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1	It's not always that you're asking for
2	something. That something is available, and the
3	Town is prepared to offer that with a good
4	solution, to offer that additional area or whatever
5	other compensation that there is.
6	FROM THE FLOOR: But the fallacy of
7	that is if we get to build the maximum within the
8	limits, regardless of how offensive it is.
9	THE CHAIRPERSON: Well, that was two
10	minutes. And so let's have a motion to
11	MS. PERKIS: I make a motion to
12	adjourn.
13	THE CHAIRPERSON: Motion to adjourn.
14	Second?
15	MR. WICHMANN: Second.
16	THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay. All in favor?
17	(Ayes were stated by all board
18	members.)
19	THE CHAIRPERSON: We are adjourned.
20	(The meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.)
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we --

MR. DENTON: Well, let me just -- because it's been brought up --

THE CHAIRPERSON: Two minutes, you've got two minutes.

MR. DENTON: The public views the ordinance from there is a minimum with the ability to get some more. The ordinance isn't really written that way. The ordinance is written to allow that maximum if you conform, as you said earlier, to that architectural standard that's higher than what would be in place if you met the minimum standard. So if everybody met the minimum standard, there would be no need for an architectural board, nor would there be the quality of projects that you see. So it's really a bit of a give and take.

We talk about the areas and all, you know. That lot can support a 4000 square foot house. By the ordinance, it can support a 4500 foot square house. And that's really what most people would be trying to achieve, if they had a program that required that amount of area. If I did a better job at designing, maybe they'd be happy.

money on architectural design.

The guidelines, the setbacks are what they are. That's a buildable lot, and it's a big buildable lot. And I understand a lot of money has been spent on this, and I understand that they want ocean views. But what I don't understand is why we're here discussing this if they didn't understand what the rules were and abide by those rules up front.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Just a quick explanation is that the applicants typically are asking for things that can be granted. Some --occasionally they'll make a mistake and ask for something that we cannot grant them. But every time they're here, they're asking for something that is possible to be allowed.

FROM THE FLOOR: Then they're not rules. They're quidelines.

THE CHAIRPERSON: You'll just have to read the ordinance, because it's outlined in the ordinance. It is very confusing. Trust me, we all have a lot of confusion with this ordinance. But they're not asking for something that we can't grant. But you see all the comments that generated. Anyway, any other questions before

that they're meeting the guidelines that are in there. So one guideline for this project is how high that eave height is from the base flood elevation. You bring it down, it brings down the mass. I think we can achieve that with the DRB. That's I think our first step is going through this process.

THE CHAIRPERSON: One more question or comment.

FROM THE FLOOR: We moved onto the island four and a half years ago. After a year or so, we asked to put in a pool. We were not given one inch of variance. So it's a spool now, because it's too small to be a pool. And that's fine. We made it work. And we understood what the guidelines were, and we abided by those guidelines.

This process, to me, seems like we know what the guidelines are, but we're going to do whatever we can to violate them and make an individual happy at the expense of the neighborhood. I guess what I'm -- and I know these plans are expensive. But what I don't understand is why, when somebody submits a building plan the board doesn't say, these are the guidelines, you need to stay within them before you spend a lot of

heated square footage coverages, something to do is hold a workshop and determine how we can best apply the two mechanisms for getting better designs.

So the idea is when you request an increase in heated square footage, as an example, then you should provide the better design by using, number one, the design guidelines that are in the ordinance, and also the standards for neighborhood compatibility.

So the question that we need to deal with is how do we get the applicants to show our board members that they're meeting those standards and meeting those guidelines? And so that's our first step. It's not making a text amendment to the zoning ordinance. I think our first strategy is to sit down and figure out how to change our application and our presentation materials to you all. And I think we have a lot of work, but I think we can achieve that in the next two workshops.

MS. PERKIS: And I think we're going to have a workshop on what neighborhood compatibility means.

MR. HENDERSON: And actually how the applicant needs to change their application to show

is putting you all in, and that's what I think needs to change. Thank you.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Thank you.

MS. PERKIS: Well, I agree with Rhonda. If you didn't ask for any variances, we wouldn't be here, and we wouldn't have to go through this. I mean, why can't we just build within our parameters?

MS. SANDERS: A lot of what's built is built within the parameters and we don't see and they're still big. So the issue needs to go to town council, planning, zoning.

FROM THE FLOOR: Surprise comment last month was that the board doesn't review everything. I thought that everything was reviewed. So I have a much greater understanding of how narrow --

THE CHAIRPERSON: The board reviews all historic properties, every one of them, anything that's done, and any non-historic property where they're granting -- where they're requesting some kind of relief from the ordinance, whether it's side setback relief or square footage relief.

MR. HENDERSON: I would like to add one more thing. The board has heard all these comments about how to apply the discretionary increases,

times now is because I've been to Station 20,
Station 20 and Middle, that's the future of
Sullivan's Island unless the ordinance is changed.

It is not fair at all for you to be weighing these -- making these decisions, and it's also not fair for people to be pitted against each other where you've got a neighbor that's planning, in my case three months ago, the guy down the street is going to be a neighbor of mine. I want to be a good neighbor, and I know he wants to be a good neighbor, and we're going at it over the size of his house. And it all has to do with the bonuses. That's really what we're talking about.

And I will tell you all again, that whole issue with bonuses was about bringing those houses down. It was not about adding square footage. But what invariably seems to happen, as hard as you all want to be, the builder that's proposing the house will bring in pictures of his family and his grandchildren and dog and tell you what a great guy -- because they're all great guys, all the boards they serve on, how much they're looking forward to living there. Like Ron said, you can't just build this house without this extra 450 square feet. That's the dilemma that the town

does not come before us.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Thank you. Yes.

MS. SANDERS: I appreciate everything you all are saying, and we're listening to you all. That's why I'm so hard-headed about certain things. But we don't make these -- we're following a code, and we're supposed to follow certain standards. We don't set them. We don't -- I don't know what the percentage of what gets built, huge or not, that

So we are not responsible for everything that goes up. And a lot of times we think things get changed after they're approved.

But I highly recommend, and I'm glad you are getting more interested, please go to town council.

Go to the planning meetings and -- the one the other week, that's the vision. That's what's being set for the next 25 years. We're just little pions trying to do what they tell us.

MR. WINCHESTER: Can I make one more comment?

THE CHAIRPERSON: Yes, go ahead. Sure. Why not.

MR. WINCHESTER: You're exactly right about the vision and where we're going. And I will tell you the reason I've been here a couple of

a custom lot, I think you guys understand the whole vision for the island. And I just think as a board, it's important for you to also have a vision, too, in your mind about what the future of our community looks like.

And I feel like sometimes when we paint one picture here, one picture there, okay, we approve you, but we don't approve you, I think it's important for the board to understand where they want us to go. And so like if some of us were not here, you could say, well, how does this fit into the kind of community we want this to be in 25 years. And I just -- I'm sure you're doing that. But I just wanted to say, you know, we've put a lot of faith that every time you guys meet, that these are your concerns, that you have a vision.

So, you know, you can drive down in your golf cart or car, and you're just like, I do not understand how that ever got approved. I do not understand that. And I just think it's really important for you to understand when whoever takes a board seat, they need to understand or have a vision of what we are -- not what we're going to look at in one month, but what we're going to look at in 25 years. That's my comment.

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FROM THE FLOOR: Is there a follow-up from this meeting that when he comes back with another drawing to you guys, does another sign go up in his yard, and we have to come back? MR. HENDERSON: That's right. the plans, and the application goes out on the website. MR. SCHUTTE: Joe, you've been incredibly responsive, and I appreciate it even this week. But I strongly disagree that a little sign posted 14 days in advance is adequate notice. Nobody scans the website on a regular basis. the case of the properties near us, people cancel, last minute vacations, all kinds of things to meet what was essentially a big surprise. I know that's not your decision to set the time frames and all of

MR. HENDERSON: And that gets back to the submittal deadline a month before the meeting.

that, but I really disagree that it's adequate.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay. One more comment? Yes.

FROM THE FLOOR: One more comment, and that is, I am a new resident to the island. We are full-time. But one thing that I just want to put out there to the board is that with every lot being

part of your neighbor's property, if you were going to do something, a registered letter was sent out to all neighbors, even if it was five acres away or whatever away, and you have to get -- you notify them of anything that's going on. It's a registered letter that's sent out by the town.

MR. HENDERSON: I've heard of notifications being sent out. But it's not a registered letter. So in other jurisdictions, other cities, if you have an annexation into the town, so you're going -- annexing from the county into the city limits, then the state requirement is to -- I believe it's maybe 2 miles or maybe a mile that you have to send the letter out. It's not registered.

State law requires that you post the property, and the town zoning ordinance actually goes above and beyond the notification requirements in that we post it on the website. We post the properties.

So the Town of Sullivan's Island is doing a good job at notifying the public when these board and commissions will take up a matter. Now, the zoning ordinance could always be changed to require that a letter be sent out.

reach out to their neighbors. However, we can't 1 require it. 2 MR. SCHUTTE: I understand. My request 3 to the board is, if it's clear that nobody has done 4 that, my advice would be absolutely not, no way, 5 just based on that principle. 6 MR. HENDERSON: There is no way for us 7 to either confirm or deny whether a project manager 8 or a property owner has reached out to all of the 9 neighbors or one of the neighbors. It's just 10 administratively impossible for us to know if they 11 take that step. We can always recommend. 12 That is routinely what MR. WICHMANN: 13 we do ask the applicant. 14 MS. SCHUTTE: You asked tonight. 15 Right. And I can't MR. WICHMANN: 16 think of an exception where we have not asked an 17 applicant --18 MR. SCHUTTE: Then my answer for that 19 applicant is no, and it's clearly no in this case 20 and numerous others that I've seen. 21 THE CHAIRPERSON: There was one other 22 comment. You had a comment? 23 FROM THE FLOOR: I just want to say 24 from where we moved, any property that touched any 25

I don't know if those rules and procedures are set
by the Town. I sent a very --

MR. HENDERSON: It is, yes.

MR. SCHUTTE: I mean, I sent a letter to the mayor, to the members of the town council, and each of you were supposed to get a copy reflecting the whole procedure and recommendations. I can't tell whether anyone ever got it or not. I can re-send it. But I think there is a chance to make this much less contentious and a lot more neighborly, but it's going to take some adjusting.

THE CHAIRPERSON: You know, and the board has been discussing this recently, and that might be a process that we add to our last, Joe, that we're going to be discussing as a full board in an upcoming meeting.

MR. HENDERSON: I mean, reaching out when a project --

THE CHAIRPERSON: Reaching out when you're applying for increases, reach out to the neighbors first.

MR. HENDERSON: Absolutely. And Town staff always recommends that. You know, that goes back to Ken Proust when he was zoning administer. Randy Robinson and I always recommend that people

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ordinances about lots that are not cleared on the island or taken care of? I've had a conversation with Joe.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Well, I would have to defer to the Town.

FROM THE FLOOR: He said there is no rules on the island, though, and you all don't go to the architectural review to keep everything -- I was just wondering.

 $$\operatorname{MR}.$$ HENDERSON: That falls outside of their purview.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Yeah, it really isn't an architectural issue.

Okay. Any other questions? Comments?

MR. SCHUTTE: I'm so sorry. The

gentleman behind me just mentioned, and I forgot to
say this. You know, the people are going to come
anyway. They're going to build. But it's really,
really miserable to start out when you have an
adversarial situation, and it's not fun to come
here and oppose things. None of us like it. None
of us want to do it.

The notice is way too short. Fourteen days' notice for a sign out in the yard is impossible to clarify and understand those issues.

little opposition.

I'm just amazed, even the comments that this house made. I mean, I understand that's what the client needs. Everybody needs something.

Everybody needs a pool. Everybody needs to see the ocean. Everybody needs to accommodate four or five kids. It may not be that that lot is the lot for you. Those were the comments that were almost verbatim for the lot next to us. Well, the client needs this, the client needs that, with zero attempt to talk to the neighbors.

So, you know, I'm hoping that you all will in the future, as you have tonight, weigh that incredibly strongly, and I think you have a chance to maybe help calm down some of the angst and encourage people to just be more neighborly and not live in such silos. I mean, the buildings look at silos. The attitude is very silo-ish, and it's making it incredibly increasingly unattractive to be here, to be honest. Thank you.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Thank you. Any other comments?

FROM THE FLOOR: I have a question.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Sure.

FROM THE FLOOR: Are there any rules or

We're currently -- and not that it's just about us -- but we're currently in between two people who have asked for significant variances or done things without significant variances. This last week, a 60-plus-foot tree was taken down without any request for a permit. The lot's leveled, you know, 3 or 4 feet. The lot next to us is 2928, is going to be built out in the marsh to be compliant with our neighborhoods who on the left are 5 feet from the marsh and others who are out, we would expect that you all give us a variance to elevate our lot and move 15 feet out into the marsh. Then we would be in line with everybody.

But we shouldn't even have to be here discussing these things. I think Rhonda made a comment last month, just follow the rules, and you won't even have to come here. It is shocking to me that there aren't any general approval rules. I've done a past project on Jasper, you know, the request not to raise the thing and to build within the -- you know, the golf cart shed, not withstood, I mean, the whole thing is going to make the island -- that part of the island more attractive. I have never seen a less attractive building from the Jasper side. And that's why there was so

Town of Sullivans Island In Re: Design Review Board is a big problem. And when I can't get through and 84 1 the mail truck can't get through, we have a big 2 problem at my end of the island. 3 4 So when you all consider all these big structures coming, think about us that have lived 5 out there all these years, and we are flooding out. 6 And thank you for listening to me. 7 8 THE CHAIRPERSON: Thank you. Does anyone else have any general public input? 9 10 MR. SCHUTTE: I'm Dale Schutte. I've been here for about 25 years, and most of my 11 12

comments reflect the issues over the last few I think one thing is I've noticed that the months. issues on the island become increasingly more contentious. The last election was miserable. level of spite and angst over whatever the issues is really incredibly unattractive.

I appreciate a lot of the comments I heard tonight. I especially appreciate Ron's comments. My request is that you all really strongly consider the way people go about things, because even if you approve something that fits variances and nobody has talked to the neighbors, that creates angst and spite, as you said lasts forever.

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and little.

I have to tell you, I'm listening to you all and listen to you preserve this wonderful island, and it is paradise. But I am landlocked at two lanes, at 28 1/2 and Station 29, and he's talking about the drainage. I cannot get out.

I've already had one of my cars, the headlights gone going through the water. And it's an SUV.

My mother who is here who is 93 lives under my house, and that's my fault. She's grandfathered in many, many years ago. We paid a lot of insurance so she doesn't have to go to a nursing home. But that's not the point. That is my problem, not the board's.

I now have three sump pumps because of the flooding. Hugo flooded us. The hundred year flood flooded us. But every time it rains, I am flooded.

Now, I talked to somebody at NOAA, and they told me it's because of all this big construction going on. And I think everybody should be able to build on the beach what they want to live in and to preserve the island. I am not here for any complaint on construction. You all are doing a good job with that. But the drainage

1	THE CHAIRPERSON: Do you want to	
2	restate that just so Joe	
3	MR. COISH: I think that I said if Ron	
4	takes what the board has the board's concerns	
5	about the project and tweaks or modifies the design	
6	to try to bring back a new interpretation of what	
7	we may like concerning drainage and neighborhood	
8	compatibility and, most importantly, discussing it	
9	with the neighbors, work together on it.	
10	MR. WICHMANN: Would we consider that a	
11	deferral or	
12	MR. HENDERSON: So the next application	
13	made would be for conceptual review and approval.	
14	I just want to clarify.	
15	THE CHAIRPERSON: I think that would be	
16	correct.	
17	MR. HENDERSON: Okay.	
18	THE CHAIRPERSON: And so we have a	
19	second. Do we have any questions or comments? All	
20	in favor of the motion, say aye.	
21	(Ayes were stated by all board	
22	members.)	
23	THE CHAIRPERSON: Any opposed?	
24	Okay. And do I hear a motion to	
25	adjourn?	

1	have?
2	MR. COISH: I say discuss with the
3	neighbors, most importantly, and work together on
4	it. Put yourself in their shoes, and they'll help
5	you create something that we will love. I've been
6	involved in a couple of projects on the island over
7	the years where the big house has gone in and
8	totally ruined people's lives, and nothing good
9	comes of it. Had they talked to their neighbors
10	and worked something out, it would have been a lot
11	nicer.
12	THE CHAIRPERSON: So does anyone want
13	to make a motion?
14	MR. COISH: I make a motion that you
15	take all the comments that we've given tonight and
16	come back with something that is a new
17	interpretation of what we're asking.
18	MS. SANDERS: Second.
19	THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay. Any discussion
20	about that motion?
21	MR. HENDERSON: Is that conceptual
22	approval?
23	THE CHAIRPERSON: I don't think I heard
24	an approval in that.
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MR. HENDERSON:

Just for comment.

drainage. The impervious surface does. You've already got a very strict limitation on the quantity impervious surface in your ordinance, stronger than any other community. You know, we were well within those requirements, even with the increased area. So what I don't want to see happen is the board think that the additional 400 square feet of house is greater going to impact the drainage of the property.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Ron, I think we do understand that.

MR. DENTON: Okay.

THE CHAIRPERSON: And just take what you're hearing from the board and go back and see what you can do. I think you're going to have, with the current design, even though the house, it sits right in the middle of the lot. I see that. You're off of most of the setbacks with all the vertical components of the home. However, it just -- it's a bit severe and vertical. And I know why you're vertical. You want to get up and see the view. I think we all get that. So just take these comments and go visit the neighbors before you come back. I would say that's a great idea.

So are there any other questions you

MR. DENTON: Can I make one more comment just in general?

THE CHAIRPERSON: Sure.

MR. DENTON: I'm a planning commissioner on the Isle of Palms, and we're dealing with drainage issues as well. And the same question comes up about drainage plans. And on the Isle of Palms, they're part of the NPDES, whatever that standards for. It's still requiring drainage plans for new construction. I commend that.

My concern, and I'm not sure how well it's going to be resolved, since you're solving the problem on a 10,000 square foot piece of property, there is a drainage outlet at the corner, a culvert. Our obligation would be to get the water there. It's not our obligation to take it from there to the outfall. We're finding that same problem on the Isle of Palms. It's not a very easy thing to solve. There is -- I would develop a drainage plan anyway, just from my own viability standpoint as a designer. But where does that water go? That's a bigger problem and a bigger question.

The size of the house is not necessarily appending or increasing the quantity of

happened, people were tired of seeing such tall vertical structures, and the ordinance was adjusted to require that setback or to require the porches. It may be that it needs the porches so that you can achieve what you want on the interior.

I think you've heard some very perceptive comments about the house, that front facade. It looks more urban. It just doesn't necessarily look like it's a part of the neighborhood. That's just my comment.

MR. DENTON: That's helpful.

THE CHAIRPERSON: As far as -- if there were more of an overhang on these roofs, that might stop your eye from just continuing straight up.

Something like that, I think, could be helpful.

But I think -- and just so that you know, you've heard comments from the town, and we have too. And so you've got to show us -- if you want additional square footage or relief, you've got to show us why we feel comfortable granting that. And I don't think we see it yet. Not that we can't; therefore, your request. But it's going to take some work. It's just not -- you're just hearing from us some comments. And hopefully you can take that and get where you need to be with the design.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Thank you. Well,

I'll give you my thoughts as well. And, again, I

don't think you should -- don't feel singled out,

because there have been many times where someone

has come in to ask for relief. These aren't

variances, but we're talking about relief. And

they've had to go back and address it and go talk

to their neighbors and show -- you know, go work on

that and come in with approvals from your neighbors

will make this process go a lot better. But as

everyone is saying, we're hearing this -- you've

heard a lot of people expressing some concerns,

various concerns.

I look at the house, and I'm looking at that bottom right-hand version right here that you see, or you see on the screen, and it just looks disconnected from the ground. It looks like a house that's up too high. It's like there is -- no design has occurred from the first floor down to the ground. Whether it's just some kind of design or something that will grab that house would make it more appealing.

I look at those -- that front right corner of the house, and I see vertical walls. And that's exactly why this board is here. That

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But it related to this issue, the size of homes and discretionary increases by the DRB, so I sent it to you all.

MS. SANDERS: The public is stamping their feet. They're tired of it. So draw something that you don't have to come see us, please.

MR. DENTON: Well, we have to because of the area. We can solve these other problems. We just can't really get over the square footage.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Beverly?

MS. BOHAN: I agree with what has been said, without being redundant. I think the one thing that is the main thing is that when there is this much public comment and letters and stand-up objection, I think that this board and this town needs to listen. And I think that there can be a way to give both the homeowner and -- you know, the front elevation, you know, the tweaking of the stairs, as an interior designer, I can see possibly some areas in the interior spaces that could be massaged and give you what might be pleasing and livable good square footage, a view of the particular living environment that you're after. Ι think that a study is needed.

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really the island would really want to have in there.

MR. WICHMANN: Right. Well, thank you for that. And I appreciate the fact that you've removed the -- I think you called it the Juliet porch or Rapunzel or whatever. And that's great. I do think that -- on a personal level, I think I'd be inclined to grant it. But I do think the front elevation -- and, again, I know the pictures aren't always exactly -- you know, the renderings don't always match what happens in real life. But I think that certainly the front elevation might need some tweaking if it can be. Those are my comments.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Thank you. Rhonda?

MS. SANDERS: I agree. I think the stairs should be reworked, and I'm not really sure that I would agree with the variance on the front setback and the side second floor setback, mainly because we've had I don't know how many neighbors stand up and not like it so much because they're right next to them, and also because we've seen -- Joe, did we not get a couple of more letters e-mailed?

MR. HENDERSON: We had a letter specifically addressed to the planning commission.

carrot is, you do a nice building, you might be able to get some relief.

And so we thought we designed a really nice house that deserved -- was worthy of a very small carrot in the front yard setback, a very small carrot for not having -- it would be a compliant balcony to the side, but I don't think it would be as successful. We can study that front elevation, certainly.

But the client has needs, and who are we to judge what their needs are. They have certain requirements, a number of bedrooms, certain requirements for living areas, sleeping areas. You know, so we worked that area. I mean, that area has -- we had a larger house. We never quite ever had a smaller house. But basically if we would have been able to take that 400 square feet out of the house, basically we wouldn't be here today.

So that's the biggest nut of them all, so to speak. But it's also driven -- that need for that square footage has driven the fact the house looks as good as it does today. There could have been shortcuts and far more of a milk toast approach and a more bland house that would meet the ordinance, but it would not be something that

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     to do is give you a lifeline, because I think
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     you're hearing that that is a big concern, not only
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                 MR. DENTON:
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     Everybody has a right to want what they want in a
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almost every day, and they're very accessible. And this is what -- they can help you answer these questions. A lot of people, this is a big concern all over the island. But let's -- now that we've heard your comments, Joe, let's see if anybody on board has any questions or comments. Ron?

MR. COISH: My main concern is the drainage. And it's getting bad, worse all the time. So a lot of roof on the island, and almost too much roof. And where is the water going? We don't know. Do I want to see a plan? Definitely. That's, to me, the biggest issue.

And, secondly, I don't see where the house would need to be increased in square footage.

And, thirdly, I do agree with possibly studying to change the front of the house, because it is kind of a -- when I look at it, it just -- just something about it that -- you did a beautiful job on the plans and the presentation. But the front of the house just seems like it's too -- too narrow. It kind of wants to suck me up the stairs instead of a nice walk up the stairs. Those are my concerns.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Thank you. Bunky?

MR. WICHMANN: Yeah, I reflect a lot of

1	MR. HENDERSON: Yes.
2	FROM THE FLOOR: Can you tell me where
3	on that end of the island you can possibly drain
4	water?
5	MR. HENDERSON: We haven't seen the
6	plan yet, but the engineer will tell us that.
7	FROM THE FLOOR: Okay. But can you
8	tell me where, can an engineer tell me where on
9	that end of the island you can possibly drain
10	water?
11	MR. HENDERSON: They'll have to.
12	They'll have to show us.
13	FROM THE FLOOR: Because it drains up.
14	THE CHAIRPERSON: Well, you know, what
15	you might want to do, I invite you guys
16	MR. HENDERSON: I can pull up my GIS,
17	and we can look at the data and look at the
18	infrastructure in that area
19	THE CHAIRPERSON: Excuse me,
20	everybody. Excuse me.
21	FROM THE FLOOR: I would like to see
22	that
23	THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay. One second.
24	One second. I invite you guys to go talk to Joe,
25	because that's what they're here for. They're here

to address one of the concerns from the public. The question was stormwater management.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Exactly.

MR. HENDERSON: So the town recently incorporated the new regulation that requires all development, any adding of impervious surface of over 625 square feet has to develop a stormwater management plan. They will have to do that for this property and will have to be certified by an engineer or a landscape architect before we issue permits.

FROM THE FLOOR: And what is the objective of this --

MR. HENDERSON: So the stormwater management plan is required to be implemented on any given site so that it doesn't adversely impact any adjacent property or any property downstream. So that's why an engineer has to stamp it and certify it as the professional. And when it's presented to Town staff, we usually get that plan and make sure they've implemented best management practices. And we have an engineer that the town works with to certify that it will work.

FROM THE FLOOR: So is it a drainage

plan?

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1	the standards of the zoning ordinance as described
2	in the section that I referenced. The wall of the
3	third story can't exceed 50 percent of the area
4	outside of the roof structure. So it has to be
5	essentially 50 percent of the third story has to be
6	hidden by the roof.
7	FROM THE FLOOR: Is that the case?
8	MR. HENDERSON: It wasn't when this
9	application was submitted. But this is a
10	conceptual review. The board hasn't had a chance
11	to review and make comments. The staff hasn't
12	had you know, we haven't had all of our concerns
13	addressed. So we still have some work to do on
14	this.
15	FROM THE FLOOR: My only point is, if
16	it's not a third floor, then we can call it
17	whatever we want, but I think it's a third floor.
18	MR. HENDERSON: It's a third floor as
19	it is today.
20	THE CHAIRPERSON: Any other comments?
21	Okay. The public comment session is
22	closed.
23	So, Joe, do you have any other
24	comments?
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MR. HENDERSON:

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before. I apologize to you all for that. Please, let -- nothing that I want to say tonight is meant to offend anybody, particularly the board members. You are extremely professional. I am not here to preach, teach, lecture, anything like that. If it comes across like that, I apologize to you up front. Same with Ron Denton, who I've known for 20 years, a primo architect, almost 20 years in the Low Country.

But this house -- and I've walked up and down Brownell a couple of times in the last few days trying to figure out what is compatible about this proposed house in that neighborhood. And I look at -- walking up and down Brownell, I do not see many houses that are built setback to setback to setback to setback. I don't see many with this mass and this scope. What I see are yards. Don't see a lot of pools. I think the builder -- totally believe in property rights. The builder ought to be able to build what they want here, but not as a matter of getting variances for neighborhood compatibility, extra square footage for neighborhood compatibility. As a matter of fact, I would argue the house, to be made more compatible, we'd be reducing its square footage, not adding

People are talking about drainage. But one thing that I don't feel like has been much consideration is the front that faces Brownell. I find -- I think it's in the bottom middle. And I just feel like this was mentioned, like there has been a lot of talk about all the elevations and how it looks.

I'm confused. If Brownell looks like where they come in from the front door, it feels like the front of the property is -- it's very flat to me. I feel like a lot of consideration -- it seems like a lot has been made on the 29, Station 29 view, and even where it backs up to their neighbor. But I feel like the actual front of the property doesn't really have a lot of character. It has a bump-out on the porch. But I don't really feel like it has any character.

I feel -- just as has been mentioned here before, a lot of consideration has been made for making views of the ocean, and it isn't an ocean viewing property. I feel like one face of that entire place has been -- I feel like the front of the house has been left wanting.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Thank you.

MR. WINCHESTER: John Winchester, 2720

Brooks Street. Unfortunately, I have been here

But, to me, it seems like one major thing ought to be asked before anything is considered, and that is have you talked to the neighbors. I really -- this kind of reminds me of the Jim Carey movie where he's got the guy who is in prison time after time, and finally he asks his advice, and he says, well, stop breaking the law.

I mean, the whole thing seems very chaotic to me. I don't know why any exemption would be considered if it wasn't supported by the neighbors. Again, I don't know this property. I don't know the builders. I don't know the owners. But to me it would be important to know and hopefully important for the board to know what the neighbors think. And if there has been some reasonable attempt, not just to maximum the master bedroom size or maximize the ocean views of a non-oceanfront lot or to maximize the man cave or whatever, but where does it fit with the neighbors? THE CHAIRPERSON: Thank you. Is there

MS. ANDERSON: My name is Syndra (ph) Anderson, and I live at 2870 Brownell, and this is my first time as well. And in just looking on the plans, the only thing -- I have a lot of concerns.

any other public comment? Go ahead.

what the setbacks are, and the house, I understand, is being designed for the aesthetics and the views of the ocean and things of that. It should also be designed to conform to code, without setbacks, those are known, and without asking for additional square footage because of the concern for flooding.

So two things. Number one, I'd like to understand the drainage plan, because, again, very significant flooding problems on that end of the island, and we're covering a large mega pond now. Number two, I think that house can be designed within the existing parameters and setbacks and requirements. For example, the front step coming into the setback on Brownell rather than going straight out can have two pieces come off to the side. I'm not an architect, but that seemed fairly obvious to me. So I'll leave it at that.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Thank you. Is there any other public comment? Yes.

MR. SCHUTTE: I have no association with this lot at all, and I have had no association with this process until, unfortunately, the last few months. Probably I'll save more of my comments where there is a session at the end where you ask for public comments about the whole process.

neighborhood compatibility and may also cause future flooding to the adjacent property. We have seen these problems arise more frequently with the allowance of too many variances.

Please take note of this each time you are considering unnecessary variances. Also, it is important to leave more space in between each home for wind and storm purposes. Thank each of you for your time and your sincere consideration of these important issues facing us as a community. Sincerely, Adele Tobin.

Okay. Now, is there any additional public comment? Yes.

MR. MILLIMET: I'm Scott Millimet, 2902 Brownell. This is my first experience at one of these meetings, so forgive me if I'm not following protocol.

As that e-mail mentioned, drainage is a big problem in that part of -- on that part of the island. So first of all, I'd like to understand, is there a drainage plan around this large home, number one.

Number two, this lot has been in the family for, I understand, a period of time is my understanding. And so there should be knowledge of

sides that are exposed easily to the public,
Ms. Perkis' side, in all those cases, the wall is
less than 50 percent above the roof line. The only
time it really is not is on this side, the eastern
side, and a small portion of the southern side.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Thank you. So now is the public comment session. And, Joe, we received an e-mail. Should I read that out loud, do you think?

MR. HENDERSON: Sure, yeah, that would be fine. I believe it pertains to this request.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Right. This is from Adele Tobin. The subject is variances for proposed home at 2877 Brownell. To all the board members of the DRB: I was hoping to attend the meeting on Wednesday evening but have a conflict. So I'm sending this e-mail to each of you instead. It is in regards to the new home to be built at 2877 Brownell.

I understand that they are requesting a variance of 450 square feet. In my opinion, this is unnecessary given the square footage that is already allowed. Adding an extra 450 square feet will completely infringe on the house that is already standing next door. This goes against

show that.

noticed them.

MR. HENDERSON: Which elevation -MR. DENTON: Well, here you start to

see a little bit of the parapet as it turns the corner. The elevation just prior to that probably shows that parapet just off the master bedroom and man cave area that we had just previously discussed that does not have a balcony. So we feel that it fits within the character of the house. It's kind of a modified Charleston appearance. Parapets are very common in that architectural theme. So our feeling is that it's a successful interpretation of a means to disguise a roof deck. Many roof decks are in that neighborhood. Of course, all not in sight, but in the cherry picker, we certainly

Finally we had talked -- Joe had mentioned the 50 percent rule, third story penetrations past the roof. If you have -- he'll have to explain. If you have a third floor, it can't be more -- the wall area, you can't have more than 50 percent of the wall area above the roof. That last drawing that I sent to you kind of shows a depiction on all four sides that would show the percentage of the wall above the roof. And in all

mind, is more of a landing that could access a roof deck that is not a -- that ceiling height is 5' 4". It's really more of a landing to that stair. That door is not 6' 8". It's not really a real door, not a legal door. We did carry that landing around the perimeter of that clerestory, primarily so we can clean windows. It could go away, we may with a landing at the top of the stair. But it does provide an access way on to a rooftop.

That rooftop deck area, we thought we were designing a concealed deck situation. And this is a true perspective as you see it from the ground. If we can go to an elevation, perhaps, you can see, on most sides, you would not be able to see the roof deck on the east side. We do have a portion that is parapeted so that kind of fits with the character of the house. We could do a hip roof and disguise it that way. We thought parapet was a little bit more successful.

MR. HENDERSON: Is this the rendering you're looking for?

MR. DENTON: No, that's talking about the 50 percent. I was talking more about the roof deck and how we're kind of just hiding it from the street. So the 29th Avenue or east elevation would

let that happen. I'm sorry.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay, Ron.

MR. DENTON: So then, finally, a comment that Joe brought up had to do with third story, and we had a short discussion about that today. And we had labeled something as the third story. We don't truly have a third story. But what we do have, and you see in that section, is a stair element. Call it a tower, if you will. There are stairs that ascend from the ground up. And in order to allow natural light to filter into the staircase, we have a lantern, if you will, clerestory going around the perimeter, the upper part of the stair.

To be honest, architecturally, it solves a lot of problems for me because we have a confligation -- we've got a bunch of roofs coming in together, and they will not meet cleanly. So having a horizontal built form to intercept those roof ridges, one -- well, it does two things. It ceases to create a roof problem, but also provides natural light into the staircase like we have here, which would be a great element to flow down the first two floors.

We did add -- the top floor, in our

1	MR. DENTON: This portion.
2	MR. HENDERSON: So if you look at the
3	rendering, this is what reflects what Ron needs as
4	far as relief, and that would be
5	MR. DENTON: This portion here on the
6	front Brownell side elevation.
7	MR. HENDERSON: So the intent of that
8	regulation is to reduce the massing of structures
9	on the Brownell side. So it's to require
10	structures to be built in a way to keep that
11	massing from being so imposing on the front. I
12	just wanted to point that out.
13	FROM THE FLOOR: Is it possible to turn
14	this at an angle so we can understand what you're
15	saying?
16	MR. DENTON: You'd like to see this?
17	You know, another way that you can beat
18	the ordinance is to put a hip roof there. There
19	really are hip roofs elsewhere on the project and
20	don't feel like that, again, is a strong
21	THE CHAIRPERSON: Hold on a second.
22	Let's make sure we just have one person talking at
23	a time.
24	MR. HENDERSON: I'm sorry.
25	MR. DENTON: I probably should not have

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MR. DENTON:

front facade setback, if you look at the --

programatically for the clients. We could in a sense take away that undulated front facade, but that also, I think, is contradictory to what the intent of the ordinance is trying to achieve. We feel strongly that the house conforms truly to the intent of what the ordinance is asking us to do, which is to break up the house, not have a big, old rectangular box, but to have something with character, interest, undulating facades, porches, decks, which leads us to the second -- the 2 foot setback on the facade. And the one that I was aware of is over here.

These are both the master bedroom and the man cave. Both kind of require that we maintain the width because those are two important rooms. And because of the -- that side already encompassing a series of decks, we thought adding another deck up here that would allow us to not have to set back that second floor kind of became onerous and too busy and, we feel, less successful. But we did draw it to show you. And if you like that, I'll walk it by you real quick so you can take a look. I didn't know you'd all be so far away.

But, anyhow, you can see on this side

So we have asked for a couple of variances before you tonight. Of course the house on a lot of that size kind of has some programatic needs that require additional square footage. We think we're asking for a modest amount of increase as allowable by the board. We are under 4000 square feet for this property, which by no means is a huge house.

And because of the orientation of the house, trying to obtain the views, trying to fulfill the program and get another pool, this one in the back of the house, kind of forces us to request some relief from the front yard -- front facade elevation setback. And if I may, I'm going to go up to this drawing here.

The part that -- we're asking for about 2 feet. I think it's 23 inches of variance on the diagonal. This is the front of the house. And it staggers, so there is not a blunt elevation on the house. Everything is modulated, cut up, broken up. This front portion of the house is the only one that exceeds that 23 inches of front elevation and additional setback.

Now, of course, yes, we could shift the house back, lose a pool. That's not very good

they're ready to build their home.

This home is kind of unique for me in that most of my most recent projects have been more in the historic part of Sullivan's Island, which is more of a neighborhood confine or community. This one on the outskirts, a little bit more ocean brand. It's a third row house on the corner of Brownell and Station 29. And we spent a lot of time at the site. We rented a cherry picker to try to assess potential use. And what we found is that there is a wide breadth of view in that corner of Station 29.

So we designed a house, a multi-story house, elevated for parking as required by FEMA, but we kind of sawtoothed the house in a way so more rooms could take advantage of that view. I refer to it sometimes as the notion of the ocean. You can't always see it, but you know it's there. It's kind of your obligation to pay homage to that.

The shape of the home is -- was created to take full advantage of potential views. The house does have an inverted floor plan, which inherently is very difficult to work with in the Town's ordinance. But I think we've made some very successful attempts at achieving that.

provisions of the zoning ordinance that haven't been addressed, and that's specifically Section 21-39 where it determines that any third story has to be hidden, at least 50 percent of the wall needs to be hidden within the existing roof line.

The second item refers to third story decking, and this pertains to a design guideline within the zoning ordinance. It states that it's incompatible. A third story deck or rooftop deck shouldn't be exposed and visible from the public right-of-way.

So those are just two things, and I think Mr. Ron Denton has addressed those and will present information on that.

MS. PERKIS: I'm going to recuse myself.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay.

MR. HENDERSON: So any questions? I'll defer to the board.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay.

MR. DENTON: My name is Ron Denton, and I'm the architect for Dawn and Chris Orr who are here with us tonight as well. They came to me, Chris has had this property for quite some time, and it's been vacant for quite some time. And now

Good.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Any opposed?

So the last item on the agenda is 2877 Brownell.

2877 BROWNELL AVENUE

MR. HENDERSON: Agenda Item D.2, non-historic property design review located at 2877 Brownell Avenue. This property is outside of the historic district, and it's currently a vacant lot. The applicants are requesting modifications of the zoning standards for principle building square footage, and they're requesting 13 percent, or a 453 square feet increase to what's allowable under the standards. They're also requesting 100 percent relief for the second story side setback, which we just discussed. And this is requested on two elevations, the east and west side elevations. And, additionally, they're requesting relief for the additional front yard setback. This would be off of Brownell Avenue, I believe?

MR. DENTON: Yes.

MR. HENDERSON: In your staff reports,

I mentioned a couple of notes that weren't

addressed in this application for you. The first

is regarding the third story and some of the

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2	time the middle drawing was approved last
3	MS. CAMPBELL: It was conceptually
4	approved last time.
5	THE CHAIRPERSON: Conceptually
6	approved.
7	MS. CAMPBELL: Correct, with a comment
8	to break up the wall.
9	THE CHAIRPERSON: You're coming in here
10	to request even less?
11	MS. CAMPBELL: Correct.
12	THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay. Got it. I
13	understand. So now let's go is there any public
14	comment?
15	Well, I guess the public comment
16	session is closed.
17	Joe, do you have any final comments?
18	MR. HENDERSON: No, I do not.
19	THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay. Bunky, do you
20	want to
21	MR. WICHMANN: Sure. Thank you.
22	Clearly you all heard what we said last time. I
23	think that roof line change is I think it's
24	going to make all the difference in the world to
25	the house. I like what you've done, and I

for anything in excess of 10 feet. And what's in purple on your packet is this current submittal.

So the area in lighter purple, which, Joe, if you can point to it, lower -- right there, we were able to recess the porch below and the upper master bedroom volume back slightly to allow a corner to be expressed and allow the roof line to come down, and in doing so, separated this main volume of the living room and the master and the bunk room upstairs and break up the long mass and the volume on the second floor.

And so previously, again, the tan represents what we came to you with last month, and this is what we're here for this month.

The corner of the house comes up, and that roof line has now continued over, so this reads as a volume versus a wall. We've also added another window and a closet upstairs to help, again, break up that mass and the siding on the second floor.

I'm happy to answer any questions.

The other areas haven't changed at all either. We're still requesting the same on these volumes. So that's not changed.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Let me see if I

We reviewed this project on October

18th where the DRB made a recommendation that they
lessened the length, the linear distance of one
specific section of the second story. This was
modified by 6 inches where the applicant provided a
small recess in that length of wall and extended a
corner up to the second story. And I'll let

Ms. Kate here address what she did in a little more
detail. And I'm here for you guys if there are any
more questions.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Thank you, Joe.

Kate?

MS. CAMPBELL: Hi, I'm Kate Campbell with Beau Clowney Architects. As Joe mentioned, we were here last month and have made modifications as requested by Mr. Wichmann on the board to the north elevation. We are -- in your packets that I just handed out to you is just a comparison which is also up on the screen.

So just to clarify, what's on the top is the conforming plan that conforms to the zoning ordinance. The second plan in your packet is what we were here for last month, which are the three areas on the second floor where we're requesting relief from the 2-foot setback on the side facade

having the pool, there is really nowhere else to

put it. I mean, you can change the shape of it -
MR. HENDERSON: Mr. Chairman, I can

explain that to the applicant, what the motion

refers to.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay.

MR. HENDERSON: I think I'm pretty clear on it. If you guys want to get together tomorrow and talk to me about it.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay. That would be great. So let's move on then to 2928 Jasper Boulevard.

2928 JASPER BOULEVARD

MR. HENDERSON: All right. Thank you.

Members of the board, this is Agenda Item D.1.

It's a non-historic design review. The property is at 2928 Jasper Boulevard. Beau Clowney Architects are the applicants. They're requesting -- I have preliminary or final approval for a new construction design review. They're requesting modification of the designing standards of one provision of the zoning ordinance, and that is for a second story side facade setback modification.

They're requesting this for three different facades, three areas of the second story.

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personal opinion, and I think we need to discuss that.

MS. SANDERS: The only reason for the reorientation is for the pool. That's the only reason. You can still have a very nice front courtyard.

MR. COISH: And with the pool, you have the utility building. And it's just two things going on there that I just can't get behind that.

MS. BOHAN: Is there a way that we can ask that you come back one more time with a study of how you would present -- I mean, we were presented with a restoration project, then we were presented with a pool, and now we're presented with structures. Can we -- I think we're all in agreement that we like what you're doing. It is, like Everett said, going to improve the property. It needs it. We understand how passionate you must be about this. You've been working on it quite some time. But is there a way that we could all agree that we have some disagreements and to come back and give us a new study and placement of what you might do versus what you presented here? would be my suggestion, with respect to the pool and the structures.

MR. HENDERSON: If I could have those 1 2 two restated one more time. I'm a little confused 3 as to which two those are. MS. BOHAN: It would be the orientation 4 5 approval and the historic structure approval. 6 MR. HENDERSON: Okay. 7 So I'll modify -- how MR. WICHMANN: 8 about if I modify the motion? 9 THE CHAIRPERSON: Sure. MR. WICHMANN: I modify the motion for 10 it to include the reorientation of the property and 11 12 the historic designation. 13 MS. MESSIER: Once it's reoriented, we 14 can put a pool there. I mean, it doesn't need DRB 15 approval. MR. HENDERSON: It will require DRB 16 17 approval. 18 MS. MESSIER: Okay. THE CHAIRPERSON: So was that an actual 19 motion? 20 MR. WICHMANN: That was a motion. I 21 was amending to the original motion. 22 THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay. 23 MR. COISH: Bunky, could you repeat 24

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something that could get some agreement, a motion

to approve two of the four.

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1	four components. Is there an ability for the board
2	to create a motion approving three of the four and
3	asking them to come back on the fourth of the four?
4	MR. HENDERSON: I think that would be
5	acceptable, absolutely.
6	THE CHAIRPERSON: Well, that might be
7	something for us. Before anybody makes that
8	motion, is that agreeable to the board or not?
9	MR. WICHMANN: We're planning to take a
10	vote on it.
11	THE CHAIRPERSON: Well, then we need a
12	motion.
13	MS. SANDERS: I can't agree.
14	MR. WICHMANN: Are you making a motion?
15	Would you
16	MS. PERKIS: No.
17	MR. WICHMANN: I'll make a motion, if
18	you're rescinding your attempt at a start of a
19	motion.
20	MS. PERKIS: Yeah, go ahead.
21	MR. WICHMANN: Joe, help me through
22	this. I'd like to make a motion that we approve
23	the first three requests, for reorientation, for
24	the historic use, and for the pool, and for the
25	applicant to return at a next meeting, given our

want to turn the Jasper Boulevard side to a more 1 functional kind of aspect. So the front 2 entranceway would be on Jasper Boulevard. What 3 you're seeing here is the north elevation. And 4 then that would give the folks that are buying 5 these condos a little area to use for recreation. 6 It would give them a backyard, an area of green 7 It's almost like in repurposing, adaptively 8 reusing the structure, you're getting an 9 investor --10 I think you can do all of MS. SANDERS: 11 that. You can do all of that and have a front yard 12 still. 13 MR. HENDERSON: I'm kind of 14 paraphrasing what they presented during their 15 September 18th meeting. So it's all in an effort 16 to adaptively reuse this huge structure. 17 plays in to why they're asking for the 18 reorientation, in my mind. 19 MS. SANDERS: Oh, I understand why. 20 just have my... 21 THE CHAIRPERSON: Has there been a 22 motion? You did a motion. Nobody has seconded 23

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approval of the reorientation of the three units towards Jasper Boulevard, number one. Number two is the historic exemption. I think we all agreed that exemption would bring the property in compliance with the regulations, not necessarily adding anything to the property. That's number Number three is they're adding a pool to the Middle Street side. And then the fourth one is the one, I think, that's the biggest hang-up, and that is the applicants added an accessory structure to the front yard. So of those four, is there any the board feels comfortable with granting approval? I have one question. MS. SANDERS: The orientation for the historic structure, the whole thing is historic; correct? MR. HENDERSON: Yes. MS. SANDERS: So the orientation for the historic structure is critical to preservation. I mean, that's why I don't understand how you can make half of it oriented and the other half not just because you want to put a pool in. I'd love to have a pool, too, but that's not a point. MR. HENDERSON: So I think in past

want a pool. But I think in addition to that, they

discussions with applicant, yes, property owners

concentrate on a little adjustment with that, see if it could satisfy the board in that area.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay. Well, any other comments or questions, or anybody want to try to make a motion?

MS. SANDERS: I'm not making this motion. Sorry.

MS. PERKIS: I make a motion that they come back with plan B for that storage unit, that accessory structure, I guess.

I personally am happy with the main building, the school part. I think what you've done there is good as far as taking the doorway out, adding a set of windows, but still maintaining the auditorium part. I'm very happy with that. I like also that you're keeping it low to the ground, that you're not raising the building. I'm all happy with all those things. But when I saw that, I went...

THE CHAIRPERSON: One question, Joe.

You were saying earlier, is there something we can
do to give the applicants the ability to get
started on a portion of this?

MR. HENDERSON: Right. As I see it, this is a four-part request. The first one is

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edge of pavement in close proximity. So we can consider that. Again, if there are other options, I think that we could work at the staff level to make sure they comply, and then re-present a different solution for the storage area.

MS. PERKIS: I'd like to see plan B.

MS. BOHAN: I agree. I think that there is enough planting and green space within each parking area, especially C and D and A. Maybe B is tight. But I think that there is creativity here that we haven't tapped into.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Anybody else? Ron? MR. COISH: My big problem was the pool from the beginning, but only because I've been looking at this structure for so long and I'm so used to seeing it like that. And I love it. But I also love the fact that it's going to be fixed up So I kind of warmed up to the pool and not raised. idea. But with the utility building there, although the utility building is really nice, I do like Beverly's suggestion of maybe seeing if we could break it up and getting it closer to each unit. Personally, if I was going to buy the condo, I would want that close to my unit.

So I would say that maybe just

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                 MS. MESSIER: The problem is with
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MS. BOHAN: Um-hum, Disney.

MR. HENDERSON: And I guess that begs the question, would the applicants be willing to modify their requests in order to get some approval tonight?

MS. MESSIER: Well, I mean, not everybody -- some people thought the cabana was a good idea or the storage area.

MS. PERKIS: My problem, if I be honest, is it's a wall. It's a wall of those storage units. It's a wall that I'm going to see from Station 23. It's a wall. Now, I know you say that you're going to have a living fence and you're going to have bushes. I've seen these living fences. They don't always come up to what you think they're going to be.

MS. MESSIER: Well, that's why we're using a hedge, not a line.

MS. PERKIS: But you've seen them, too, and they leave a lot to be desired. I don't want to drive by there -- because to me, it reminds me -- and it's probably not a right descriptive -- back alley. Does that sound right? Even though it's not, that's what I'm thinking. And then I'm

MR. HENDERSON: They're showing a net reduction. So they're not impacting any more. With the removal of the driveway, they're actually making it more compliant.

MS. SANDERS: Whatever. I can't -- I can't -- I can't -- I can't agree with the front set -- the front orientation. Everybody else can, but I can't.

MR. HENDERSON: So it seems to me that the original request of the orientation to Jasper Boulevard of the three units, allowing the pool, and then the historic restoration piece, it seems was more achievable. The board was more in acceptance of that presentation. Would the board be more comfortable in considering those, the original request, and eliminating one element that it seems like everybody has an issue with, which is the actual accessory structure? Would that make a difference? I just understand that the property owners are ready to move forward with some portion of this restoration project. Is there something that the board would be okay with?

MS. SANDERS: I do think it's beautiful, and I think it's an incredible project. I think it doesn't need to be -- you said it,

1	like an open shed-type structure? Because I've had
2	a golf cart and had it in a garage, and then we ran
3	out of room in the garage and had to keep it
4	outside, and they get trashed outside.
5	MS. BOHAN: That was not my suggestion.
6	MS. MESSIER: Yeah, no. But I guess
7	part of it is to try to keep it, you know, in an
8	enclosed
9	MS. BOHAN: I think the enclosure could
LO	be my first suggestion near the parking space.
L1	MS. MESSIER: Okay. All right. The
L2	other problem is, Laura was saying, the parking
L3	spaces right now are all in the setbacks, so there
L 4	could not be a structure put in those areas.
L5	THE CHAIRPERSON: Well, it may be
L6	that eventually it may be that a diagrammatic
.7	study showing the board that might be helpful. Are
.8	there any other comments? Anybody else have any
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20	MS. SANDERS: Yes, a pool and concrete
21	is not I mean, you're asking for maximum
22	impervious coverage. A pool is not green space.
23	MS. MESSIER: We meet the lot coverage

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requirements on both lots. We're not exceeding

be both.

MS. MESSIER: We're trying to make it multiuse, yes.

MS. BOHAN: Exactly. So I would say that -- I believe I'm the voice of a majority here, that we don't like it, and we would like to see -- I mean, I know you can pull power. It doesn't have to be near the building to get power for a golf cart. I mean, you can pull power from many resources as you're building and renovating this project from a construction standpoint.

So I suggest possibly doing a study and looking at putting the storage near the garage parking spaces. That makes common sense to me, although it may not be common. From a functional standpoint, if I was bringing my golf cart and my car and I had groceries and storage and a bicycle, I would kind of want it near my space and my unit that I built. I'm looking at it from a standpoint of if I was buying a condominium that you're selling, that I would want it near that facility. So I would just suggest, without going through discussion or argument, to just come up with a study.

MS. MESSIER: Would you be more open to

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the pool, this is just a sort of standard size pool that you'd have on any other residences on the island. A lot of people have fire pits and all those sorts of things at homes these days. So here you get four residences with one pool, instead of if this was a typical development with four pools.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Anybody have any questions or additional comments?

MR. WICHMANN: Yeah, I wonder if -from what I'm hearing from the other board members,
that several of them have -- it seems to be a
common theme of a concern about the storage units.
And I think your argument is right on target, that
you've got to have a place to stow stuff. I'm just
wondering if there is a suggestion or a thought of
another design or material or something that the
board -- maybe the members don't like the
renderings that are put here, maybe something else.
I don't know.

MS. MESSIER: I mean, did they not like what the building looks like, or they just don't like the building at all?

MS. BOHAN: Well, the thing that I'm struggling with, is this like a cabana, or is this storage? Because it looks like they're trying to

sides of this building are visible. There's nowhere to hide that. We're right up against the setback on the other side. So there really just is nowhere great to locate storage for these units. And you know people are going to have stuff. And so it's just going to be laying out everywhere if we don't provide a place for that. So just to kind of give you a little insight into why we're trying to do what we're doing.

MS. MESSIER: I just want to address, too, when we first came up with this plan, putting that large lawn area in front of Unit A was to make this visible, to make this building always feel like the historic structure it is.

Right now, there is this big gravel driveway, loop driveway. This is going to be much more attractive than that driveway. We do want to plant the area out in front of where the pool is so it's more private. But there is this double live oak tree there that you're not even going to be able to see that pool from, you know, the street anyway, these live oaks are so big. And the two live oaks in front of Unit C sort of block looking at that building.

And, you know, the comment about having

property. And the way it's placed over there to the -- sort of the side, it will buffer the pool. I'm not sure that pool would be seen. So that's just the way I see this plan. I think it would be an improvement.

Did you have a question or a comment?

MS. MIDDLETON: I was just going to respond to -- Ron had concerns, and actually you did a great job, took the words out of my mouth. But we are repurposing this structure. You know, it was built as a public building with a big public yard. And in order -- I mean, honestly, in order to make this attractive for private residences, they need some private outdoor space. I mean, Middle Street is a very, you know, heavily traveled public kind of street. And, you know, there is just so much yard space on the Jasper side.

So we're trying to preserve, you know, the green space that is in front of that historic auditorium structure. But we do need some private space for these residences to make them attractive. So that's really what we're trying to achieve.

That's what I was trying to get across for the storage. If we don't do it here, we have to do it somewhere around this building. And three

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interesting properties on the island. And it's been as we see it, since -- what -- maybe the 1960s, it looks like -- what you drive by looks like 1960s-era property. And as Everett said, it's expensive to maintain, and I'm assuming it's just apartments right now. And so I look at this site plan, and I see things that will enhance the experience of seeing the property. I see that there is going to be some planting along the sidewalk, and then the fence sits right behind that, if I'm not mistaken. And then I see an effort to create additional height landscaping along right behind that fence line, which would take that open, exposed lawn area and make that area behind that landscaping semi-private and comfortable, much more comfortable than what I see when I drive by.

So I think this is going to be eventually seen as a significant improvement to a site that could -- that needs some -- needs help. That's just the way I'm looking at this.

You know, I think if we don't allow some kind of storage for golf carts and bicycles, we'll see clutter somewhere around the property. I think that helps organize and de-clutter a

we've been driving past for the past four years, and I like what I see. But I'm just having a hard time wrapping my head around the pool, and I just can't quite grasp the pool there. I agree with Linda. It's a really wide open space, and it is kind of a very busy situation. And to me, all of a sudden something I've been looking at for so long, it's going to be totally changed. And it's -- it looks really good and everything, but I just have some reservations about the pool with the utility building as it sits.

Other than that, I love what is happening up front, fixing the house up. It's going to really be nice. Getting rid of that door that's way out of place, that's a good thing. For me personally, it's just the pool and the utility building. And maybe, as Bunky stated, it's very close, if not there. But maybe we can do something a little different with the utility building and the pool.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Anything else?

MR. COISH: That's it. That's my

opinion.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Well, I guess I'll add my two cents. It is one of the most

it wasn't on the original plans -- is the storage 1 2 units, the garages. I don't know what you call it, 3 I don't like the way it looks on Station 23. also think, the more I look at it, we've got so 4 5 much -- it's almost kind of Disneyland. We've got 6 a fire pit going. We've got the swimming pool, a 7 spa. We've got the gazebo. It's a lot happening. 8 We're taking -- the beauty of that 9 piece of property right now is the yard facing 10 Middle Street is all that greenery and that 11 openness. And now we're going to fence it. We're 12 going to have buildings. We're going to -- pool, 13 fire pit. It's just a lot happening to a lovely 14 piece of property. 15 I like the back -- that's the big 16 building -- what you've done with that. I like the 17 changes you've made where you've added more light, 18 gotten rid of a door and done that kind of stuff. 19 I have no problem with that. It's just now the 20 accessory buildings, accessory structures. That's all I have to say. I'm sorry. 21 22 THE CHAIRPERSON: That's quite all 23 right. Ron? 24 MR. COISH: I -- Everett, I agree with

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what you were saying about fixing up the house that

1 THE CHAIRPERSON: Anything else? 2 MS. SANDERS: That's it. 3 THE CHAIRPERSON: Bunky? MR. WICHMANN: It's a tough project. 4 5 You're trying to do something with a school and to repurpose it or re-repurpose it, you know, again. 6 I think it's a challenge. I like that you're 7 working to clean it up, move some doors, remove 8 9 some doors, add some windows, get some light. 10 You know, there has got to be a workable solution. And I can see very clearly what 11 12 you're trying to do. And like I said, I can 13 imagine the struggle in trying to do it. You know, 14 I don't have -- I think that because of its 15 uniqueness, in my opinion, as Rhonda has hers, there has got to be a little more give on this to 16 be able to make it work. And I like the work that 17 you've done on it, and I think it's probably 18 really, really close, if not even there for me. I 19 don't have anything -- more comments than 20 21 questions. Thank you. Linda? THE CHAIRPERSON: 22 MS. PERKIS: I personally like what 23 you're doing with the main building, with the 24 school itself. What I have a problem with -- and 25

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Now, aesthetically, the board is charged with deciding whether it's appropriate to allow those accessory buildings or uses in this portion of the property.

MS. SANDERS: Thank you for clarifying.

MR. HENDERSON: And, also, all the facade improvements, you know, B, C, and D are going to look more like a front facade instead of the rear of a building. And so I think it's kind of twofold.

Thank you. I did MS. SANDERS: Okay. not agree on changing the orientation at all. I think the whole thing, according to the historic preservation, you should honor the original building, which is the whole thing. So I am not the one -- I am the only one maybe that I did not agree to it, but I did not agree on changing the orientation in order to have a pool and storage shed and increase what you're asking for. I don't think it's compatible with the neighborhood or in keeping with the historic preservation. I just don't. And you're asking for a variance to get rid of a tree so you can have a pool so you can sell them for more money. I don't see a hardship. that's my take.

with the storage units and their placement.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Rhonda?

MS. SANDERS: So the orientation, what is a front orientation for this historic landmark?

MS. MESSIER: Lot 320 is oriented with the front towards Middle Street, and lot 319, which is the left side with C and D, is oriented towards Jasper. That was, I think, approved at the last meeting, and that's what allowed us to put the pool on the Middle Street side of those units. So this whole project is looked at as two separate lots.

MS. SANDERS: Okay. I'm not finished. Sorry. So the BZA -- was the BZA asked for the pool to be in the front yard if the front yard was for both?

MR. HENDERSON: No, that wasn't the variance request. The only variance request was for the FEMA regulations. So what's permitting the pool to be on the Middle Street side, if I skip to the site plan here, so Unit A is still going to keep this historic frontage towards Middle Street. D, C, and B are going to be oriented towards Jasper, thereby allowing this to become the rear yard and allow accessory structures and uses like pools, storage sheds to be in the rear yard.

4-foot fence and palm trees before you see the storage units. Would it not make more sense functionally to get out of the car and parking Unit A, B, C and D and have a storage unit within that parking area versus carrying whatever they're going to be carrying from each unit all the way over to that space?

MS. MESSIER: The purpose of these storage units, I think they're 8 by 12, was really, one, to have a place to put a golf cart, to charge it, keep bicycles, surf boards.

MS. BOHAN: Right, I understand.

MS. MESSIER: Just to get power to charge the golf carts, you'd have to sort of have them close to the building. We just felt it was a much better way to put it together, put the stuff out of sight, and to also convert it into a pool cabana. And you would just come through that, you know, the little double gate. There is going to be a hedge all along there. So you really only see through as to where the gates are. But if there is a concern about seeing through the gates, we can make them more solid.

MS. BOHAN: I think the improvements for the building structure is good. I'm struggling

November 15, 2017 20 1 units. And there is going to be a fence that 2 3 starts like back along A that comes down the side property line, runs along Station -- Middle Street, 4 then turns on Station 23, and turns in sort of 5 behind where that oak tree is at Unit B. And it's 6 just going to be a living fence, and we're going to 7 have a hedge in front of it to make it green. 8 9 THE CHAIRPERSON: Is there any more public comment? Let me get through that process. 10 11 So the public comment session is 12 closed. Joe, do you have any other final 13 14 comments? 15 Nothing further. MR. HENDERSON: 16 THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay. Beverly, do 17 you have any questions, thoughts? 18 MS. BOHAN: It's hard to see your dimension lines with the color green. Can you tell 19 me the distance from the double gate to your 20 21 storage unit? 22 MS. MESSIER: It's 25 feet. 23 MS. BOHAN: From a functional standpoint, would it not make sense, because I'm 24

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concerned about screening, your screening is that

front setback. But we feel that these are the spaces that have the less impact on the site as a whole by sort of putting them off to the side, also utilize existing curb cuts.

The parking for Units C and D comes in off of Station 23, and there is two spaces for C towards Jasper. The other two are there. Joe and I had talked about this before, and this parking could shift down to be more centered. But in doing so, we lose the 19-inch live oak. This property has eight or nine, you know, very nice live oaks. We're taking down one 17-inch live oak in that pool area. So we really worked hard to design everything to work around all of these trees.

And just briefly, we've also tried to design these little courtyards so each unit has its own little sitting area to put a grill and a couple of chairs. And there seemed to be a little bit of confusion, because, then again, they want that to be 20 foot behind the front facade of the structure. So that's why A's little courtyard is pushed back. We're also asking permission to allow that to be within 10 foot of the side setback so we can put it behind the structures. And then B, C, and D's are sort of on the pool side of those

And as long as you meet the coverage limitations, 1 2 you're fine to propose that. But I would point out 3 there are several parking areas that are proposed here that might need to shift in one way or the 4 5 other to be in compliance with the ordinance. 6 Specifically, there is a regulation that requires 7 parking areas need to be 20 feet behind the front facade of the structure. And so -- and that's a 8 9 zoning ordinance compliance issue. But we'll handle that at the staff level. 10 11 MS. MESSIER: Can I just address the 12 parking quickly on the plan? 13 MR. HENDERSON: Sure. 14 MS. MESSIER: If you go up, we 15 basically provided two spaces for each unit. 16 the bottom right-hand corner is where the parking area would be for the Unit A, which is the big 17 building which is the original school auditorium, 18

Now, this is where it gets tricky with all this. They would generally like to see the parking in the rear of the -- you know, not in the

Street that also utilizes the existing curb cut and

and it's utilizing an existing curb cut on Middle

Street. The parking for Unit B is off of Jasper

would allow two cars to get into there.

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is parking. I don't know if that's public parking, or is that for that lot? Is that --

MR. HENDERSON: Sure, that's actually perpendicular parking that encroaches onto the private property. So the allowed parking on the that side of the road is actually parallel. So the property owners have every right to put the fence on the property line and discontinue what they've been doing for years.

MS. MIDDLETON: We are going to allow the parallel parking though.

MS. DROZE: For public?

MS. MIDDLETON: For public, yes.

MR. HENDERSON: If you look at the rendering currently, there is perpendicular parking. The front of the vehicle comes across the property line, and there are railroad ties that run parallel.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Any other public comment?

MS. MESSIER: Joe, do we need talk about courtyards or anything?

MR. HENDERSON: No, but I would point out to the board that I think courtyards are part of your overall landscaping and hardscape plan.

Island Elementary School. And every project that we've seen that's really turned out to be a good thing for Sullivan's Island, first coming into the project was right next to the post office. And before that was done, there were apartments. They weren't kept up well. And once they turned them into condominiums, the whole project was redone and looked so much better. There are numerous examples of this, I think the latest being the commissary down on Middle Street, the apartments in front of Station 12.

And this project looks great to me.

It's a good use of the building. And using it as rental property the way it has been for the last, I don't know, 25 years or so, 30 years, you really -- the owner really can't afford to keep it up because it's so expensive to keep this property up. So I just think it's a good thing for the island. The project looks great to me. Thank you.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Thank you. Is there any other public comment?

MS. DROZE: I have a question for you.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Yes.

MS. DROZE: Dolly Droze. When you look at the house from Middle, from the left side, there

the look of the original structure with the lap 1 siding, but a little more open feel. And then just 2 3 with -- we didn't want to detract from the building. We're trying to kind of minimize this 4 5 and just extenuate the original structure, so we 6 put a very low slope on it with a metal roof, and 7 then the trellis structure on the pool side. And even with the addition of this structure, we 8 actually reduced the amount of impervious coverage 9 on both lots. So we were able to do that while 10 changing some of our sidewalks and things. 11 That's all I have, unless you all have 12 13 any questions. 14 THE CHAIRPERSON: Thank you. Is there 15 any public comment on this application? 16 MR. PRESSON: Steve? 17 THE CHAIRPERSON: Yes. Everett, if you 18 can go over to the speaker -- to the microphone, 19 rather. 20 MR. PRESSON: I'm Everett Presson at 21 1009 Middle Street, and I don't have any

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You all know this is the old Sullivan's

affiliation with this project. But what I'd like

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to say is that we've had several buildings over the

function -- that side, as you know, is pretty close to the property line. It's not very visible from the street.

So those are the -- my changes to the building itself from what you saw last time.

Regarding the -- so the request for the accessory structure, as we were looking at this in more detail, we realized there is really no exterior storage space. There's no garages.

There's no storage sheds. So we really felt there was a need for some exterior storage. As you know, there's bicycles and surf boards and beach buggies and golf carts. So we didn't want all of that all over the property.

And in addition, we felt there was a need for some shade in this pool area, so what we're proposing is a combined structure there beside the pool that would house -- would provide kind of some outdoor storage for each unit. And then on the other side would be an open trellis structure to provide a shaded area there by the pool.

And the structure itself, what we're proposing is just a slat wall. So it would be pretty open, really to kind of mimic and stem from

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elevation, this one, we again filled in the five window bay across. And in the corner near the side of the auditorium, there is a door there that we're proposing to add to mirror from the existing double door on the other side, but we'd like to put single door with transom match and with an awning to mirror from the other side of the building. That would give that unit access to that community space on that side.

And then if you'll go to the next elevation, here, we're not changing anything.

That's the Station 23 elevation. Actually, in the kind of background there, there is a door existing there that's just kind of out of place and odd.

And so we're proposing to remove that door that just wasn't needed from a functional standpoint.

So we're planning to eliminate that door and awning.

And then on the east side, on that side, we did find the need to add one more window, just for additional light in a bedroom, and then we're proposing to add a door on the side there just functionally for the front unit to use an outdoor space and have access to kind of a trash area and that kind of thing. So it's more of a

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Joe. And we request that the applicant have -- we have ten minutes allocated for your presentation.

I know it's a complex issue, so let's try to stay focused here, everybody.

MS. MIDDLETON: I'm Laura Middleton with the Middleton Group. Are you just going to -- MR. HENDERSON: Sure.

MS. MIDDLETON: Well, I don't know if you want to click it to the floor plan really quickly, but we did make some floor plan changes which spurred some of the fenestration changes that Joe mentioned. And, actually, if you'll just go to the exterior elevations real quick. I'll point out -- yeah. So I'll point out some of the changes really on the north and south.

So this is the north elevation. We added some windows to fill in the historic -- there is five bay windows on either side of that center entry. So we are proposing to just fill in those original five windows on the north side and south side. So that's where historically there were windows.

Another change is there is a door in the corner -- I'm sorry. This is the north elevation. So that door is existing. On the south

entire structure to meet FEMA's regulations. 1 2 Again, the BZA approved that. 3 Additionally, they approved an appeal of the zoning administrative decision to allow one 4 5 of the units to pass across the common property line there. So the ordinance reads that a legal 6 7 nonconforming use can't be expanded onto another The board overturned staff's decision and is 8 lot. allowing the configuration that you see before you. 9 10 With that, I know I threw a lot at you, 11 I'll be glad to answer any questions you have. 12 THE CHAIRPERSON: Does anybody have any 13 questions for Joe before the applicant? MS. PERKIS: So they're not going to 14 15 raise it? It's just going to be the same as it is? 16 MR. HENDERSON: That's correct. The 17 Board of Zoning Appeals granted a variance to allow 18 them to keep the structure where it is. 19 I would like to add several minor 20 architectural changes were made to this request 21 from what you saw during September 18th, some 22 fenestration changes. They relocated a door. I'll let the applicants present those changes to you. 23 24 And with that, that's all I have. 25 THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay. Thank you,

rendering here, units B, C, and D are to be reoriented towards Jasper Boulevard.

The board granted conceptual approval of the historic exemption which allows the increase in heated square footage, coverage, and also impervious surfaces. Essentially the only change being made to the property is adding some hardscaping and landscape so that increase is going to be utilized. The only change to the property is adding a pool and deck surfaces.

The third request was that a pool be incorporated into the site. And what's new about this application is the property owners are requesting to add an accessory structure. If you look at the rendering on the bottom left-hand side, you'll see a pool cabana and four storage units which will serve -- propose to serve as storage for units A through D.

I would add just a procedural note that the Board of Zoning Appeals heard two requests from these applicants on October 12th. The first was a variance request to the Flood Protection Ordinance, and that is to allow the 50 percent rule to be exceeded, that a substantial improvement can be made to the lot without having to elevate the

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2	MR. WICHMANN: Make a motion to approve
3	it as final.
4	MS. SANDERS: Second.
5	THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay. Any discussion
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9	THE CHAIRPERSON: Any opposed?
10	None opposed. Okay.
11	MS. WILSON: Thank you.
12	THE CHAIRPERSON: We are going to 2302
13	Middle Street. Joe?
14	2302 MIDDLE STREET
15	MR. HENDERSON: Okay. Thank you. This
16	agenda item is listed under C.2 on your agenda.
17	It's a historic property design review. This
18	property is located in the Atlanticville Local
19	Historic District and is noted under Historic
20	District Card 76. We reviewed this project during
21	our September 18th meeting where the following
22	items were requested for conceptual approval.
23	Number 1, the board granted approval
24	for the reorientation of three units on the western
25	side of this property. So if you look at your

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     footage there, but we're going to detail it as it
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     once was a porch that's been infilled.
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                 MR. WICHMANN:
                                Okay. Great.
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     you.
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                 MS. WILSON: I should mention, the
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     current porch roof that's on there is at 7 feet.
     It's very, very low. So we are proposing to lift
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     that porch beam a foot, to 8 feet, which allows --
     it's not higher than the gable of the maid's
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                It's pretty low.
     quarters.
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                 THE CHAIRPERSON: Anything else, Bunky?
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                 MR. WICHMANN: No, that's it. Thank
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     you.
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                 THE CHAIRPERSON:
                                   Rhonda?
                 MS. SANDERS: I'm good. I think it
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     looks like a great project.
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                 THE CHAIRPERSON:
                                   Beverly?
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                 MS. BOHAN: I agree.
                                       I like it.
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                 THE CHAIRPERSON:
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     I hear a motion?
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                 MR. WICHMANN:
                                Motion to approve.
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                 MS. PERKIS: Second.
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                 MS. SANDERS: That's final?
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                 MR. HENDERSON:
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     preliminary approval. So it's the will of the
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MR. COISH: Looks good.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Linda?

MS. PERKIS: I love it.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Bunky?

MR. WICHMANN: Can you just remind us about the infill materials? What are you going to use with the doors and windows and infill?

So, currently, MS. WILSON: Sure. actually, the corner, the inside corner of the maid's quarters is gone. It's been kind of cut away, and there is sort of a warren of closets and bathrooms that's sort of taking away from the integrity of the maid's quarters. So we'd like to re-establish that. So in shifting it over and preparing it, we'd like it to really read as its own structure so you can see all four corners. And the new infill there, which you can see right there, the idea is it's subordinate to both the original historic property and the maid's quarters. It's recessed from both and tries to just sort of be a quieter connection between those two pieces. Again, that's four corners. What you see there was originally a porch on the maid's quarters. been filled in over time. So we'd like to go back to a porch. We do want to keep the heated square

plans to you. After spending more time since I
submitted, we decided not to raise the house. The
packet shows it going up 2 feet, but we're going to
leave it exactly as it is.

The other change is, after spending some time, more time there, in your packet you will see the kitchen in the maid's quarters, and it is quite low. So even vaulting those ceilings -- it's an 8-foot ceiling -- we decided to bring the kitchen back into the main house, which has some really lovely high ceilings, and make the maid's quarters a master bedroom. So that's the explanation for the reversal on the plan. So that rear elevation changes a little bit because of that, but the concept is the same.

I think that's it. So I'll just leave it to questions.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Thank you. Is there any public comment?

Public comment session is closed.

Joe, do you have any final comments?

MR. HENDERSON: Not unless the board

has any questions.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Ron, do you have any thoughts?

board for any questions.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Thank you.

MS. WILSON: Heather Wilson presenting the project for the owners. We heard your advice last week -- or last month and made some adjustments. It's similar in concept, and we're trying to clean up that rear, but we've kept the maid's quarters intact and we are using that. We are asking for a 4 1/2 foot shift. That plan depicts it best. The orange line is its existing location.

The reason for this is it's just really hard to see the full width of the back of the house from the backyard. It's got a really wonderful backyard that they'd like to utilize more. It's currently overrun. So they want to add some more French doors and glass on the back, clean up the addition on the back which you're all familiar with. It's is in rough shape at the moment. And we feel like it just kind of also highlights the symmetry and balance of the rear elevation. We kept it so that you cannot see it from the front. It's within the overall width of the primary structure.

The only changes -- I handed out some

members of the board. Agenda Item C.1 is our first historic property design review. This is located at 2014 Middle Street. This property is located in the Sullivan's Island Local Historic District and is classified as a landmark structure per Survey Card 146.

This property was before us on October 18th and requested what essentially amounts to restoration approval due to its historic status. During that meeting, the board made several recommendations based upon the Historic Survey Card.

The original proposal outlined that the maid's quarters was to be relocated to a different portion of the lot, and also the kitchen house was to be demolished. Both of these structures were noted on the Historic Survey Card. The resubmittal, they're proposing to keep the maid's quarters where it was currently, remove the non-original additions to the rear, and construct an infill addition where the old infill was previously. I'll let the project architect, Heather Wilson, elaborate on that.

There are no requests for coverage increases on this project. And I'll defer to the

1	THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay. It is
2	Wednesday, November 15th, 2017, meeting of the
3	Sullivan's Island Design Review Board. Members in
4	attendance are Ron Coish; Linda Perkis; myself,
5	Steve Herlong; Bunky Wichmann; Rhonda Sanders; and
6	Beverly Bohan. I guess we're looking for the
7	approval of the October minutes.
8	MS. SANDERS: I vote we approve.
9	MR. WICHMANN: Second.
LO	MS. PERKIS: I have a problem with the
11	minutes. Every time my name was mentioned, it was
L2	misspelled. I'm all of a sudden Linda Perkins, but
L3	it's really Linda Perkis.
L4	MR. HENDERSON: Right. I noticed that
L5	as well.
L6	THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay. Any other
L7	comments? All in favor of approving the minutes?
L8	(Ayes were stated by all board
L9	members.)
20	THE CHAIRPERSON: Any opposed? None
21	opposed.
22	And so we will go to the first item on
23	the agenda, which is 2014 Middle Street.
24	2014 MIDDLE STREET
25	MR. HENDERSON: Okay. Thank you,

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3	STEPHEN HERLONG, Chairperson	
4	RHONDA SANDERS, Board Member	
5	F.C. "BUNKY" WICHMANN, Board Member	
6	RON COISH, Board Member	
7	LINDA PERKIS, Board Member	
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