### SOLANO COUNTY ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

# Resource Management Staff Report Lot Line Adjustment LLA-15-03 Certificate of Compliance CC-15-05

Application: LLA-15-03/CC-15-05

Meeting of July 16, 2015

(Stone, Helmus, Ramirez)

Project Planner: Karen Avery

Agenda Item No. 1

#### **Project Description**

Request for Zoning Administrator approval to reconfigure property lines between 3 legal lots located in the A-20 zone. Access for the parcels is off Cantelow Road.

EXISTING ASSESSOR PARCELS:

Parcel	APN	Owner	Acreage (Net)
А	0105-070-490 & 0105-070-50	Stone	81.80
В	0105-100-110	Helmus	34.64
С	0105-070-470	Ramirez	26.13

PROPOSED PARCEL SIZE:

Parcel	APN	Owner	Acreage (Net)
Α	TBD	Stone	82.80
В	TBD	Helmus	40.00
С	TBD	Ramirez	20.47

**EXISTING LAND** 

USE:

Agricultural/Residential

**GENERAL PLAN:** 

Agriculture

ZONING:

Exclusive Agriculture (A-20)

**AGRICULTURAL** 

PRESERVE:

Not under Williamson Act contract.

#### SITE DESCRIPTION

The project consists of three legal parcels located off Cantelow Road in rural Vacaville. All of the parcels consist of rolling hills covered in grasses and scattered with a variety of trees. A small

creek meanders through Parcel C. Parcel A is vacant except for animal holding pens located just off Cantelow Road as Parcel A has been historically used for cattle grazing. Development on Parcel B consists of an 1800 square foot single family residence, with 800± square foot garage and a 1300± square foot metal barn. Parcel C is developed with a small gazebo and barn.

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proposed lot line adjustment will adjust the boundary lines between the three parcels. The proposal will increase Parcel A by one acre, increase Parcel B by 5.36 acres and decrease Parcel C by 5.66 acres. As indicated on the tentative Lot Line Adjustment map, the reconfiguration will result in the following lot sizes:

Parcel A = 82.80 acres Parcel B = 40.00 acres Parcel C = 20.47 acres

A 60 foot wide private access easement from Cantelow Road will continue to serve the reconfigured parcels. Domestic water well(s) and private septic systems would be required upon residential development for each of the parcels. No residential development is proposed as part of this lot line adjustment.

#### <u>ANALYSIS</u>

#### GENERAL PLAN and ZONING CONSISTENCY

Figure LU-1 of the Solano County General Plan designates the project site 'Agricultural'. As seen on the General Plan/Zoning Consistency table (Table LU-7, General Plan), the Exclusive Agricultural (A-20) zoning of the properties is consistent with the General Plan designation. The parcels are legal in terms of minimum parcel size. All existing structures on each of the two parcels will meet the minimum set back requirements for residential structures and accessory buildings within the Exclusive Agricultural (A-20) zoning district, upon approval of the proposed lot line adjustment.

#### SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE

The three lots are considered legal lots meaning each has met the Solano County Subdivision Ordinance and Subdivision Map Act requirements at the time each were created. The proposed lot line adjustment would not result in a greater nor lessor number of lots than originally existed.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION**

After review of the CEQA Guidelines, staff is recommending that the Zoning Administrator find that this lot line adjustment is a ministerial action and is therefore exempt from the provisions of CEQA per CEQA Section 21080 (b)(1).

#### SUGGESTED FINDINGS

1. The adjustment is consistent with applicable building ordinances and no conforming lot will be made nonconforming with applicable zoning requirements,

and the adjustment will not reduce the aggregate area of all affected lots which do not meet the minimum area requirements of their zoning designations, pursuant to Section 66412(d) of the Subdivision Map Act.

The project is consistent with applicable building ordinances and zoning requirements for the Exclusive Agricultural "A-20" zoning district.

2. Approval of the lot line adjustment will not create a greater number of parcels than originally existed.

Three existing parcels are involved in the lot line adjustment and no new parcels will be created.

3. A letter signed by the Solano County Tax Collector, stating that there are no liens against the properties or any part thereof for unpaid State, County, municipal or local taxes or special assessments collected as taxes, except taxes or special assessments not yet payable, and stating that security has been filed with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors for the estimated taxes which are a lien on the property but not yet payable for taxes and special assessments, and stating that security satisfy the requirements of Section 66493 of the Subdivision Map Act will be provided.

A signed Tax Collector's Certificate shall be obtained from the Tax Collector. This document shall be included with the Certificate of Compliance at the time of recordation.

#### SUGGESTED FINDINGS

4. The proposed lot line adjustment is a ministerial action and is therefore not subject to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 21080 (b) (1)].

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

After review of the information submitted, that the Zoning Administrator **APPROVE** the requested Lot Line Adjustment (LLA-15-03), subject to the following conditions of approval:

#### **CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL:**

- 1. The lot line adjustment shall be in substantial compliance with the map submitted with lot line adjustment application LLA-15-03, dated May 2015 prepared by Brad Foulk, received on May 8, 2015, on file with the Planning Services Division.
- 2. A Certificate of Compliance, demonstrating that the subject lot line has been adjusted according to the State of California Subdivision Map Act and County Subdivision Ordinance regulations, shall be recorded with the Solano County Recorder's Office within one (1) year of the tentative approval by the Zoning Administrator. In order to obtain a Certificate of Compliance from the Planning Division, submittal of additional documents is required. To initiate this step, written legal descriptions of the parcels as adjusted, prepared by a registered land surveyor or civil engineer licensed to survey in the State of California, shall be submitted to the Planning Services Division. Each page

of the legal description must be signed and sealed by the professional preparing the descriptions. Upon review and approval of the legal descriptions by the Planning Division, a Certificate of Compliance will be prepared and forwarded by the Planning Services Division to the Title Company/Escrow Officer identified on the Lot line Adjustment application, with instruction to the Title Company/Escrow Officer to prepare new grant deeds reflecting the property boundaries as adjusted.

In order to obtain a Certificate of Compliance package that is ready for recordation, the permittee shall submit the following documents to the Planning Division:

- a) Grant Deed(s) that convey the adjustment area(s) between the parcel owners.
- b) Any conveyance documents that may be required for the relocation and/or extensions of existing utilities and easements.
- c) A statement, certificate, or security indicating there are no liens against the properties for any unpaid taxes or special assessments. Property owners shall work with their representative title company and contact the Solano County Assessor's Mapping Department to initiate the 'Tax Certificate' process. Fees are collected by the Assessor's Office to begin this process.

Once all of the necessary documents have been submitted to the Planning Division, a Certificate of Compliance package will be prepared and transmitted to the applicant's title company with instruction for recordation with the Solano County Recorder, thus finalizing the Lot Line Adjustment process.

#### **Attachments:**

Exhibit A: Draft Resolution
Exhibit B: Assessor Parcel Map
Exhibit C: Lot Line Adjustment Map

## SOLANO COUNTY ZONING ADMINISTRATOR RESOLUTION NO. XX

WHEREAS, the Solano County Zoning Administrator has considered Lot Line Adjustment Application No. LLA-15-03 and Certificate of Compliance No. CC-15-05 of Stone, Helmus and Ramirez for an adjustment of property boundaries between three contiguous property owners. The property is located near 3771 Cantelow Road, 2.25 miles northwest of the City of Vacaville in an "A-20" Exclusive Agricultural Zoning District, APN's: 0105-070-490, 500; 0105-100-110; and 0105-070-470, and;

WHEREAS, said Zoning Administrator has reviewed the report of the Department of Resource Management and heard testimony relative to the subject application at the duly noticed public hearing held on July 16, 2015, and;

**WHEREAS**, after due consideration, the Zoning Administrator has made the following findings in regard to said proposal:

1. The adjustment is consistent with applicable building ordinances and no conforming lot will be made nonconforming with applicable zoning requirements, and the adjustment will not reduce the aggregate area of all affected lots which do not meet the minimum area requirements of their zoning designations, pursuant to Section 66412(d) of the Subdivision Map Act.

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4. The proposed lot line adjustment is a ministerial action and is therefore not subject to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 21080 (b) (1)].

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED,** that the Zoning Administrator has approved the lot line application subject to the following recommended conditions of approval:

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I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of the Solano County Zoning Administrator on July 16, 2015.

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