

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Alice Wakefield, Community Development Director

DATE: September 23, 2013

SUBJECT: Appeal of Section 2.1.6.A, Standard Construction Specifications -

1220 Oakhaven Drive

Request:

The applicant is appealing Section 2.1.6.A, Standard Construction Specifications to allow a second curb on a lot with less than 200 feet of frontage.

Background:

Mr. Jeff Lovell is appealing to Mayor and City Council to allow an additional driveway at 1220 Oakhaven Drive in the Brookfield West Subdivision. The City of Roswell Standard Construction Specifications (Section 2.1.6.A) states, in part, "When the property frontage is less than two hundred (200) feet, only one driveway shall be considered for approval." The subject property has only 150 feet of frontage. Mr. Lovell is seeking permission to complete this additional driveway. The home on the property was constructed in 1968 and has recently undergone external renovations including new siding and windows/doors. The requested driveway improvement will allow safe and adequate ingress and egress to this beautiful property. It will also provide space for parking, therefore keeping parked autos off of Oakhaven Drive.

City Code (Section 7.1.5) states that appeals to the standard construction specifications must be made to the mayor and city council. Mr. Lovell submitted a formal appeal on September 5, 2013.

Staff Comments:

Roswell Department of Transportation (RDOT):

Serge Osse of RDOT provided the following comments forward to the appellant:

The existing driveway has extremely poor sight distance due to landscaping from the adjacent neighbor to the west. Also, Mr. Osse did not notice any utility or sight distance conflict for the new curb cut.

RDOT supports this request for a new curb cut and recommend that Mr. Lovell use the existing driveway to get in only.

Attachments:

Appeal Letter Site Plan Aerial Site Map Utility Site Map Photos