MARCH 15, 2016 ZONING HEARING "OTHER BUSINESS" COMMISSION DISTRICT 2

ITEM OB-009

PURPOSE

To consider a stipulation amendment for Kathryn Stewart regarding rezoning application Z-22 of 2003 (Larry B. Thompson), for property located on the east side of Hood Road, north of Robinson Road, and at the end of Weddington Ridge in Land Lot 1032 of the 16th District.

BACKGROUND

The subject property is zoned R-15 as part of a larger subdivision that was rezoned in 2003. One of the zoning conditions stipulated a landscape plan that showed a six foot tall wooden fence along Hood Road. The six foot tall fence had been there for approximately a dozen years. The Cobb County Department of Transportation completed a road project that removed and relocated part of the fence on the applicant's property in order to achieve site distance for the adjoining RSL development. The fence was placed in a location that is two feet below the road grade causing the fence to be eight feet tall in lieu of six feet tall. This new eight foot fence provides the applicant with the same privacy the former six foot fence provided. Also, the applicant's property sits below the adjoining RSL development, and the applicant had a fence installed along the common property line. The applicant had the fence installed to be straight across instead of being built up and down with the topography. The fence ended up being six inches to tall, so the applicant would this fence height amended in the zoning conditions also. If approved, all other zoning stipulations would remain in effect.

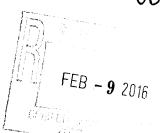
RECOMMENDATION

The Board of Commissioners conduct a Public Hearing and consider the proposed stipulation amendment.

ATTACHMENTS

Other Business Application and zoning stipulations.

Application for "Other Business"	08-009-2016
Cobb County, Georgia (Cobb County Zoning Division - 770-528-2035) FEB BOOMEaring Date R	1 2-15-16
Applicant: Kathryn Stewart	#: 770 265 8970
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My Commission Expires March 24, 2017 My commission expires	7 24 1
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Titleholder(s): Kuthryn Steward Phone #:	770 265 8970
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Commission District: 2 Zoning Case: Z	
Size of property in acres: 19004,2154 Original Date of He	aring:
Location: 2567 Weddington Rdg Marvetta (Hood Rd	, Roswell Rd, Robinson Rd)
(street address, if applicable; nearest intersection, etc.)	
Land Lot(s): 1632 District(s	s): 16th Section 2
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See Attached, KS	



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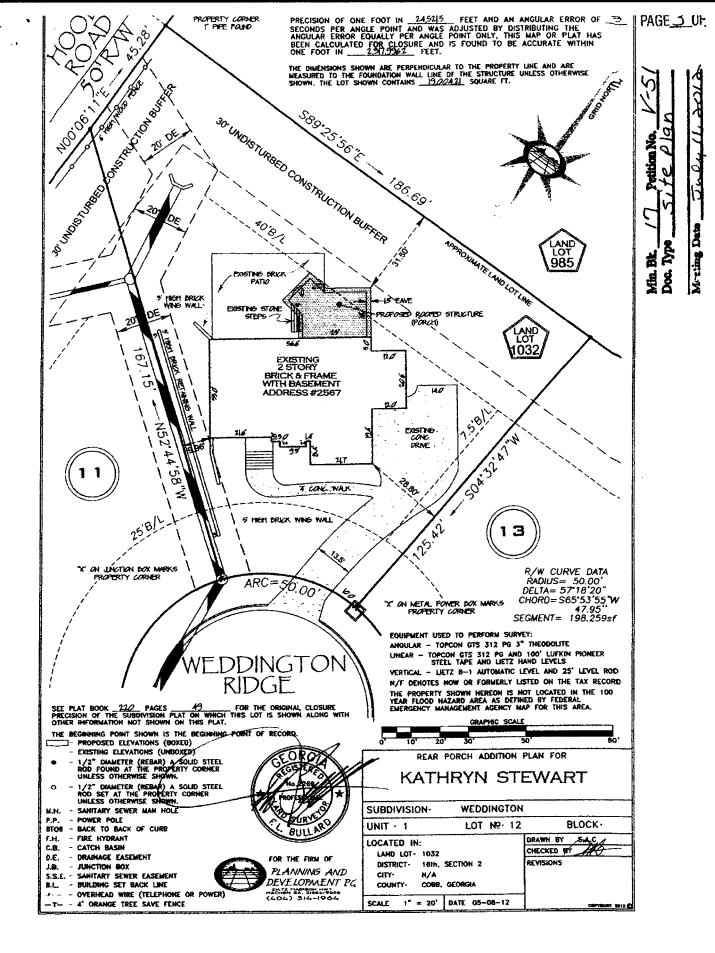
I am requesting approval to retain an 8 foot fence along the back of my property adjacent to Hood Road. I am also requesting approval to retain an 8' 6" foot fence along the back of my property adjacent to the private street Grey Village Way.

My property elevation is 3-6+ feet below both Hood and Grey Village Way. The vehicle headlights come into the back of my house at two points from the Greystone Village subdivision; at the entrance from Hood and the second street inside Greystone. The 8 foot fence eliminates this headlight problem.

When I hired the fence contractor to install the 8 foot fence along Grey Village Way, I requested for the top of the fence to be straight across instead of following the elevation. My intent was to make it more attractive for both me and the surrounding neighbors. Not realizing the outcome of my fence design resulted in some portions of the fence being 1-6 inches over 8 feet. I can correct this problem with 6 inches of fill on my side. The fence was installed 6-9 inches inside the property line. Greystone is not open to me adding fill on their side of the fence so I cannot correct this problem without financial hardship.

History: The fence on my property along Hood road is property of the HOA. It was originally approved for the Developer in 2005 as a 6 foot fence. In 2013, Cobb installed a new storm drain on Hood road and connected it to a drain on my property. Cobb buried the HOA fence when adding soil around the new storm drain. Then in 2015, Cobb took a line of sight easement from my property to accommodate the Greystone Village entrance. Cobb removed the HOA fence and paid me to replace it. I replaced it behind the easement line which dropped it further down the elevation. To avoid killing a 100 year old oak tree I chose to not add soil to elevate my property. I chose to add an 8 foot fence to solve the headlight problem. Now through code violations I am learning more about fence design.

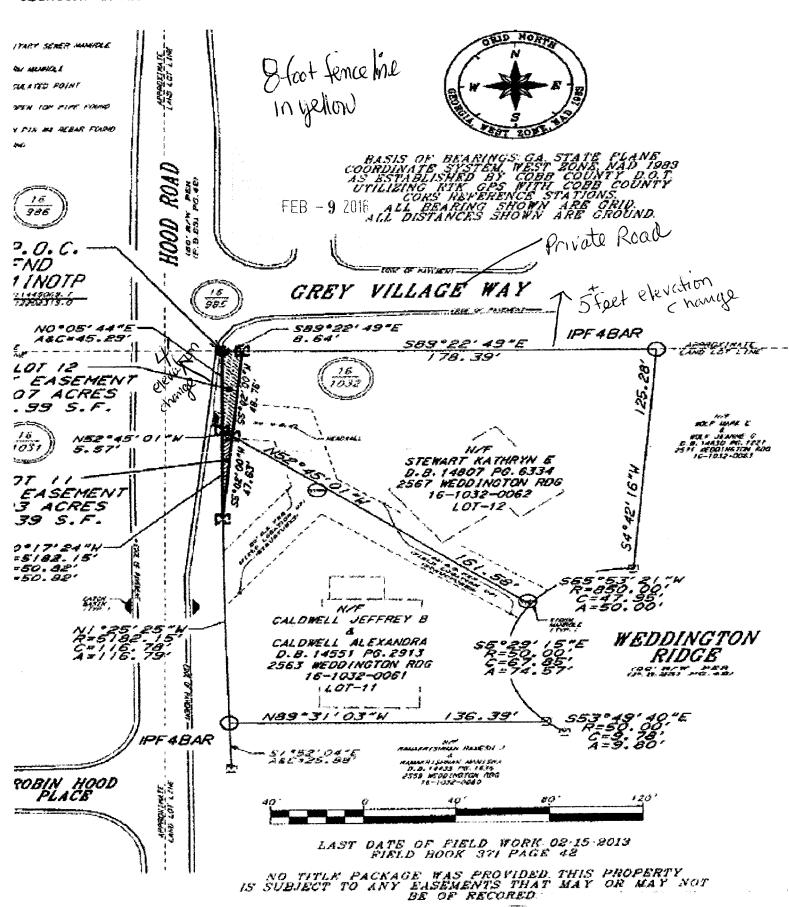
Attached: Pictures of the fence along Hood and Grey Village Way
Kathryn Stewart
2567 Weddington Ridge NE
Marietta GA 30068
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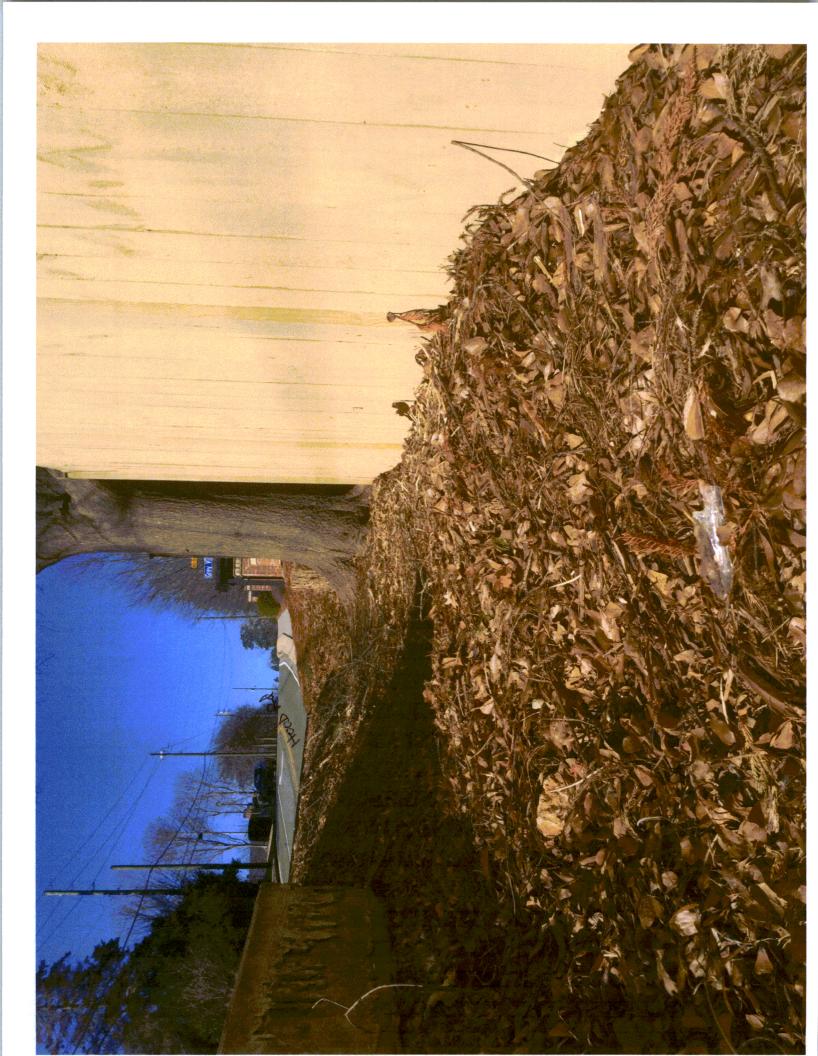
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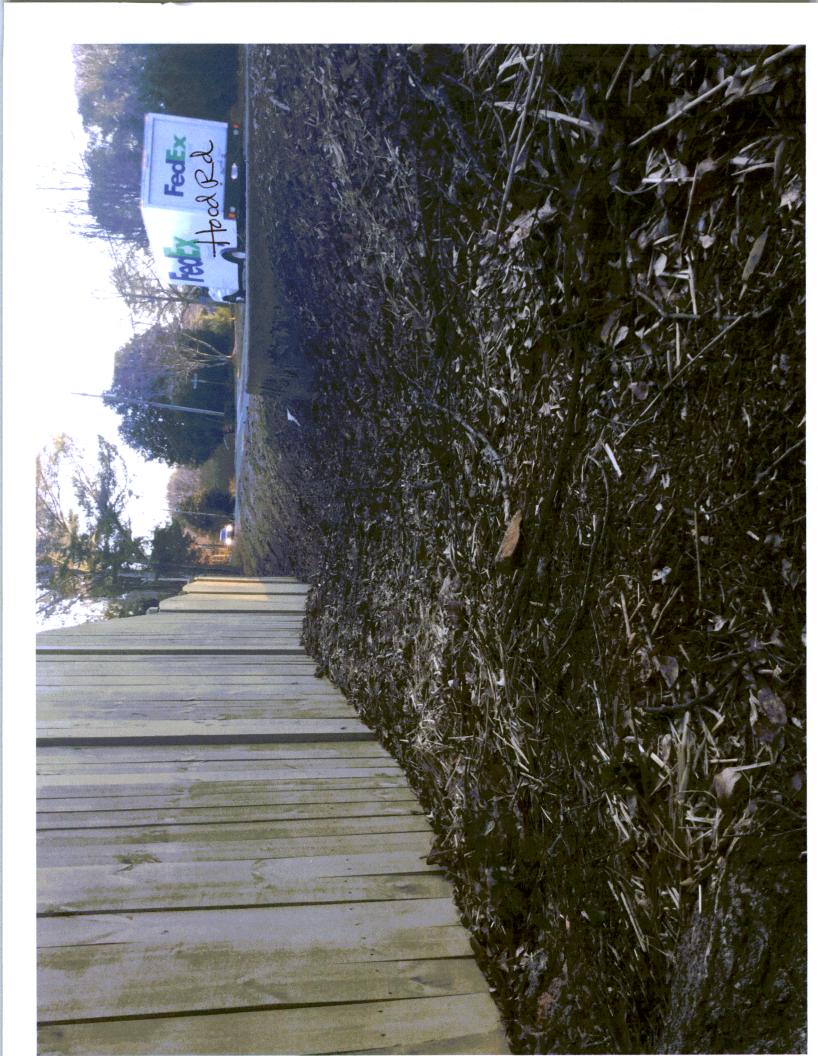
REFERENCES:

PLAT BY GASKINS SURVEYING AND ENGINEERING COMPANY, REGISTERED ENGINEER AND REGISTERED GA. LAND SURVEYOR ENTITLED "WEDDINGTON UNIT ONE" FORMERLY KNOWN AS: POBINSON VALLEY LOCATED IN LAND LOT 1032, 16TH DISTRICT, 2ND SECTION, COBB COUNTY, GEORGIA, DATED: NOVEMBER 5, 2004 (COBB COUNTY RECORDS, PLAT BOOK 231, PAGE 42)











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ORIGINAL DATE OF APPLICATION:	02-18-03	
APPLICANTS NAME:	LARRY B. THOMPSON	

THE FOLLOWING REPRESENTS THE FINAL DECISIONS OF THE COBB COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BOC DECISION OF 02-18-03 ZONING HEARING:

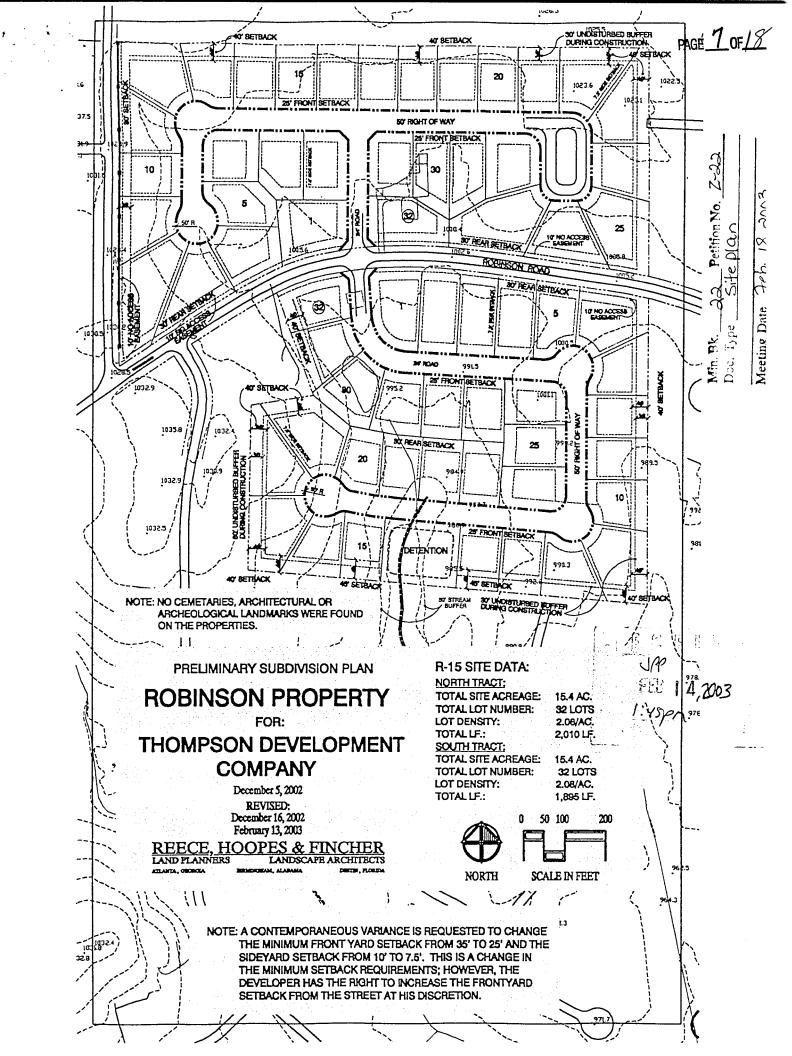
LARRY B. THOMPSON (Estate of Elayne G. Smith, owner) for Rezoning from **R-20** to **R-15** for the purpose of a Subdivision in Land Lot 1032 of the 16th District. Located at the northeast intersection of Hood Road and Robinson Road and on the south side of Robinson Road.

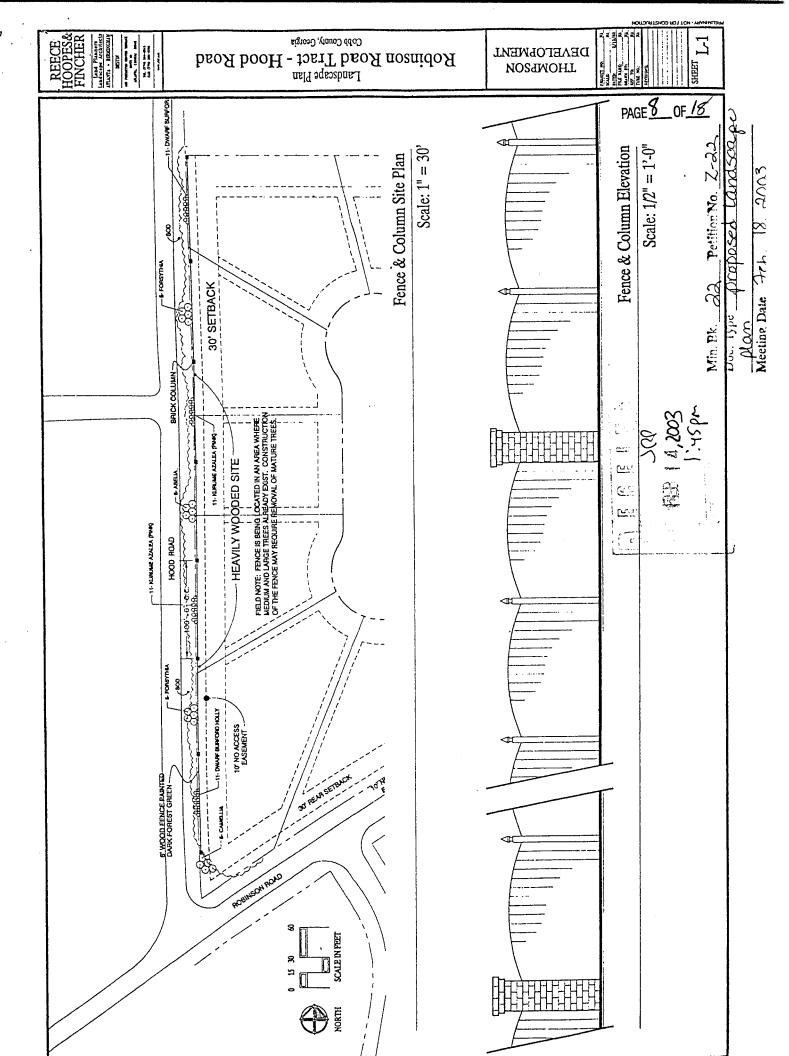
The public hearing was opened and Mr. Parks Huff, Mr. Lee Berman, Mr. Craig Harfood, and Mr. John Nash addressed the Board. Following presentation and discussion, the following motion was made:

MOTION: Motion by J. Thompson, second by Olens, to <u>approve</u> rezoning to the **R-15** zoning district subject to:

- site plan and proposed landscape plan dated February 13, 2003, with the District Commissioner approving any minor modifications (copy attached and made a part of these minutes)
- letter of agreeable stipulations from Mr. Parks Huff dated February 12, 2003, not otherwise in conflict (copy attached and made a part of these minutes), with the following additional paragraphs:
 - > 19. Homeowner Association will be responsible for maintenance of streetscape along Hood Road and Robinson Road to include mulch, grass cutting, fence maintenance, etc.
 - > 20. The developer will brick the foundations of houses along Hood Road.
- 40-foot rear setback on the lots North of Robinson Road with 30-foot undisturbed buffers; 45-foot rear setback on the lots South of Robinson Road, except for the 6 cul-de-sac lots which shall have 40-foot rear setbacks, with 30-foot undisturbed buffers; buffers applicable during the construction phase only
- Water and Sewer Division comments and recommendations
- Stormwater Management Division comments and recommendations
- Cobb DOT comments and recommendations, <u>except</u> the recommendation for "a center turn lane be constructed to mitigate traffic safety concerns."
- owner/developer to enter into a Development Agreement pursuant to O.C.G.A. 36-71-13 for dedication of system improvements to mitigate traffic concerns

VOTE: **ADOPTED** unanimously





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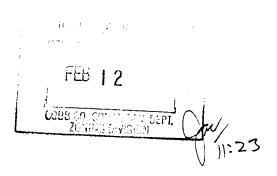
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DAVID P. HARTIN

February 12, 2003

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Mr. John P. Pederson, Planner III
Cobb County Community Development Department
Zoning Division
191 Lawrence Street
Suite 300
Marietta, GA 30060-1661



Re:

Rezoning Application for Larry B. Thompson to Rezone a 30± Acre Tract from R-20 to R-15 at the intersection of Hood Road and Robinson Road, 16th District, 2nd Section, Land Lot 1032, Cobb County Georgia. (Z-22)

Dear John:

The following is a compilation of the stipulations and agreement that are the result of a continuing dialogue with the neighborhood and County staff regarding the above-styled rezoning application. This letter supercedes the previous letters of agreeable stipulation dated January 22, 2003, January 29, 2003, February 3, 2003 and February 4, 2003.

- 1. The maximum number of lots are 64 creating a density of 2.08 units per acre.
- 2. Minimum house size of 2,100 square feet ranging up to 3,500 square feet.¹
- 3. Architectural style of the homes shall be traditional with a mixture of two-story homes and ranch homes depending on the market.

¹Price points for the subdivision are anticipated to exceed \$400,000.00.

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- 4. Each home shall have a minimum two-car garage.
- 5. The developer shall create a mandatory homeowners association and the Declaration of Covenants shall provide for the enforcement of architectural controls to insure the long term integrity of the neighborhood.
- 6. The submission of a landscape plan during the Plan Review process which shall include the following:
 - a. Sodded front yards.
 - b. The installation of underground utilities throughout the development.
 - c. Compliance with the Cobb County Tree Preservation & Replacement Ordinance, subject to the Arborist's review and approval.
 - d. The subdivision entrance sign shall be a ground-based, monument style sign consistent with the provisions of the Cobb County Sign Ordinance and incorporated into a street scape plan for the Robinson Road Corridor.
- 7. Implementation of a 30' undisturbed buffer around the perimeter of the subject property during the construction phase of the development.
- 8. The developer will protect mature trees whenever it is reasonable to do so. During construction, within the 30' undisturbed buffer, no trees will be removed with the exception of trees that must be removed for the implementation of utilities or for the removal of dead or diseased trees pursuant to the approval of the County Arborist. Where land is cleared for such utilities, the path for clearing shall be limited to the width required by Cobb County Development Regulations.
- 9. The applicant agrees to the following conditions related to the Department of Transportation:
 - a. Dedication of right-of-way on Robinson Road to achieve 30' from the center line of Robinson Road as it traverses through the subject property.

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- b. Installation of curb and gutter along Robinson Road as it traverses through the subject property and the implementation of sidewalks on the north side of Robinson Road.
- c. 150' deceleration lane with 50' taper for each entry along Robinson Road.
- d. Verification of proper sight distance for both entrances on Robinson Road.
- e. A no access easement along Hood Road and a stipulation that no driveway or curb cuts will be located on Hood Road.
- f. The installation of curb and gutter along Hood Road.
- g. The developer will allow a traffic mirror to be placed on the subject property directly across from Willow Ridge Drive as it accesses Robinson Road. The installation and maintenance of the traffic mirror shall be the responsibility of the Willow Ridge Subdivision.
- h. The developer will not agree to the installation of a center turn lane on Robinson Road as suggested by the Cobb County Department of Transportation.
- i. The streets in the development will not connect to the dead end streets in the adjoining subdivisions.
- 10. The developer shall provide a sewer stub to the edge of the property known as 956 Hood Road which is presently owned by Mr. Brown.
- 11. The developer recognizes that the community support is partially based upon his good reputation and he agrees that the property shall not be voluntarily sold to another developer and it is the developer's intention to maintain control of the development until the property is fully developed.

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- 12. Applicant shall comply with all of the recommendations of the Stormwater Management Division including the following:
 - a. An engineer will evaluate the impact of the proposed development on the down stream storm drainage system and certify that ameliorative measures will be implemented to insure that there is not a negative impact on the present down stream drainage conditions.
 - b. There shall be no increase in the peak run-off rate for all storms from two to one hundred year events in compliance with Cobb County Development Regulations.
 - c. The developer agrees to have a water management consulting engineer assess the conditions down stream to the four (4) properties in Willow Ridge Drive that the runoff creek runs between. The engineer will quantify the impact that the development's runoff will have and what, if anything, can and should be done to prepare for this impact. Neighbors will be provided a copy of the development runoff assessment and the supplemental down stream assessment.
 - d. For the properties along Princeton Mill Run that current experience water runoff that leads to a drainage culvert behind 743 and 741 Princeton Mill Run, the developer agrees to engineer the development of that area so that runoff to the affected properties will not increase as a result of the development.
 - e. The developer will design and install detention ponds to avoid creation of standing water in order to prevent stagnation and the breeding of mosquitos.
- 13. The developer will provide a fencing allowance to be held in escrow for the adjacent properties within the Willow Ridge Subdivision and the Princeton Mills Subdivision on the south side of Robinson Road. The allowance to be placed in escrow will be \$14.20 per lineal foot. This allowance can be used by the residents of the Willow Ridge Subdivision and Princeton Mills Subdivision that abut the subject property on the south side of Robinson Road for either the installation of fencing along the property line or the implementation of an enhanced landscaped buffer along this area. Any unused allowance will be released to the developer.

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- 14. The developer agrees to develop an attractive public street scape along both Robinson and Hood Roads. The street scape shall include a fence and landscaping on both the north and south side of Robinson Road and a sidewalk on the north side of Robinson Road. Along Hood Road, fencing and landscaping shall be installed. The developer will budget \$300,000.00 for the street scape improvements. The developer agrees to the creation of an architectural control committee with five (5) members as follows: Larry Thompson; a landscape architect chosen by the developer; a design engineer chosen by the developer; a representative of the Cobb County Zoning Department; and a representative of the East Cobb Civic Association. This architectural control committee shall review and approve the street scape plan for both Hood and Robinson Road.
- 15. The developer requests a concurrent front setback variance to allow a front setback of 25'. In exchange for this front setback variance, the developer will agree to a 40' rear setback, 30' of which is the previously described undisturbed buffer. Additionally, for the lots that back up to the Willow Ridge Subdivision, the developer agrees to a 45' rear setback except on cul-de-sac lots which will maintain the previously mentioned 40' rear setback.
- Outside of the previously mentioned non-disturbed buffer, the developer will require builders who purchase the individual lots to preserve as many mature trees as is reasonably possible and he will enforce this requirement as the developer of the subdivision.
- 17. The developer will provide a sufficient border or landscaping between the detention ponds and the adjacent properties in a way that is attractive to adjacent properties that view the detention pond. Additionally, the developer will attempt to locate the detention pond in the interior of the development instead of on the edge of the development.
- 18. In an effort to decrease the impact of the proposed development on the neighbors, the developer agrees to the following conditions:
 - a. The developer will provide dust abatement in accordance with Cobb County requirements.
 - b. The developer will require all builders to limit construction noise to the hours between 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

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c. All owners that will have their property disturbed by the developer in accessing the sewer and water easements will be contacted before any work is done on their property. Specifically, the residents at 736 Willow Ridge Court expect that their property may be impacted by the equipment that will be connecting the sewer line on or near their property and they shall receive notice prior to any work.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMS, LARKIN & HUFF, LLP

Parks F. Huff

PFH/jbmc

cc: Members, Cobb County Board of Commissioners - Via Hand Delivery

Ms. Sandra Richardson, Assistant County Clerk - Via Hand Delivery

Mr. John Nash, East Cobb Civic Association

Mr. Bob Ott, ECCA

Mr. Larry B. Thompson