.					
application documents	City State	Zip				
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Property survey, signed and sealed by a professional land surveyor						
Site Plan with documentation of	Phone Fax	Cellular				
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measurements called out) Photographs of site if relevant to						
request.	4. General Information					
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Non-Conforming Lot of Record Variance

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Required LDC Regulation(s): [list all that apply] Follow link below to our Land Development Code. <u>https://library.municode.com/fl/tarpon_springs/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=COOR_APCOZOLADECO_ARTIIDIRE_S25.00SCDIRE</u>

Board of Adjustment Review Standards

The Board of Adjustments may grant a variance to allow a nonconforming lot of record to built upon, if the following standards are met and proven by competent substantial evidence: (Please review the standards listed in the instructions below. For each requirement, explain how your request is met. Use additional sheets if necessary.) You may reference Section 215.02.5 at the link below if needed. https://library.municode.com/fl/tarpon_springs/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeld=COOR_APCOZOLADEC_O_ARTXIIADEN_S215.02.5VANOLORE

(1) Does the lot consist of at least one entire lot of record on the effective date of this Code? (Provide legal description on single deeds going back to 1990.)

e.g., The lot was created in 1926 and has remained a single lot of record since.

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(2) Was the lot created in violation of a previous zoning ordinance? (Explain if or when the lot was separated or subdivided.)

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(3) Was the lot combined with a neighboring lot under common ownership in order to allow the existing improvements on the neighboring developed lot to meet applicable setbacks. (Are the neighboring houses on conforming lots?)

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You may use the records of Pinellas County to answer some of the questions above. There are links below to the Pinellas County Property Appraiser's website and the Pinellas County Clerk of Court.

Pinellas County Property Appraiser: https://www.pcpao.org/

Pinellas County Clerk, Official Records: https://ccmspa.pinellascounty.org/PublicAccess/default.aspx

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Applicant's Signature:

The information included in and with this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Signature

Agent's Signature: (I represent the applicant/owner)

The information contained in and with this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

10/2 Agent's Signature

Owner's Signature:

I authorize the agent named above on this form to provide subject matter on the application contained herein for the purposes of discussion with City Staff, and to attend public hearings on my behalf. In addition, I authorize the filing of this application and certify ownership of the property described in this application as myself. Within this application, I have included all parties to an existing contract for sale. I further assent to the City's Comprehensive Plan as it applies to the property and it is understood that this application must be complete and accurate, and the appropriate fee paid prior to processing.

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Prepared by and return to: HERBERT ELLIOTT Attorney at Law 1111 Riverside Drive Tarpon Springs, FL 34689

Parcel ID No. 13-27-15-64188-003-0030 Consideration: \$ 95,000.00

WARRANTY DEED

THIS INDENTURE, made this _____ day of February, 2015, Between,

JAMES D. SPIRIDES AND DESPINA SPIRIDES, TRUSTEES UNDER THE SPIRIDES LIVING TRUST U/T/D MARCH 31, 2006, 4953 Killebrew Drive, Annadale Virginia 22003-5322, Grantors, and

ANASTASIS ANASTASIADES, A MARRIED MAN, 2256 Curlew Road, Palm Harbor, Florida 34683, Grantee,

WITNESSETH that said Grantors, for and in consideration of **** Ten Dollars ****, have granted, bargained and sold to the said Grantee, his heirs and assigns forever, the following described land in Pinellas County, Florida:

Lot 3, Block 3, ORANGE HEIGHTS ADDITION TO TARPON SPRINGS, FLA. according to the map or plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 33, public records of Pinellas County, Florida; together with the North 1/2 of vacated alley abutting on the South thereof.

and the said Grantors do hereby fully warrant the title to said land, and will defend the same against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantors have hereunto set their/hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Signed, sealed, and delivered in our presence:

Witness 1:

Printed:

Witness 2:

Printed:

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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA COUNTY OF <u>Fairfor</u>

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this q^{H} day of February, 2015, by James D. Spirides and Despina Spirides, who are personally known to me, and who did not take an oath:



Notary Public

James D. Spirides, Trustee

Despina Spirides, Trustee

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Prepared by and return to: Herbert Elliott Attorney at Law 1111 Riverside Drive Tarpon Springs, FL 34689

File Number: - Spirides \$245,000-

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Warranty Deed

This Warranty Deed made this 12th day of February, 2015 between Kalegis Spirides a/k/a Kalegis D. Spirides and Billie K. Spirides, husband and wife whose post office address is 2605 Oak Circle, Tarpon Springs, FL 34689, grantor, and Anastasis Anastasiades and Diane L. Anastasiades, husband and wife whose post office address is 803 Whitcomb Blvd, Tarpon Springs; FL 34689, grantee:

(Whenever used herein the terms "grantor" and "grantee" include all the parties to this instrument and the heirs, legal representatives, and assigns of individuals, and the successors and assigns of corporations, trusts and trustees)

Witnesseth, that said grantor, for and in consideration of the sum of TEN AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$10.00) and other good and valuable considerations to said grantor in hand paid by said grantee, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, has granted, bargained, and sold to the said grantee, and grantee's heirs and assigns forever, the following described land, situate, lying and being in Pinellas County, Florida to-wit:

Lots 4 and 5 and the North 1/2 of vacated alley abutting on the South side of said lots, Block 3, ORANGE HEIGHTS ADDITION TO TARPON SPRINGS, FLA., according to the map or plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 33, Public Records of Pinellas County, Florida.

Parcel Identification Number: 13/27/15/64188/003/0040

Together with all the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining.

To Have and to Hold, the same in fee simple forever.

And the grantor hereby covenants with said grantee that the grantor is lawfully seized of said land in fee simple; that the grantor has good right and lawful authority to sell and convey said land; that the grantor hereby fully warrants the title to said land and will defend the same against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever; and that said land is free of all encumbrances, except taxes accruing subsequent to December 31, 2014.

Kalegis D. Spiride

Billie K Spirides

Notary Public

In Witness Whereof, grantor has hereunto set grantor's hand and seal the day and year first above written.

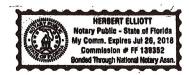
n our presence: Signed

GRI Witness Name: H

State of Florida County of Pinellas

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 12th day of February, 2015 by Kalegis D. Spirides and Billie K Spirides, who hare personally known or [X] have produced a driver licence addentification.

[Notary Seal]



Printed Name: Herbert Elliott

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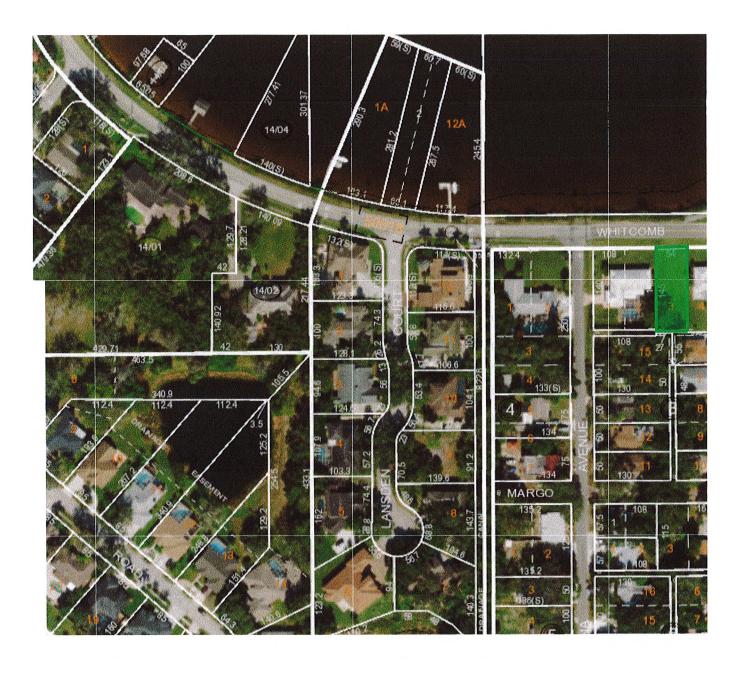
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71051834 O.R. 3556 PAGE 989 WARRANTY DEED CHELSEA TITLE AND GUARANTY COMPANY 13,007ь 6. 9. 3. ò 00 Э is Indenture, 8 Made this 24 day of May , A. D. 19 71 BETWEEN DEON O. ELLIOTT and MARY ELLIOTT, his wife and ALEXANDRA D. G. EMMANUEL, Executive of Estate of George M. Emmanuel, deceased of the County of Pinellas , in the State of Florida , part ies of the first part, a of the first part, and ESMINE SPIRIDES of the County of Pinellas , in the State of Florida , whose post office address is P. 0. Box 794, Tarpon Springs, FL 33589 of the second part, part **Witnesseth**, That the said part ies of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of other good and valuable considerations and TEN and NO/100----- Dollars, them in hand paid by the said part y the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, ve granted, bargained, and sold to the said part y of the second part, her heirs and them in hand paid by the said part y to ha assigns forever, the following described land, situate, and being in the County of Pinellas State of Florida . to-wit: E Lot 3, Block-3, ORANGE HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION, according to the map æ or plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 3 page 33, of the Public Records of Pinellas County, Florida. 5 5 H N DOCUMENTARY TAX ST/ Docu OF ORID P INELLAS COUNTY FLORIDA 03.30 DEPT, ds 108-8171 And the said part ies of the first part do hereby fully warrant the title to said land, and will defend the same against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever. In Witness Wherenf, The said part ies of the first part ha ve bereunto set their hand s and seal she day and year first above written. Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of LS. DEON O. ELLIOTT LS. MARY ELLIOT STATE OF KLOKNA .Colorado COUNTY OF Montrose I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, before me, an office duly authorized in the State aforesaid and in the County aforesaid to take acknowledgmments, personally appeared DEON O. ELLIOTT and MARY ELLIOTT, his wife to me known to be the person S described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and they acknowledged before me that they executed the same. WITNESS my hand and official seal in the County and State last aforesaid this 24th day of A D. 19 71. May My Commission expires February 11 1975 This instrument waiprepared by: CHELSEA TITLE & GUARANIN COMPANY 1 J. W. JONES, ASSISTANT VICE FRESIDENT 006 Chesnut Street, Cliggingter, Florida 33516 Whice instrument writing of a Titley, a start of a signal was a start of a signal and a signal a start of a signal a si which instrument was un " size introly.

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2018	No	\$127,166	\$101,177	\$101,177	\$127,166	\$101,177	
2017	No	\$105,596	\$91,979	\$91,979	\$105,596	\$91,979	
2016	No	\$83,617	\$83,617	\$83,617	\$83,617	\$83,617	
2015	No	\$88,385	\$88,385	\$88,385	\$88,385	\$88,385	
2014	No	\$87,751	\$87,751	\$87,751	\$87,751	\$87,751	
2013	No	\$90,320	\$90,320	\$90,320	\$90,320	\$90,320	
2012	No	\$95,164	\$95,164	\$95,164	\$95,164	\$95,164	
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Permit information is received from the County and Cities. This data may be incomplete and may exclude permits that do not result in field reviews (for example for water heater replacement permits). We are required to list all improvements, which may include unpermitted construction. Any questions regarding permits, or the status of non- permitted improvements, should be directed to the permitting jurisdiction in which the structure is located.						
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GIANESKIS #21-36

Board of Adjustments – April 28, 2021



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CITY OF TARPON SPRINGS PLANNING & ZONING DEPARTMENT





REQUEST

• #21-36 – Nonconforming Lot of Record

- LDC Section 24.02(B) If at any time the owner of a nonconforming lot of record owns adjoining land, the lots shall be combined to meet the minimum lot requirements.
- Applicant: J. Mark Gianeskis
- Property Owner: Anastasis Anastasiades
- Requesting variance approval to allow a nonconforming lot of record (Lot 3) that is under common ownership with adjacent property (Lots 4&5) to be buildable.







SITE HISTORY

• 1914 – Lots Created

- Lots 3, 4, & 5 of Orange Heights Subdivision
- 1954 New LDC
 - R-1AA Zoning
 - Min. Lot Width = 60 feet
- 1959 Home Build on Lots 4 & 5
- 1990 Current LDC Effective
 - R-70 Zoning
 - Min. Lot Width 60 feet
- 2015 Common Ownership
- 2021
 - Applicant would like to purchase Lot 3 separately and construct a single-family home.







REVIEW STANDARDS – VARIANCES FOR NONCONFORMING LOTS OF RECORD

- 1) The lot consists of at least one entire lot of record on the effective date of this Code.
- 2) The lot was not created in violation of a previous zoning ordinance.
- 3) The lot was not combined with a neighboring lot under common ownership in order to allow the existing improvements on the neighboring developed lot to meet applicable setbacks.



MINUTES BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT CITY OF TARPON SPRINGS, FLORIDA REGULAR SESSION – FEBRUARY 24, 2021

THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT OF THE CITY OF TARPON SPRINGS, FLORIDA MET IN A REGULAR SESSION IN THE CITY HALL AUDITORIUM AT 324 PINE STREET AND VIA ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCING, ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M. WITH THE FOLLOWING PRESENT:

Chris Hrabovsky	Chairperson
Jacqui Turner	Vice-Chairperson
George Bouris	Member
Michael Eisner	Member
Joanne Reich	Member
Steven Davis	1 st Alternate
Joanne Simon	2 nd Alternate

ALSO PRESENT: Patricia McNeese Principal Planner Allie Keen Senior Planner Erica Augello Board Attorney Kimberly Yothers Secretary to the Board

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chairperson, Hrabovsky called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Secretary to the Board Yothers called the roll.

2. QUASI-JUDICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT AND SWEARING OF SPEAKERS

Mrs. Augello read the Quasi-Judicial Announcement, swore in all who wished to testify and asked the Board if there was any ex-parte communication, there was none.

3. <u>APPLICATION # 20-162 – VARIANCE TO REDUCE THE REQUIRED SIDE YARD</u> <u>SETBACK AND THE REQUIRED REAR YARD SETBACK FOR AN ACCESSORY</u> <u>STRUCTURE</u>

Location: 643 Bayshore Drive

Application requesting a variance to reduce the required side yard setback and the required rear yard setback for construction of a shed accessory to an existing single-family residence.

Staff:

Mrs. Keen gave background information, explained the Findings of Fact listed below and noted that Standard #3, if strictly enforced, necessitated a staff recommendation of denial, due to the fact the shed could be smaller in size to meet the required setback. However, staff was of the opinion that the requested variance was the minimum necessary to allow for a shed on a property with mature oak trees that was consistent in size with other sheds within the neighborhood and other residential districts. Based upon this evidence, staff recommended approval of this request.

(Continued) <u>APPLICATION # 20-162 – VARIANCE TO REDUCE THE REQUIRED SIDE YARD SETBACK</u> AND THE REQUIRED REAR YARD SETBACK (CONTINUED)

Findings of Fact:

- 1. The reduced side and rear setbacks for the shed were to accommodate an existing mature oak tree on the property. Additionally, the shed was unable to be located elsewhere in the backyard due to the topography along the north side of the property and other mature trees within the back yard. Additionally, the subject property was slightly smaller that required in the R-100 district. Based upon evidence available when this report was drafted, staff was of the opinion that this standard had been met.
- 2. The special circumstances of the property were not self-created nor resulted from any action by the applicant with prior knowledge or approval of the applicant. There were several mature trees and slight topography changes on the subject site that limited where a shed could be placed on the property. *Based upon evidence available when this report was drafted, staff was of the opinion that this standard had been met.*
- 3. Literal enforcement of the minimum setback requirements for a shed necessitated the applicant to reduce the overall size of the shed in order to meet the required 5-foot side and rear setbacks. Based upon evidence available when this report was drafted, staff was of the opinion that this standard had been met.
- 4. Approval of this request did not confer any special uses or privileges to the applicant that were not commonly enjoyed by other property owners in this area. Storage sheds were common for residential properties and found throughout the immediate neighborhood. Further, granting of this variance allowed for a shed that mets the size limitations for a residential district. Based upon evidence available when this report was drafted, staff was of the opinion that this standard had been met.
- 5. Storage sheds were common for residential properties and found throughout the immediate neighborhood. Due to mature trees on the property, it minimized the locations where a shed could be placed, resulting in reduced side and rear setbacks. Further, the proposed shed did not exceed the maximum size for a residential district; therefore, approval of this request would not substantially diminish property values or alter the character of the neighborhood. *Based upon evidence available when this report was drafted, staff was of the opinion that this standard had been met.*

Board:

Ms. Turner requested clarification about the wording on page one of the Staff Report under **Development Standards**, it indicated that the district had a minimum of 5-food setback from the side **OR** rear lot line but on page two under **Planning Considerations 2.**, it indicated that there is a required minimum 5-foot setback from the side **AND** rear property lines.

Mrs. Keen indicated that the **OR** on page one was a clerical error, and that the minimum setback was 5-feet from the side **AND** the rear property lines.

Mr. Eisner asked what it meant in the third criterion where it indicated that Standard #3, *if strictly enforced.*

Mrs. Keen noted that the Staff recommendation took many factors into consideration, including topography and trees, and the fact that the applicant could erect a smaller shed.

(Continued) <u>APPLICATION # 20-162 – VARIANCE TO REDUCE THE REQUIRED SIDE YARD SETBACK</u> <u>AND THE REQUIRED REAR YARD SETBACK (CONTINUED)</u>

Mr. Eisner further noted that he believed that the report from Staff gave a false sense of security to the applicant and lead them to believe that the Board had flexibility with the criteria, when they did not.

Mrs. Keen noted that when Staff discussed the Staff Report with the Applicant, it was explained that it was up to the Applicant to provide testimony and evidence to the Board that would prove that they met all of the criteria for approval of the variance. In addition, she noted that it was customary for Planning Staff to give their recommendation and to prepare the Staff report based on their review.

Mr. Eisner noted that he did not agree with that logic and that he believed that Staff should have recommended a denial and allowed the Board to vote accordingly. He further asserted that he did not understand why there was a comparison to other sheds in the area without explanation as to whether the other sheds had smaller setbacks.

Mrs. Keen explained that the Staff analysis took the general area into consideration and compared what was allowed on other properties in the area with the request of the applicant.

Mrs. Augello reminded the Board that the Staff Report was written from a planning perspective.

Mr. Eisner noted that questions needed to be answered before people purchased homes so they did not need variances.

Applicant:

Jeff Knuckles, 643 Bayshore Drive, Tarpon Springs, noted that he needed the shed so that he could store his items and that the proposed plan was the only area of the yard that he could place the shed.

Deborah Cunningham, 643 Bayshore Drive, noted that they assumed that they would be ok with placing their shed close to the property line because when they drove around looking at homes, they noticed that the neighbor had a shed that was very close to the property line.

> Motion: Mr. Bouris Second: Ms. Turner

To approve application 20-162 as presented by Staff.

<u>Vote on Motion:</u> Upon roll call vote, the motion was passed, as follows.

Ms. Reich	No
Mr. Eisner	No
Mr. Bouris	Yes
Ms. Turner	Yes

Yes

January 27, 2021 regular meeting

MOTION: Ms. Turner SECOND: Ms. Reich

To approve the minutes from January 27, 2021 with the correction of the vote on application 20-144, as Mr. Eisner voted "No".

<u>Vote on Motion:</u> Upon roll call vote, the motion was passed, as follows.

Ms. Reich	Yes
Mr. Eisner	Yes
Mr. Bouris	Yes
Ms. Turner	Yes
Mr. Hrabovsky	Yes
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5. STAFF COMMENTS

Mrs. Keen noted that there were no Board comments.

6. BOARD COMMENTS

Mr. Eisner asked if the Staff could refrain from providing a recommendation so that the Board could make the decision.

Mrs. Augello indicated that the Board was not supposed to dictate what the City Staff prepared in their report.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Hrabovsky adjourned the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

Chris Hrabovsky, Chairman