Interoffice Memorandum



September 11, 2017

AGENDA ITEM

TO: Mayor Teresa Jacobs

-AND-

Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Jon V. Weiss, P.E., Directo

Community, Environmental and Development

Services Department

CONTACT PERSON: David D. Jones, P.E., CEP, Manager

Environmental Protection Division

(407) 836-1405

SUBJECT: October 3, 2017 – Consent Item

Environmental Protection Commission Recommendation for a waiver and a variance for the Cole Boat Dock Construction Permit

#BD-17-06-065

On June 8, 2017, the Environmental Protection Division (EPD) received an Application for Waiver to Section 15-342(b) for a larger than allowed terminal platform size and an Application for Variance to Section 15-343(a) for a reduced side setback for Boat Dock Construction Permit #BD-17-06-065 for property owned by Mr. Glen Cole. The project site is located at 15604 Avenue of the Arbors, Winter Garden, Florida 34787. The Parcel ID is 21-23-27-8132-10-030. The subject property is located on Lake Hancock in District 1.

Notifications of the requests for waiver and variance were sent to all shoreline property owners within 300 feet of the shoreline of the subject property. EPD did not receive any objections to either request at this time. The applicant has also submitted a Letter of No Objection from the most affected party located at 15598 Avenue of the Arbors.

During the August 30, 2017 Environmental Protection Commission (EPC) public hearing, the EPC voted to unanimously uphold the recommendation of the Environmental Protection Officer to approve the request for waiver to Orange County Code, Chapter 15, Article IX, Section 15-342(b) (terminal platform size) and approve the request for variance to Chapter 15, Article IX, Section 15-343(a) (side setback), with a condition that the applicant pay \$681 to the Orange County Conservation Trust Fund (CTF) as mitigation. The applicant paid the mitigation fee to the CTF prior to the hearing.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Acceptance of recommendation of the Environmental Protection Commission to approve the request for waiver to Orange County Code, Chapter 15, Article IX, Section 15-342(b) (terminal platform size) and to approve the request for variance to Chapter 15, Article IX, Section 15-343(a) (side setback) with the condition that the applicant pay \$681 to the Orange County Conservation Trust Fund for the Cole Dock Construction Permit #BD-17-06-065. District 1

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ORANGE COUNTY **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMISSION** August 30, 2017

PROJECT NAME:

Cole Boat Dock

PERMIT APPLICATION NUMBER:

BD-17-06-065

LOCATION/ADDRESS:

15604 Avenue of the Arbors, Winter Garden, FL 34787

RECOMMENDATION:

Pursuant To Orange County Code, Chapter 15, Article IX, Section 15-350(b), Approve The Request for waiver to Orange County Code, Chapter 15, Article IX, Section 15-342(b) (Terminal Platform Size), and Approve The Request For Variance to Chapter 15, Article IX, Section 15-343(a) Side Setback, with a condition that the applicant pay \$681.00 to the Conservation Trust Fund for the Cole Dock Construction Permit #BD-17-06-065.

EPC AGREES WITH THE ACTION REQUESTED, AS PRESENTED

EPC DISAGREES WITH THE ACTION REQUESTED, AS PRESENTED AND HAS MADE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION:				



August 8, 2017

To:

Environmental Protection Commission

From:

David D. Jones, P.E., CEP, Manager

Environmental Protection Division

Subject:

Glen Cole Request for a Boat Dock Waiver and a Variance

Reason for Public Hearing

The applicant, Glen Cole, is requesting approval of a waiver to Section 15-342(b) for a larger than allowed terminal platform and a variance to Section 15-343(a) for a reduction to the minimum required side setback (BD-17-06-065).

Location of Property/Legal Description

The project site is located at 15604 Avenue of the Arbors, Winter Garden, Florida 34787. The Parcel ID is 21-23-27-8132-10-030. The subject property is located on Lake Hancock in Orange County Commission District 1.

Public Notifications

The applicant was notified of the hearing date on August 2, 2017.

Staff Findings

On June 8, 2017, the Environmental Protection Division (EPD) received an Application for Waiver to Section 15-342(b) for a larger than allowed terminal platform size and an Application for Variance to Section 15-343(a) for a reduced side setback. Pursuant to Orange County Code, Chapter 15, Article IX, EPD staff has evaluated the proposed application and required documents.

On June 26, 2017, notifications of the request for waiver and variance were sent to all shoreline property owners within 300 feet of the shoreline to the subject property. EPD has received no objections to either request at this time. The applicant has also submitted a Letter of No Objection (LONO) from the affected party located at 15598 Avenue of the Arbors.

Terminal Platform Size Waiver

Section 15-342(b) states that the maximum square footage of the terminal platform shall not exceed the square footage of ten times the linear shoreline frontage for the first 75 feet of shoreline and five times the linear shoreline frontage for each foot in excess of 75 feet, not to exceed a maximum of 1,000 square feet.

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The applicant has approximately 49 linear feet of shoreline on Lake Hancock, which by code will allow up to 490 square feet of terminal platform. The applicant has requested approval of a terminal platform of 759 square feet. This is an increase of 269 square feet over what is allowed by code.

Pursuant to Section 15-350(a)(2), "the applicant shall describe (1) how this waiver would not negatively impact the environment; and (2) the effect of the proposed waiver on abutting shoreline owners."

To address 15-350(a)(2)(1), the Authorized Agent has stated that "The proposed dock will still be under the maximum allowable square footage of 1000 sq. ft. and in comparable size to neighboring docks along Lake Hancock shoreline. Given the unique shape of this particular parcel, the homeowner's are exposed to a unique hardship that limits them to build a reasonably sized dock."

The increased shading has been evaluated by staff using Uniform Mitigation Assessment Method (UMAM) and if the waiver is approved, the applicant has agreed to offset the environmental impacts associated with the larger terminal platform size with a payment of \$681.00 to the Conservation Trust Fund (CTF).

To address Section 15-350(a)(2)(2), the applicant has stated "There doesn't seem to be any immediate evidence that this waiver, if granted, will impact either of the abutting shoreline owners. A Letter of No Objection has been provided by the neighbor in which the dock will impact the greatest."

Side Setback Variance

Section 15-343(a) states that on lots or parcels having a shoreline frontage of less than 75 feet, docks, including designated mooring areas, shall have a minimum side-setback of 10 feet from the projected property line.

Due to the shoreline length of only 49 linear feet, the required minimum side setback is 10 feet from both projected property lines. Due to the very narrow project area created by the projected property lines, the applicant is requesting approval of a side setback of negative seventeen (-17) feet from the adjacent southern projected property line. The dock will meet the setback requirement from the northern projected property line.

Pursuant to Section 15-350(a)(1), Variances, "the applicant shall also describe (1) how strict compliance with the provisions from which a variance is sought would impose a unique and unnecessary hardship on the applicant – the hardship cannot be self-imposed; and (2) the effect of the proposed variance on abutting shoreline owners."

To address 15-350(a)(1)(1), the Authorized Agent has stated that "The unique shape of the owners' parcel property lines dramatically limits the area in which they can build a dock of any reasonable size and creates an unnecessary hardship that limits their ability to reasonably use the lake and shoreline."

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To address 15-350(a)(1)(2), the agent has stated that "If this variance is granted, the dock will encroach beyond the projected property lines of the abutting shoreline owner to the south, A letter of No Objection from the affected neighbor has been notarized and submitted for approval."

Enforcement Action

There currently is no enforcement action for this property.

Staff Recommendation

The recommendation of the Environmental Protection Officer is to approve the request for waiver to Section 15-342(b) for the additional terminal platform size with the condition the Applicant make a donation of \$681.00 to the CTF for the additional shading impacts, and approve the request for variance to Section 15-343(a) for a reduced side setback of -17 feet from the southern projected property line.

ACTION REQUESTED

PURSUANT TO ORANGE COUNTY CODE, CHAPTER 15, ARTICLE IX, SECTION 15-350(B), APPROVE THE REQUEST FOR WAIVER TO ORANGE COUNTY CODE, CHAPTER 15, ARTICLE IX, SECTION 15-342(B) (TERMINAL PLATFORM SIZE), AND APPROVE THE REQUEST FOR VARIANCE TO CHAPTER 15, ARTICLE IX, SECTION 15-343(A) SIDE SETBACK, WITH A CONDITION THAT THE APPLICANT PAY \$681.00 TO THE CONSERVATION TRUST FUND FOR THE COLE DOCK CONSTRUCTION PERMIT #BD-17-06-065.



Attachments

Application for Boat Dock Waiver and Variance





District #1

Applicant: Glen Cole

Parcel IDs: 21-23-27-8132-10-030

Project Site



Property Location





APPLICATION TO CONSTRUCT A BOAT DOCK APPLICATION FOR WAIVER

(Pursuant to Orange County Code, Chapter 15, Article IX, Section 15-350(a)(2))

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	of Applicant/Agent Date: 6/2/17				
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APPLICATION TO CONSTRUCT A DOCK APPLICATION FOR VARIANCE

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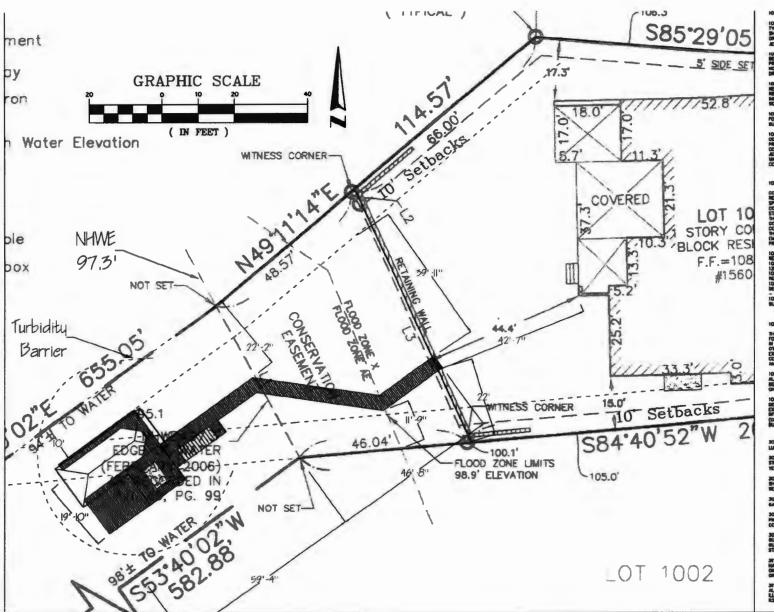


AFFECTED ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNER NOTARIZED STATEMENT OF NO OBJECTION TO BOAT DOCK

As required by Section 15-343 of Orange County Code, the Environmental Protection Officer shall send notices by certified mail to the owners of the shoreline properties abutting the property on which the proposed boat dock is to be located. In cases where the nature of the shoreline is such that additional property owners will be affected, the environmental protection officer may send notices to those property owners as well. In the alternative, the applicant, at his option, may supply notarized letters of no objection from each of the affected adjacent property owners.

The following is to be completed by the affected adjacent property owner as required by Section 15-343, Orange County Code.

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