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June 24, 2015

MEMORANDUM TO:

FROM:

Stafford County Planning Commission Jeffrey A. Harvey, AICP Director of Planning and Zoning

SUBJECT:

WAI-15150703; The Glens Waiver of Subdivision Ordinance Section 22-214

# ATTACHMENTS:

1. Location map

3. Applicant Letter to Director

2. Application

4. Current Street Sign in Subdivision

## ISSUE:

The Planning Commission is to consider an application for a waiver of the Subdivision Ordinance, Section 22-214, Street Identification and Traffic Safety Signs as requested by the developer, Augustine Land and Development, LLC.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Applicant/Owner:	John Snyder 100 Riverside Parkway, Suite 100 Fredericksburg, VA 22406
Date of Application:	May 5, 2015
Assessor's Parcel:	27-17
Location:	South side of Stefaniga Road, approximately 5,000 feet west of Mountain View Road
Size of Parcel:	646.5 acres
Zoning:	A-1, Agricultural
Number of Lots:	173 single-family homes



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Time Limit:	September 17, 2015	
Staff Project Manager:	LeAnn Ennis	
Election District:	Rock Hill	

### COMMENTS:

A waiver of the Subdivision Ordinance, Section 22-214, Street Identification and Traffic Safety Signs is being requested by the developer.

The original subdivision preliminary plan was approved by the Planning Commission in 2003 for a development of 173 single-family homes on public water and private sewer with lots that are a minimum of 3 acres in size. A waiver for street signage modification was never sought prior to the preliminary plan approval.

The developer installed street signs that currently do not meet the design standards required by Section 22-214 of the Subdivision Ordinance. The sign blades meet the requirements with the lettering, reflection and sizing. However, neither the post nor the brackets meet the requirements set by the County's Guideline for Street Sign Specifications.

The developer installed street signs (Attachment 4) in three of the sections of the neighborhood. The streets have been accepted by Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) for maintenance and do not meet the Street Sign Specifications details that were shown on the approved plans. Once streets are accepted by VDOT, the street signs are maintained by the County Department of Public Works, Transportation Section. The streets signs were not questioned by VDOT or County staff for their nonconformity. The remaining sections of the neighborhood met the County standards of brackets, post and sign blades as were shown on the approved plans. The homeowner association (HOA), Millstone at the Glens, requested the developer seek a waiver for the entire subdivision for consistency in the development.

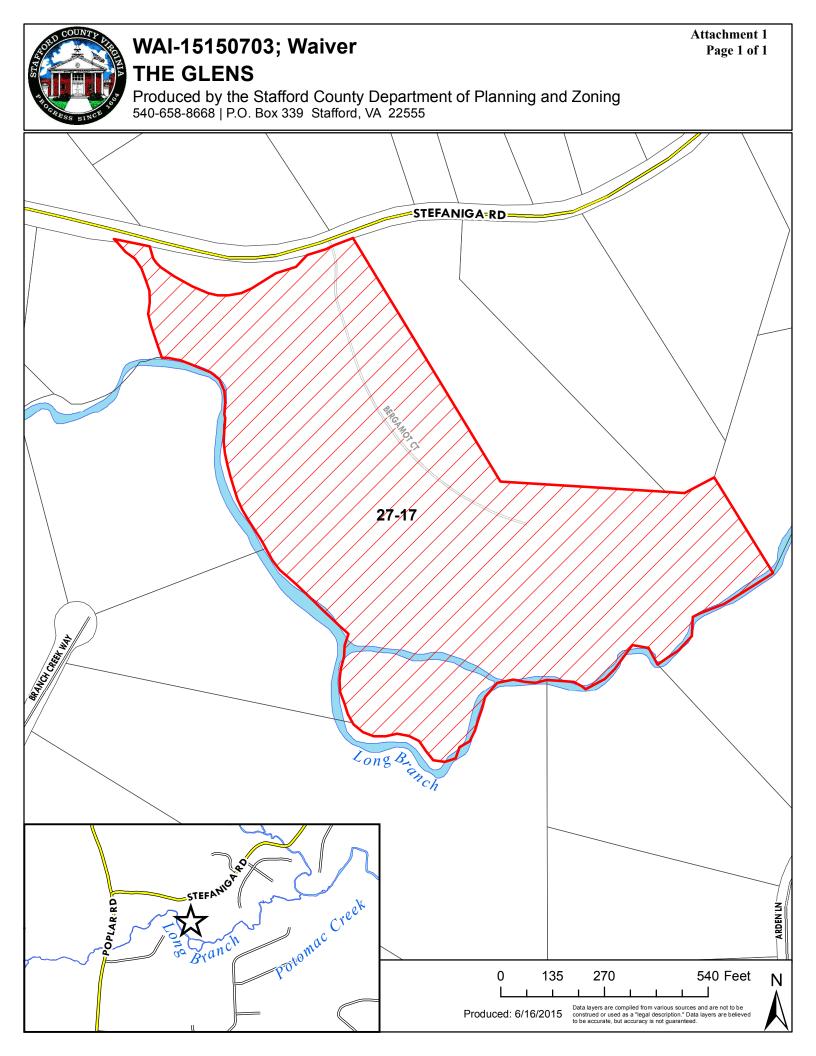
There are currently two HOAs within this subdivision, The Glens and Millstone at the Glens. The Glens is currently controlled by the developer, whereas the Millstone at the Glens is controlled by the homeowners. If a waiver is granted, the maintenance of the non-standard street signs, including the post, brackets and sign blades, will be the sole responsibility of both HOAs for the entire subdivision. The HOAs will be required to meet the current county requirement for the sign blades in the use of reflective material, size, and lettering. The County would not be responsible for the replacement of missing or damaged signage.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval for a waiver request of Section 22-214 of the Subdivision Ordinance for The Glens subdivision. Staff believes the request meets the requirements to grant a waiver pursuant to Section 22-241(a) of the Code. It is staff's opinion that requiring removal of the existing signs would not be reasonable. The proposal would not adversely impact the property owners of the subdivision or adjacent properties.

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Attachments (4)



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May 7, 2015

Ms. LeAnn Ennis Senior Planner, County of Stafford Department of Planning and Zoning P.O. Box 339 Stafford, Virginia 22555

### RE: Waiver

Dear Ms. Ennis:

This letter is to request a waiver from the subdivision ordinance to permit the installation of non-standard street signs in The Glens subdivision. As we discussed, this waiver is to correct an oversight as these signs have been installed and all bonds and escrows have been released.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$1,284.38 to cover the processing

Very truly yours, John S. Sayder

Enclosure



