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RE:

WP-20-014 Hurricane Hill- Lots 1 & 2

Dear Sir/Madam:

The Director of the Department of Planning and Zoning considered your request for an alternative compliance from the Howard County Subdivision and Land Development Regulations.

As of the date of this letter, the Planning Director **approved** your request for an alternative compliance of **Section 16.144(g)**.

Approval is subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The deadline to submit F-18-013 plat originals is hereby extended. The F-18-013 final plat originals must be submitted to the Department of Planning and Zoning for signature and recordation within 60 days (on or before November 22, 2019).
- 2. Include the alternative compliance file number, description and decision as a general note on the F-18-013 plat and all subsequent site plans and/or plats.

Our decision was made based on the following:

Extraordinary Hardships or Practical Difficulties:

The property owner is currently working to submit the final plat originals to DPZ. The required wells have been installed, but the well completion reports have not been issued yet. Once the well completion reports are generated, the plat originals can be submitted for signature and recordation. The owner is not a developer and spends significant time outside of the country. If this request were denied, the owner would need to submit a new subdivision application and plans. The owner has invested significant time and money in preparation and processing of the current plans. This has included surveys, title research, percolation testing, engineering, payment of review fees, etc. The denial of this request would result in a significant financial hardship for the owner.

Not Detrimental to the Public Interest:

Approval of this alternative compliance request will not be detrimental to the public interest since it is only to extend the deadline date to submit the final plat originals to DPZ. The granting of this request will provide additional time for the owner to obtain the well completion reports and to submit the plat originals to DPZ for signature and recordation.

Will Not Nullify the Intent or Purpose of the Regulations:

Approval of this alternative compliance request will not nullify the intent or purpose of the regulations. There have been no substantial changes to the Regulations since the January 2018 approval letter. The subdivision plans have been reviewed and all technical requirements have been met. The approval of this alternative compliance request will allow the property owner additional time to submit the final plat originals to DPZ for signature and recordation in accordance with the regulations.

Indicate this alternative compliance petition file number, request, section of the regulations, action, conditions of approval and date as a note on the F-18-013 plat. This requested alternative compliance will remain valid for the time period specified in the conditions of approval.

If you have any questions, please contact Eric Buschman at (410) 313-2350 or email at buschman@howardcountymd.gov.

Sincerely,

Kent Sheubrooks, Chief

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