

# BALDWIN COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT #2

REGULAR MEETING

OCTOBER 9, 2025

BALDWIN COUNTY SATELLITE COURTHOUSE

FOLEY, AL

### VARIANCE REQUEST

Lead Staff: Crystal Bates, Planning Technician II

• **Planning District:** 30

Zoned: RMF-6

 Location: The subject property is located on the south side of County Road 12

• **PID:** 05-61-05-16-0-001-010.002

• **Acreage:** 3.4 acres

Physical Address: 20524 County Road 12

• **Applicant:** Paul Shoenight

• Owner: Paul Shoenight



### Variance Request Summary and Recommendation

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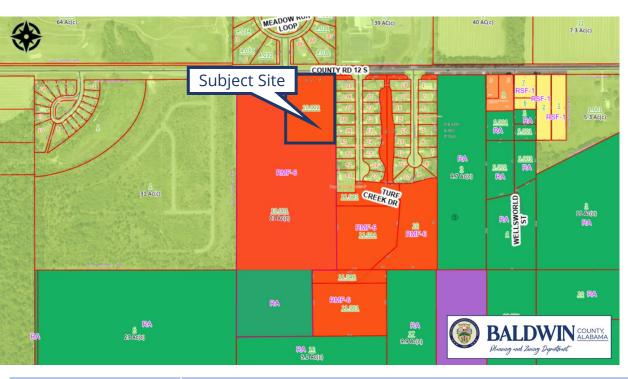
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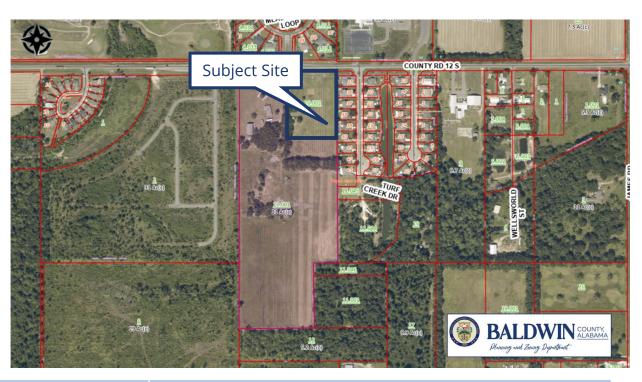
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## **Locator Map**

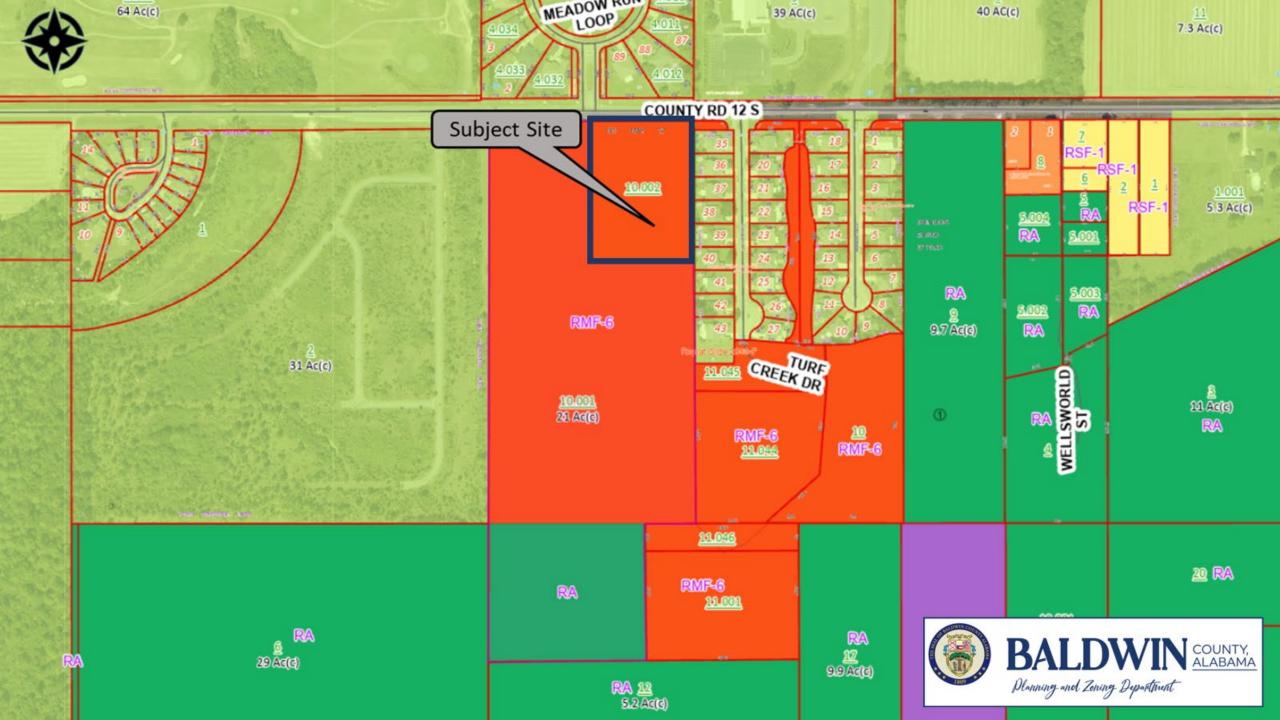
## **Site Map**





	Adjacent Zoning	Adjacent Land Use
North	City of Foley	Residential
South	RMF-6, Multi Family	Residential
East	City of Foley	Residential
West	RMF-6, Multi Family	Residential





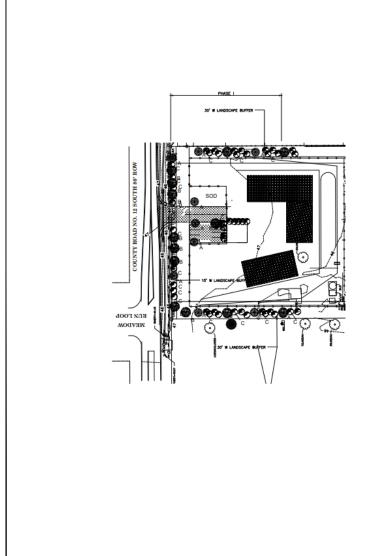




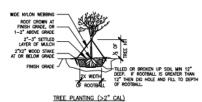


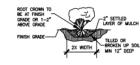


## **Site Plan**

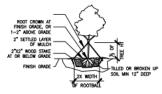








TYPICAL SHRUB AND ORNAMENTAL GRASS PLANTING



TREE PLANTING (<2" CAL)

#### LANDSCAPING REQUIREMENTS:

- 1. 30' BUFFER ALONG ZONED PROPERTY (EAST, WEST, SOUTH): PROVIDED: 30' WIDE PLANTING
- 2. 10' BUFFER ALONG FRONT (NORTH)- PROVIDED: 10' WIDE PLANTING

#### LANDSCAPING NOTES:

CANOPY TREE 8'MIN HEIGHT (SEE DESCRIPTION BELOW) (NEW)-50' OC

UNDERSTORY TREES 4'MIN HEIGHT (NEW) -50' OC



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- 1. EXISTING TREES ON SITE TO REMAIN UNLESS REMOVAL IS APPROVED BY OWNER.
- CANOPY TREES TO BE: OAK (EXCLUDING WATER & SCRUB), HICKORY, SYCAMORE, YELLOW POPULAR, SWEET GUM, MAGNOLIA, AND CYPRESS

UNDERSTORY TREES: DOGWOOD, CREPE MYRTLES, BRADFORD PEAR, RED BUD

 SCO TO BE INSTALLED AROUND BLOG PERIMETER 10" WIDE MINIMUM, OTHER CUT AND FILL SLOPES TO BE GRASSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALA DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION SPEC SECTION 852 & 880 IF NOT SHOWN TO BE SODDED.

#### GENERAL LANDSCAPE NOTE

- REFER TO C-001 COVER SHEET FOR GENERAL HOTES REFERENCING SURVEY INFORMATION, DATUMS, GENERAL PROJECT AND CONSTRUCTION
- NAMES OF PLANTS DESCRIBED ON THIS PLAN CONFORM TO THOSE GIVED IN "STANDARGISCED PLANT NAMES", 1942 EXTIDAL PREPARED BY THE AMERICAN JOINT COMMITTEE ON HOTTOLITARAL HOMENCLATURE, NAMES OF PLANT WHEREIS NOT INCLUDED THEREIN CONFERN TO INSMISS
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- The contractor shall be responsible for the final staking of these based on site conditions, to provide for the stability of the tree and materials and to protect the health and safety.

FOR PLANNING DEPARTMENT REVIEW





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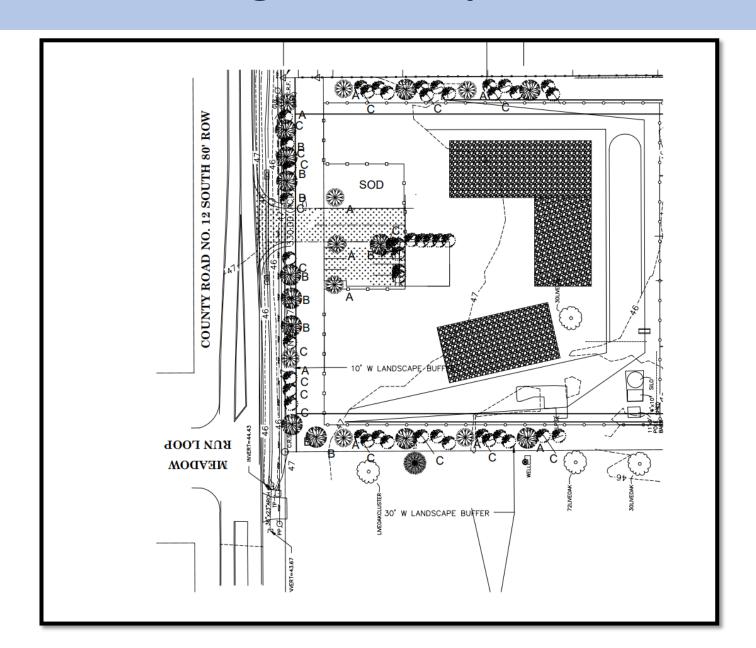
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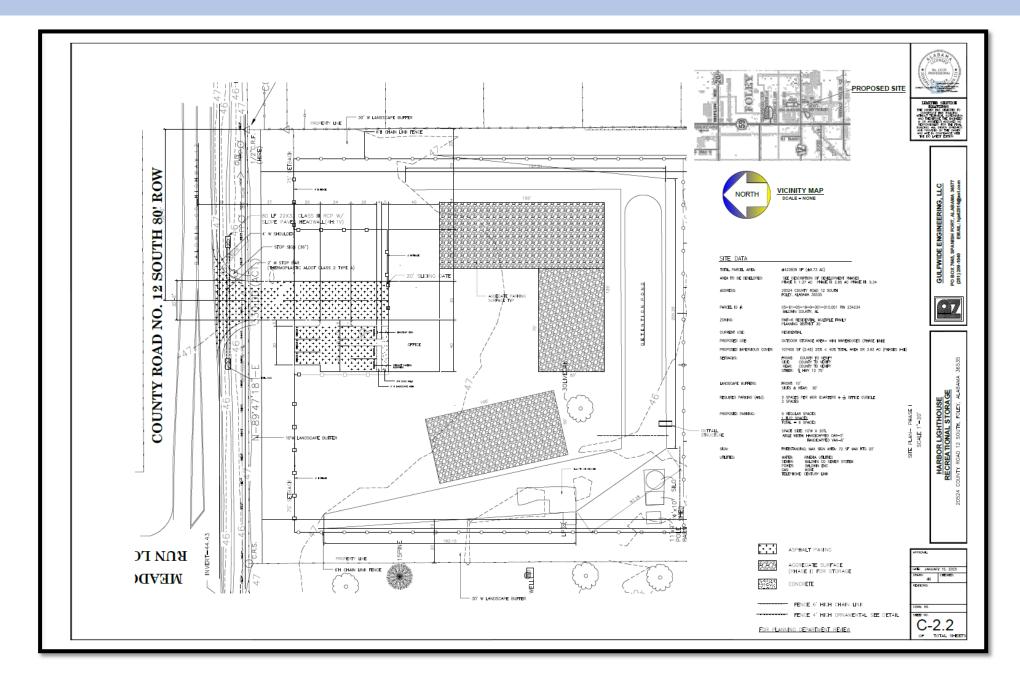
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## **Enlarged Landscape Plan**



## **Site Plan**



## **POA Statement**

Sorry, I completely misunderstood the question.

No, there is no HOA on this property.

Thank You,

Paul E Shoenight Jr.

9-13-2025

## **Zoning Requirements**

#### Section 13.14 Mini-Warehouses and Boat & RV Storage Facilities

13.14.1 Purpose. The purpose of this section is to establish minimum standards for mini-warehouse facilities, which include facilities for storing boats and recreational vehicles.

13.14.2 Procedures and standards.

- (a) Commission Site Plan Approval required. All mini-warehouse facilities are subject to the standards contained in this section and will be required to obtain a site plan approval prior to being granted a building permit.
- (b) Where permitted. Mini-warehouse facilities are permitted as follows:

Baldwin County Zoning Ordinance

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Commission Site Plan Approval – RR, Rural District, RA, Rural Agricultural District, RMF-6, Multiple Family District, HDR, High Density Residential District, B-1, Professional Business District, B-2, Neighborhood Business District, B-3, General Business District, B-4, Major Commercial District, M-1, Light Industrial District and M-2 General Industrial District,

- (c) Land area. The minimum land area of a mini-warehouse facility shall be three (3) acres.
- (d) Coverage. Building coverage shall not exceed forty (40) percent of the total lot area.

#### (e) Access.

- No mini-warehouse facility shall be located except with direct access to a paved county, state or federal highway, with a minimum lot width of not less than 50-feet for the portion used for entrance and exit.
- All storage spaces shall be served by an access driveway of 11-feet minimum width for each direction of travel. Access drives shall be improved with a suitable hard surface permanent type of pavement such as asphalt, concrete, gravel, limestone or another similar surface.
- (f) Buffering. In the event a mini-warehouse facility is located adjacent to residentially developed or zoned property, a landscaped buffer with a minimum width of 30-feet shall be provided. Said buffer shall consist of a combination of canopy trees, understory trees and shrubs which shall be of sufficient height to create a visual barrier.
- (g) Design and other requirements.
  - 1. Facades. Facades which are visible from a public right-of-way shall be constructed of masonry, wood or other materials which will present a pleasing appearance and which will be compatible with the surrounding area. Unless otherwise specified in Article 2, at a minimum, façade visible from the public right-of-way shall consist of an apron wall no less than one-third of the height of the building.
  - 2. Fencing. The entire site of a mini-warehouse facility shall be enclosed by security fencing. The minimum height for fencing, along the side and rear property lines, shall be eight (8) feet, for fencing constructed to the exterior of required buffers, or six (6) feet for fencing constructed to the interior of required buffers. Fencing shall be composed of materials designed for such use including masonry, iron, steel, chain link (painted or vinyl coated only), wood or a combination thereof. Fencing along the front of a mini-

## **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 30 came into effect on July 20, 1993. The lot described is 330 x 450 feet and is approximately 3.4 acres. The minimum lot size requirement for RMF-6, Multiple Family District, is 6,500sf, with a Minimum Lot Width at the Building Line of 60'.

Minimum lot size: 6,500sf, Actual lot size: 3.4 acres, 148,500sf, Minimum Lot width at building line: 30', Actual Lot Width: 330',

Hardship: No

2.) Exceptional topographic conditions or other extraordinary situations or conditions of a specific piece of property.

The property is relatively flat and doesn't contain any jurisdictional wetlands. Therefore, staff could not 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 purpose of this district is to offer opportunities for multi-family residential development and mini-warehouse facilities. These include facilities for storing boats and recreational vehicles and are permitted in RMF-6 zoning as long as a commission site plan approval is obtained. The applicant has expressed a preference to possibly reduce the 30-foot landscaped buffer on the rear side of the development that borders the remaining 21 acres, which they own and live on, which is also zoned RMF-6. There is an existing natural buffer further away from the development, on the adjacent parcel, and the owner would like to explore the possibility of obtaining a variance from the 30-foot buffer to potentially facilitate the continuation of phase 2 in the future. Staff believes that the granting of the application is not necessary for the preservation of a property right and 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.
- \* The applicant has been under review for a Commercial Site Plan permit.

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Staff recommends that ZVA25-48 be denied, unless information to the contrary is revealed at the public hearing.

If the board grants the variance request, staff recommends 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.

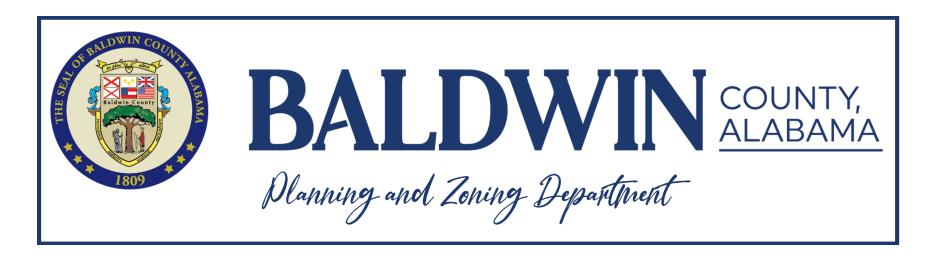
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#### **GENERAL NOTES {By-laws}**

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.



# BALDWIN COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT #2

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

NOVEMBER 13, 2025 @ 3:00PM

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