

Tuesday, June 12, 2018 7:00 pm Regular Meeting 1307 Cloquet Ave, Cloquet, MN 55720

AGENDA				
1.	Call to Order			
2.	Roll Call			
3.	Additions/Changes to the Agenda			
4.	Minutes from the April 10, 2018 and April 17, 2018 Planning Commission meeting			
5.	Zoning Case 18-05: ISG, Inc. – Aldi's, Variance			
6.	Zoning Case 18-06: Trent Issendorf, Variance			
7.	Commissioner's Questions/Comments			
8.	Adjourn			
NEXT MEETING: July 10 th @ 7 pm				



Tuesday, April 10, 2018 7:00 p.m. 1307 Cloquet Ave, Cloquet, MN 55720

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Wilkinson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Attending: Planning Commission members: John Sanders, Terri Lyytinen, Elizabeth Polling and Uriah Wilkinson; City: Al Cottingham.

Absent: Nathaniel Wilkinson.

Others Present: John and Julie Haverkamp and Amie Roberson

ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None.

AGENDA ITEMS

Election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson

Motion: Commissioner Lyvtinen made a motion to appoint Uriah Wilkinson as

Chairperson and John Sanders as Vice Chairperson, Commissioner Polling

seconded. (Motion was approved 4-0).

March 13, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Chairman Wilkinson asked for any corrections or additions.

Motion: Commissioner Polling made a motion to approve the Planning Commission

meeting minutes from March 13, 2018, Commissioner Lyytinen seconded.

(Motion was approved 4-0).

Zoning Case 18-04: Conditional Use Permit for John Haverkamp

Chairman Wilkinson reviewed the public hearing procedures and format and opened the public hearing for Zoning Case 18-04, Conditional Use Permit for John Haverkamp. He asked Mr. Cottingham to provide an overview of the topic. Mr. Cottingham noted that John Haverkamp was requesting a conditional use permit in order to add two apartments to the second floor of his building, located at 901 Cloquet Avenue. A legal notice was published in the Pine Journal on March 29, 2018 and property owners within 350 feet were sent notice of the public hearing. Mr. Haverkamp was present to address the Commission. He noted a letter was received from David Pritchett, 813 Cloquet Avenue in support of the request.



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Commissioner Sanders inquired as to off-street parking for the units.

Mr. Haverkamp noted that they owned the parking area to the north of the building and there was room for at least 12 stalls in that lot.

There being no further discussion Chairman Wilkinson closed the public hearing.

The Commission discussed the conditional use permit criteria and all felt that the request met the criteria.

Chairman Wilkinson looked for a motion.

Motion:

Commissioner Lyytinen made a motion to approve Resolution No. 18-04, A Resolution Recommending to the City Council Approval of the Conditional Use Permit for John Haverkamp for Two Additional Apartments for a Total of Four in the CC – City Center District, Commissioner Polling seconded. (Motion was approved 4-0).

Zoning Case 18-01: Variance and Site Plan for Toy Barn Storage, LLC.

Chairman Wilkinson reviewed the public hearing procedures and format and opened the public hearing for Zoning Case 18-01, Variance and Site Plan for Toy Barn Storage, LLC. He asked Mr. Cottingham to provide an overview of the topic. Mr. Cottingham stated Toy Barn Storage, LLC was requesting four variances and a site plan for a mini storage facility in the OM – Office/Manufacturing District. The variances are for two ground signs, no curb and gutter around the parking and drive areas, the requirement for irrigation and more than one principal building on a lot. A legal notice was published in the Pine Journal on March 29, 2018 and property owners within 350 feet were sent notice of the public hearing. Ms. Roberson was present to address the Commission.

Ms. Roberson addressed the Commission and their request for the variances. She noted that they would only be hooking up to city water for the irrigation since the buildings did not need water. The plantings would be native to the area and thus would not need to be irrigated. As for the curb they would have limited traffic on the site and didn't see a need for curb and gutter. The other buildings in the business park did not have curb and gutter. The extra signage is to allow for the web address to be located on the gate. She could work on having that in a different location so it wouldn't need a variance. The more than one principle building is because of the nature of the business and trying to keep the buildings small.

The Commission discussed the requirement for irrigation and that if they did not have irrigation then they would need to disconnect the water at the main and that may be costly. They discussed the variance criteria and how the different request either met or didn't meet the criteria. There was discussion as to precedents already being set with the existing buildings in the business park.

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There being no further discussion Chairman Wilkinson closed the public hearing.

Chairman Wilkinson looked for a motion.

Motion: Commissioner Sanders made a motion to approve Resolution No. 18-01

Variance - Principal Building, A Resolution Approving the Variance for

More than One Principal Structure on a Lot in the OM -

Office/Manufacturing District for Toy Barn Storage, LLC, Commissioner

Lyytinen seconded. (Motion was approved 4-0).

Motion: Commissioner Sanders made a motion to approve Resolution No. 18-01

Variance – Curb and Gutter. A Resolution Approving the Variance not to Require Curb and Gutter Around all Parking and Drive Aisles for Toy Barn Storage, LLC, Commissioner Lyytinen seconded. (Motion was approved 4-0).

Motion: Commissioner Polling made a motion to approve Resolution No. 18-01

Variance – Signage, A Resolution Denying the Variance for a Second Free Standing Sign for Toy Barn Storage, LLC, Commissioner Sanders seconded.

(Motion was approved 4-0).

Motion: Commissioner Lyytinen made a motion to approve Resolution No. 18-01

Variance – Irrigation. A Resolution Approving the Variance to not Install Irrigation for Toy Barn Storage, LLC, Commissioner Polling seconded.

(Motion was denied 2-2).

Motion: Commissioner Polling made a motion to table Resolution No. 18-01 Variance

- Irrigation. Commissioner Lyvtinen seconded. (Motion was approved 4-0)

Motion: Commissioner Sanders made a motion to approved Resolution No. 18-01 Site

Plan, A Resolution Recommending Approval of a Site Plan in the OM – Office Manufacturing District for Toy Barn Storage, LLC, Commissioner

Lyvtinen seconded. (Motion was approved 4-0).

The Commission discussed when they could meet to act on the irrigation variance. The consensus on the Commission was to meet on Tuesday, April 17 at 6:30 pm.

Commissioner's Questions/Comment

None

Next Meeting

April 17, 2018



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Meeting adjourned 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Al Cottingham, City Planner/Zoning Administrator



Tuesday, April 17, 2018 7:00 p.m. 1307 Cloquet Ave, Cloquet, MN 55720

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Wilkinson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Attending: Planning Commission members: John Sanders, Terri Lyytinen, Elizabeth Polling, Nathaniel Wilkinson and Uriah Wilkinson; City: Al Cottingham and Holly Hansen.

Absent: None.

Others Present: Amie Roberson

ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None.

AGENDA ITEMS

Zoning Case 18-01: Variance for Toy Barn Storage, LLC.

Chairman Wilkinson introduced Zoning Case 18-01, Variance for Toy Barn Storage, LLC. He asked Mr. Cottingham to provide an overview of the topic. Mr. Cottingham stated Toy Barn Storage, LLC was requesting a variance to the requirement for irrigation. This item was tabled at the last meeting. Ms. Roberson provided staff and the Commission additional information on "native plantings" and the use of irrigation, she was present to address the Commission.

Ms. Roberson addressed the Commission stating they were trying for a more natural landscape rather than one with irrigation. This is becoming a national trend and preserving the natural resources, parts of Minnesota are blessed with plenty of water while other areas put watering bans on in the summer months. The site development is being done with national LEED standards.

The Commission discussed the requirement for irrigation and the lack of irrigation on the other two developments within the park. They discussed the disconnection of the water line at the main, native plantings and the time frame to get them established. They discussed the Ordinance requirement for irrigation and the need to review the requirements and the need for irrigation.

Chairman Wilkinson looked for a motion.



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Motion: Commissioner Lyytinen made a motion to approve Resolution No. 18-01

Variance – Irrigation. A Resolution Approving a Variance to Not Install Irrigation for Toy Barn Storage, LLC, subject to the Site Being Reviewed in Three Years to be Sure the Plantings were Surviving Without Irrigation or This Would be Revisited, Commissioner Sanders seconded. (Motion was

approved 5-0).

Commissioner's Questions/Comment

None

Next Meeting

May 8, 2018

Meeting adjourned 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Al Cottingham, City Planner/Zoning Administrator



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To: Planning Commission

From: Al Cottingham, City Planner/Zoning Administrator

Date: June 6, 2018

ITEM DESCRIPTION: ZONING CASE 18-05: VARIANCE FOR ISG, INC. FOR

ALDI'S WEST OF 101 BIG LAKE ROAD (PERKINS)

Background

ISG, Inc. has submitted a Variance application for ALDI's. The site is located west of 101 Big Lake Road (Perkins).

The Variance is to allow a 35-foot pylon sign on property that is not adjacent to Highway 33.

A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, June 12, 2018 to consider a variance to allow a 35-foot pylon sign. A legal notice was published in the Pine Journal on May 31, 2018 and property owners within 350 feet were sent notices of the public hearing.

Policy Objectives

The Zoning Ordinance states Variances may be granted when they are in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the ordinance, are consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, and when the applicant for the variance establishes that there are practical difficulties in complying with the official control. No variance may be granted unless <u>all</u> of the following conditions exist:

- 1. The property owner proposes to use the property in a reasonable manner not permitted by an official control;
- 2. The plight of the landowner is due to circumstances unique to the property not created by the landowner; and
- 3. The variance, if granted, will not alter the essential character of the locality.

Financial Impacts

The Variance fee is \$350. The applicant has paid this fee to cover the cost associated with the application process.

Advisory Committee Action Requested

The Commission should review the Variance and take into account any comments pertaining to it. Following this review the Planning Commission can approve the request, deny the request or table the request for some additional information.



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Staff Recommendation

Staff would recommend denial of the Variance as submitted. The Ordinance allows for a ground sign with a maximum height of 10 feet. The location of the proposed of the sign is approximately 22 feet above the elevation of the intersection of Big Lake Road and Hwy 33 while it is approximately 45 feet lower than the intersection of Big Lake Road and Spring Lake Road. While the Super 8 Motel has a pylon sign for their site this was approved prior to the Ordinance change in 2009.

If the Commission is inclined to approve the variance staff would suggest limiting the height to 25 feet as defined in the Ordinance.

Supporting Documents Attachments

- Resolution No. 18-05
- Location Map
- Variance Narrative
- Sign Plans

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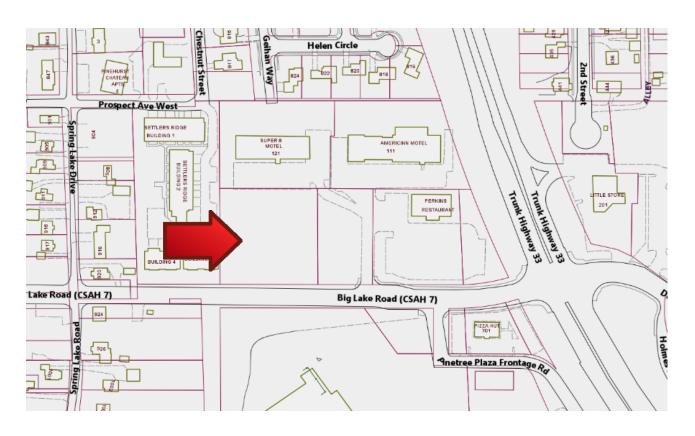
COUNTY OF CARLTON

CITY OF CLOQUET

Commissioner	offered the follo	wing Resolution and moved its adoption.
	RESO	LUTION NO. 18-05
A RESOLUTION DEN		RIANCE IN THE RC – REGIONAL COMMERCIAL R ISG, INC. FOR ALDI'S
		riance to allow a 35-foot pylon sign on property that is not mercial District for ALDI's; and
WHEREAS, the property legally described as follow		Variance is located west of 101 Big Lake Road and is
The West 389.04 f Minnesota. And,	eet of the South 245	feet of Outlot A, Lumberjack Addition, Carlton County,
WHEREAS, the Planning	Commission review	red the staff report and denies the Sign Variance.
OF CLOQUET, MINNE Variance for ISG, Inc. for	SOTA, that the Plan ALDI's.	BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY ning Commission denies Zoning Case 18-05 for a Sign Commissioner and being put to vote members.
TERRI LYYTINEN		ELIZABETH POLLING
JOHN SANDERS		NATHANIEL WILKINSON
URIAH WILKINSON _		
Passed and adopted this 12	th day of June 2018.	
		CITY OF CLOQUET
		URIAH WILKINSON CHAIR
ATTEST: Alan Cottingham		
	ing Administrator	

Location Map

ALDI's





No Scale



May 14, 2018

Al Cottingham
City Planner/Zoning Administrator
Community Development Department
City of Cloquet
1307 Cloquet Avenue
Cloquet, MN 55720

RE: Project Description and Application Narrative for Variance Request ALDI Store No. 101 - Cloquet, Minnesota

Please consider the following project description and narrative during the review process for the attached Variance application. All supplemental information required by the application has also been included to provide a comprehensive review.

The subject property is comprised of two parcels located at the intersection of Big Lake Road and Hwy 33 in Cloquet, Carlton County, Minnesota (PID: 06-705-0180 & 06-705-0182), that total 2.20 acres, and are currently zoned RC - Regional Commercial. Note that we are currently in the process of replatting these two parcels into one.

ALDI is proposing to construct a new approximate 21,998 square foot grocery store and parking lot, as well as the associated site improvements including drive aisles, stormwater infrastructure, utilities, and landscaping. In addition to the project scope outlined above, ALDI is also proposing to construct a pylon sign at the southeast side of the site per the attached Site Plan and Pylon Sign Details/Specifications. Per Chapter 17.5.13 of the City Code, free-standing signs throughout the City of Cloquet shall be ground signs with the exception that properties abutting Interstate 35 or Hwy 33 may be allowed to erect modified pylon signs if authorized by the Planning Commission. Therefore, we are requesting approval of a variance consistent with the attached Variance application and supplemental materials.

The intent of the pylon sign is to provide maximum visibility to ensure the new ALDI store is easily identified. Due to unique site constraints such as being set back from Hwy 33 and reduced visibility from the incline of Big Lake Road, the subject site is obstructed from view; thus decreasing visibility from the Hwy 33 right-of-way. Because of the highway easement, access easement, and grades along Big Lake Road, a monument sign as allowed by Code would not be visible to the public; and therefore, would not provide the benefit as intended. A pylon sign will better allow drivers to identify the entrance to the ALDI site, and also allow drivers additional time to move into the turn lane as they travel down Big Lake Road. The precedent has been set that a pylon sign is allowable and these unique circumstances require the need for a pylon sign in this location.

The signage as proposed will not alter the essential character of the locality as businesses providing retail goods and services are a permitted use with the RC - Regional Commercial zoning district; therefore, the owner will be using the property in a reasonable manner. There are also several surrounding commercial/retail properties that have been granted variances for pylon signage.

The proposed signage will also be an integral architectural element of the building, and incorporating design measures such as landscaping will preserve and protect the surrounding landscapes and civic beauty within the area. In addition, no impacts to the health, safety, or welfare of neighboring properties or the general public are anticipated.



The signage as proposed will maintain the relationship of the commercial/retail site and character of the surrounding businesses, many of which have been granted approval for pylon signage. Approval of the requested variance will ensure that ALDI is granted a reasonable and equitable opportunity to identify themselves, while meeting the intent of the City Code.

These considerations along with the supplemental information provided within this submittal support approval of the requested Variance. Feel welcome to contact me at 952.426.0699 if there is any additional information we can provide in support of this request on behalf ALDI.

Sincerely,

Ryan Anderson

Graduate Engineer

Civil Engineering Group

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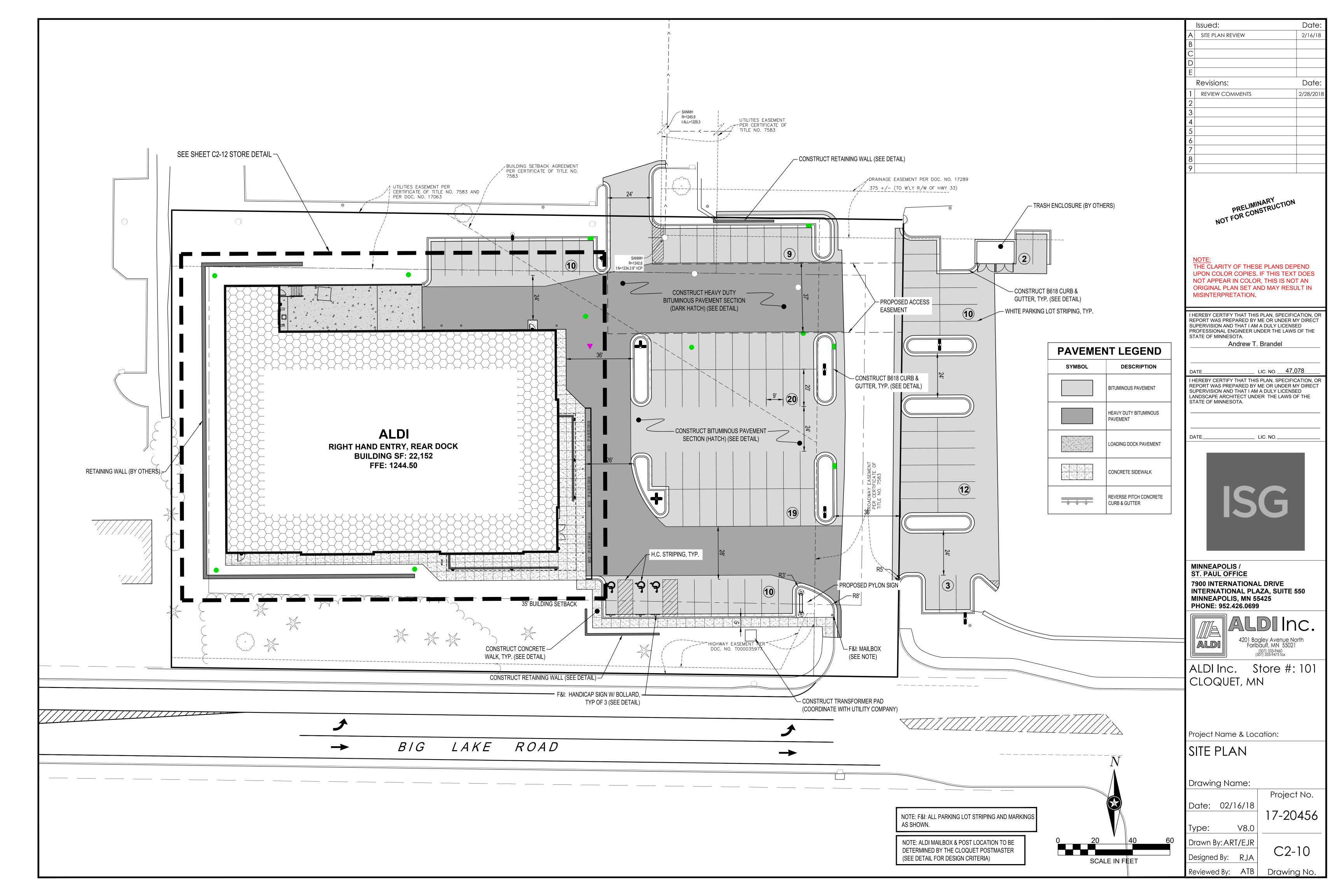
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To: Planning Commission

From: Al Cottingham, City Planner/Zoning Administrator

Date: June 6, 2018

ITEM DESCRIPTION: ZONING CASE 18-06: VARIANCE FOR TRENT

ISSENDORF, 1399 LAWRENCE ROAD

Background

Trent Issendorf has submitted a Variance application. The site is located at 1399 Lawrence Road.

The Variance is to allow an accessory structure closer to the road than the principal structure.

A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, June 12, 2018 to consider a variance to allow an accessory structure closer to the road than the principal structure. A legal notice was published in the Pine Journal on May 31, 2018 and property owners within 350 feet were sent notices of the public hearing.

Policy Objectives

The Zoning Ordinance states Variances may be granted when they are in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the ordinance, are consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, and when the applicant for the variance establishes that there are practical difficulties in complying with the official control. No variance may be granted unless <u>all</u> of the following conditions exist:

- 1. The property owner proposes to use the property in a reasonable manner not permitted by an official control;
- 2. The plight of the landowner is due to circumstances unique to the property not created by the landowner; and
- 3. The variance, if granted, will not alter the essential character of the locality.

Financial Impacts

The Variance fee is \$350. The applicant has paid this fee to cover the cost associated with the application process.

Advisory Committee Action Requested

The Commission should review the Variance and take into account any comments pertaining to it. Following this review the Planning Commission can approve the request, deny the request or table the request for some additional information.



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Staff Recommendation

Staff would recommend approval of the Variance as submitted. There are other properties in the area that have accessory structures closer to the road than the principal structure. The required front yard setback is a minimum of 30 feet and this structure will be approximately 65 feet. The property owner is trying to save a mature stand of Red Pines by moving the structure forward on the lot. The proposed structure will be approximately 6 feet closer to the road than the property to the west.

Supporting Documents Attachments

- Resolution No. 18-06
- Location Map
- Site Plan

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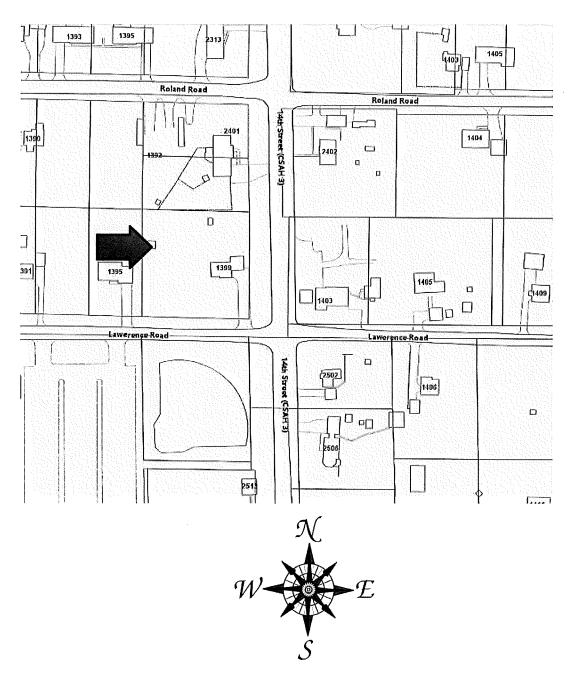
COUNTY OF CARLTON

CITY OF CLOQUET	
Commissioner offered the following	lowing Resolution and moved its adoption.
RESC	OLUTION NO. 18-06
	ANCE TO ALLOW AN ACCESSORY STRUCTURE IN BURBAN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT FOR TRENT ISSENDORF
WHEREAS, Trent Issendorf is proposing a Value of the SR – Suburban Residential District; and	Variance to allow an accessory structure in the front yard in
WHEREAS , the property of the proposed Vadescribed as follows:	ariance is located at 1399 Lawrence Road and is legally
Lots 1 and 2, Antus 1st Addition, Carl	lton County, Minnesota. And,
WHEREAS, the Planning Commission revie	wed the staff report and approves the Variance.
OF CLOQUET, MINNESOTA, that the Pla	, BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY anning Commission approves Zoning Case 18-06 for a square foot accessory structure in the front yard the house.
The foregoing motion was duly seconded by voted: AYE: NAY: ABSENT:	Commissioner and being put to vote members
TERRI LYYTINEN	ELIZABETH POLLING
JOHN SANDERS	NATHANIEL WILKINSON
URIAH WILKINSON	
Passed and adopted this 12 th day of June 2018	3.
	CITY OF CLOQUET
A TTEST.	URIAH WILKINSON CHAIR

Alan Cottingham
City Planner/Zoning Administrator

Location Map

Trent Issendorf



No Scale



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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APPLICATION FORM

PROPERTY OWNER: Trent + Amy Issa	endor-f					
ADDRESS: 1399 Lawrence Re						
CITY, STATE ZIP CODE: Cloquet, MN 3						
PHONE NUMBER: 218 391-0770						

APPLICANT NAME: Trent Issendo	rf					
ADDRESS: 1399 Lawrence						
CITY, STATE ZIP CODE: Cloquet, MN 55720						
PHONE NUMBER: 218-391-0770						
SITE LOCATION/ADDRESS: 1399 Lawrence Rd., Cloquet						
	17					
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lots 1+2. Antus 1st Addition						
APPLICATION TYPE:						
CONDITIONAL USE	VARIANCE					
COMP PLAN AMEND	REZONE					
PRELIMINARY PLAT	FINAL PLAT					
PLANNED UNIT DEV	SITE PLAN					
ZONING AMEND	WETLAND CERT/MIT					
	WEILAND CENT/IVIII					
DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL: approx. des	ecription of proposed garage-					
36 × 32 stick built garage or	pole building w/concrete					
C) web						
OWNER SIGNATURE: Treat I Issendar	X DATE 5/20/10					
OWNER SIGNATURE: THENO SESSENCE OF	DATE: 5/20/18					
ADDITIONAL SIGNATURE AND	b.h.					
APPLICANT SIGNATURE: French Joseph Jo	DATE: 5/20/18					
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FILING FEE: \$350°°						
DATE: 5-21-(8						
CASE NUMBER: 18-06						



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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BUILDING DEPARTMENT SITE OR PLOT PLAN

Addition to Permit #_

The undersigned hereby certify that the site plan shown below is a correct set back plan of dwellings and other structures.

Date: 5-20-18 Signature Scale: 1 sq = Scale: 1 sq = \$5' N stand of God Garage House 36 Proposed E 114' 78' A -aurence Rd

Trent Issendorf's site plan

