

# BALDWIN COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT #2

REGULAR MEETING

AUGUST 14, 2025

BALDWIN COUNTY SATELLITE COURTHOUSE

FOLEY, AL

#### Variance Request

Lead Staff: Crystal Bates, Planning Technician II

• **Planning District:** 25

• **Zoned:** RSF-1 Single-Family District

Location: The subject property is located on west side Choctaw
Rd

• **PID:** 05-69-08-02-0-005-024.000

• **PPIN:** 20408

• **Acreage:** 0.15

Physical Address: Choctaw Rd

• **Applicant:** Dustin Blount - Heron Plume Construction LLC

Owner: Jacqueline Holder



#### Variance Request Summary and Recommendation

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The applicant is seeking a variance from Section 12.5.2 (f) as it pertains to the VE 50' setback from the reach of the mean high tide line in order to build a new single-family dwelling.

Staff recommends that ZVA25-29 be Approved.



### **Locator Map**

## **Site Map**





	Adjacent Zoning	Adjacent Land Use
North	RSF-1, Residential Single Family	Residential
South	RSF-1, Residential Single Family	Vacant
East	RSF-1, Residential Single Family	Residential
West	Bon Secour Bay	water body





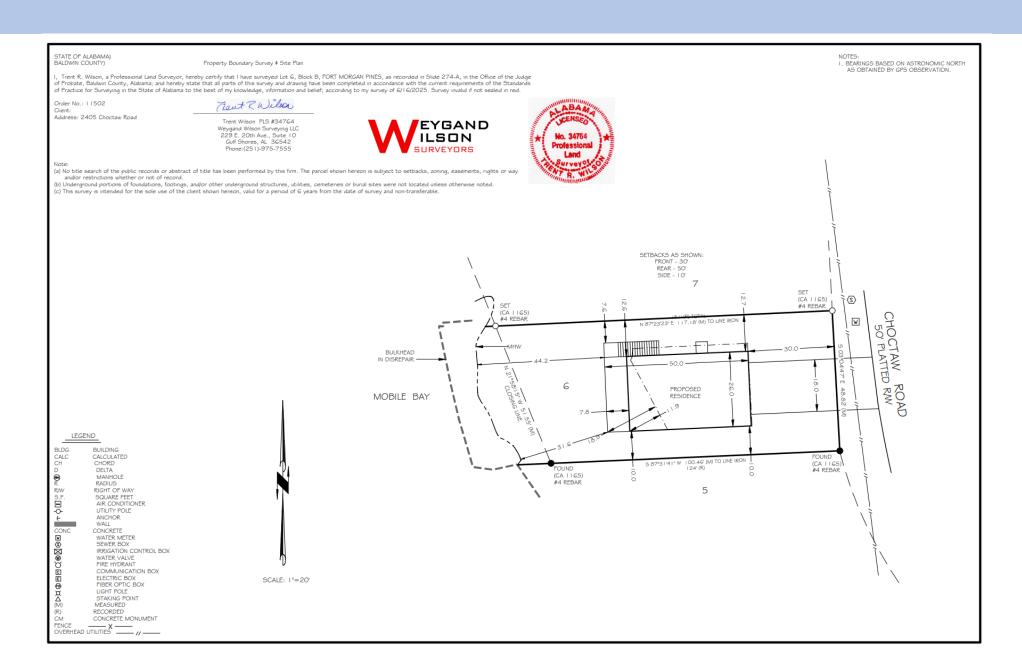




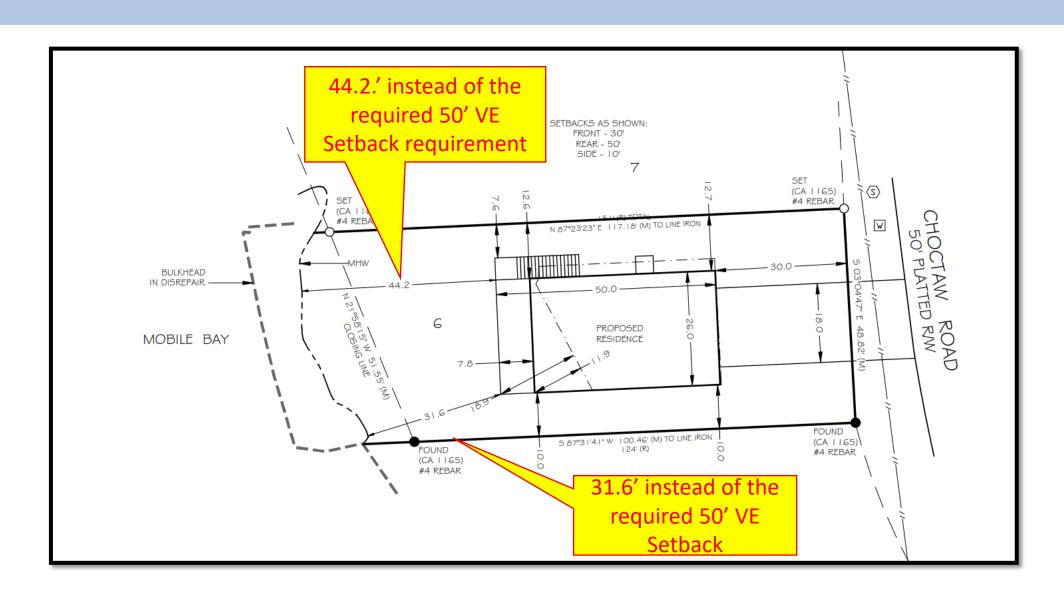




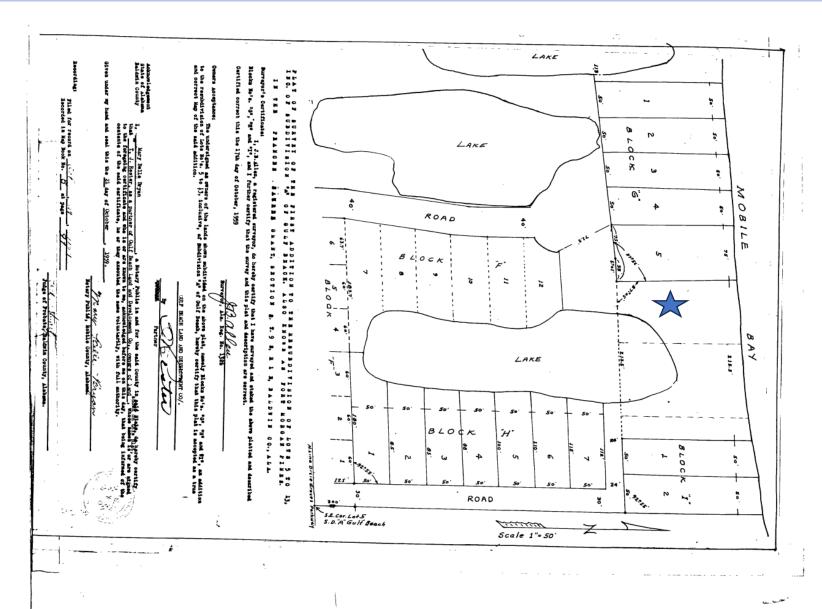
### **Site Plan**



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### **SUBDIVISION PLAT**



### **Zoning Requirements**

#### Section 12.5 Yard Requirements

12.5.1 Every part of a required yard or court shall be open from its lowest point to the sky unobstructed, except for the ordinary projection of sills, cornices, buttresses, ornamental features, chimneys, flues, and eaves, provided such projections shall not extend more than 2-feet beyond the yard area requirements. (For additional provisions see Section 22.2, Definitions "Accessory Structure" and "Structure")

12.5.2 Yard requirements shall be modified subject to the following conditions:

- (a) Through lots shall provide the required front yard on each street.
- (b) Decks and unroofed porches may project into a required front yard for a distance not to exceed 5-feet and a required rear yard not to exceed 10-feet.
- (c) Uncovered steps and handicap ramps may project into a required front, or side yard for a distance not to exceed 5-feet and a rear yard not to exceed 10-feet.
- (d) On a corner lot, the side yard from the side lot line which abuts a street shall be a minimum of 20-feet.
- (e) Where a subdivision has been approved by the Planning Commission in accordance with the *Baldwin County Subdivision Regulations* prior to the enacting of zoning ordinances with front, rear or side yard setbacks different than the minimums required herein, the setbacks as recorded on the plat shall apply.
- (f) All buildings or structures located within coastal high hazard areas (V-zones) shall be located 50-feet landward of the reach of the mean high tide.

## **Staff Analysis and Findings**

1.) Exceptional narrowness, shallowness or shape of a specific piece of property existing at the time of the enactment of these zoning regulations.

Zoning in Planning District 25 came into effect on November 16, 1993. The lot described is 50' x 151' IRR ft Lot 6 Fort Morgan Pines. It is 0.15 acres. The minimum lot size requirement for RSF-1, Residential Single-Family District, is 30,000 sf with a Minimum Lot Width at the Building Line of 100'.

Minimum lot size: **30, 000sf** Actual lot size: **7,550 +/- sf,** Minimum Lot width: **100',** Actual Lot Width: **50',** Hardship: YES

**2.) Exceptional topographic conditions or other extraordinary situations or conditions of a specific piece of property.**The subject property does not contain any jurisdictional wetlands. Therefore, staff could establish exceptional topographical conditions or other extraordinary situations, or conditions contained on the property that would require a variance.

## **Staff Analysis and Findings**

3.) The granting of the application is necessary for the preservation of a property right and not merely to serve as a convenience to the applicant or based solely upon economic loss.

The subject property is currently zoned RSF-1, a Residential single-family zone that allows for residential uses and accessory structures. The applicant's request is to construct a single-family home.

Staff believes that the granting of the application is necessary for the preservation of a property right and not merely to serve as a convenience to the applicant or based solely upon economic loss.

4.) The granting of this application will not impair an adequate supply of light and air to adjacent property or unreasonably increase the congestion in public streets, or increase the danger of fire, or imperil the public safety, or unreasonably diminish or impair established property values within the surrounding areas, or in any other respect impair the health, safety, comfort, morals, or general welfare of the inhabitants of Baldwin County.

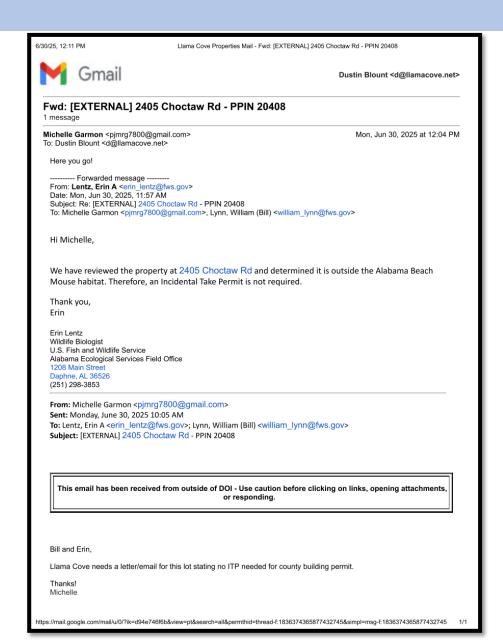
Staff does not believe the granting of this application, **in general**, will impair an adequate supply of light and air to adjacent property or unreasonably increase the congestion in public streets, or increase the danger of fire, or imperil the public safety, or unreasonably diminish or impair established property values within the surrounding areas or in any other respect impair the health, safety, comfort, morals, or general welfare of the inhabitants of Baldwin County. However, staff cannot specifically assure and makes no warranty or guarantee that if granted the resultant variance will or will not diminish or impair established property values within the surrounding areas, or in any other respect impair the health, safety, comfort, morals, or general welfare of the inhabitants of Baldwin County because the effect of the variance cannot be quantified at the time of consideration.

### **Staff Analysis and Findings**

#### 5.) Other matters which may be appropriate.

- The applicant has submitted a written document stating there is no active homeowner association for the subject property.
- No documentation in favor of or opposition to this variance request has been received at the time this staff report was written.

#### **US Fish & Wildlife Statement**



### **POA Statement**

To Whom it may concern,

There is no HOA or community organizations for the lot located at 2405 Choctaw Rd Gulf Shores, AL.

Signed

Jacqueline Holder

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Staff recommends that ZVA25-29 be Approved with the following conditions,

- 1. If approved, the variance is limited site plan as shown and provided herein.
- 2. This variance doesn't relieve the subject property of any other requirements of the Baldwin County Zoning Ordinance, Baldwin County Subdivision Regulations, Baldwin County Building Department (building permit), Baldwin County Highway Department (driveway permit, turnout permit, or licensing agreement), or requirements of other agencies.

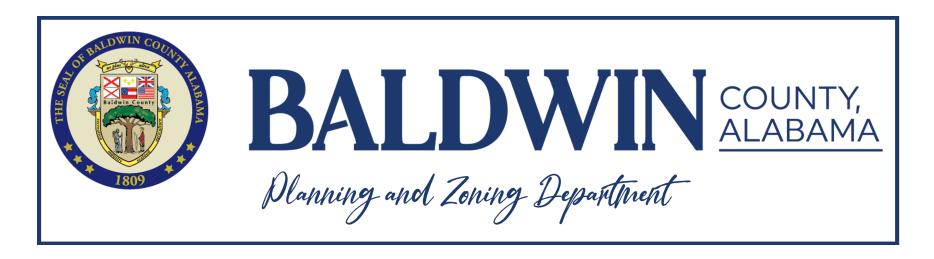
#### VARIANCE REQUEST SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATION

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#### **GENERAL NOTES {By-laws}**

Any party aggrieved by a final judgment or decision of the Board of Adjustment may within fifteen (15) days thereafter, appeal the final judgment to the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, by filing with the Circuit Court and the Board of Adjustment a written notice of appeal specifying the judgment or decision from which the appeal is taken. In case of such appeal, the Board of Adjustment shall cause a transcript of the proceedings and the action to be certified to the Court where the appeal is taken.

Whenever the Board imposes conditions with respect to a project or variance, such conditions must be stated in the Board Order and in the permit(s) issued, pursuant thereto by the Administrative Officer. Such permits shall remain valid only as long as conditions upon which it is granted, and the conditions imposed by the Zoning Ordinance are adhered to.



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NEXT REGULAR MEETING

SEPTEMBER 11, 2025 @ 4:00PM

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