

AGENDA PLACEMENT FORM

(Submission Deadline - Monday, 5:00 PM before Regular Court Meetings)

Court Decision:

Date: <u>January 17, 2025</u>	This section to be completed by County Judge's Office
Meeting Date: January 27, 2025	anson Cou
Submitted By: Julie Edmiston	* APPROVED *
Department: Public Works	(* (APPROVED)*
Signature of Elected Official Department Head:	1-27-2025
Description:	
Consideration of Variance to allow The Re	treat, Phase 29, to construct roads
with 20' width of pavement, 60' radius for t	he cul-de-sac on Bayside Court, 15%
roadway gradient along Eagle Oaks Drive,	Hampton Pointe Lane, and Lakelands
Lane. Install HDPE pipe for storm sewer c	ulverts instead of corrugated metal
pipe, 10' utility easements on front and rear	-
Right of Way, not to place sewer lines under	
allow conveyance of lots prior to electric se	ervice installation.
(May attach additional	sheets if necessary)
Person to Present: Jennifer VanderLaan	
(Presenter must be present for the item unl	ess the item is on the Consent Agenda)
Supporting Documentation: (check one)	PUBLIC CONFIDENTIAL
(PUBLIC documentation may be made available)	lable to the public prior to the Meeting)
Estimated Length of Presentation: 10 minut	tes
Session Requested: (check one)	
Action Item Consent Workshop	Executive D Other
Check All Departments That Have Been Notified	
☐ County Attorney ☐ IT	☐ Purchasing ☐ Auditor
☐ Personnel ☑ Public Wor	ks
Other Department/Official (list)	

Please List All External Persons Who Need a Copy of Signed Documents
In Your Submission Email



Johnson County Public Works Department

Jennifer VanderLaan / Director of Public Works
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Cleburne, Texas 76033
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VARIANCE REQUEST

Johnson County Subdivision Rules and Regulations outline what is required under the adopted Rules and Regulations. To request a variance for a deviation or exception to those Rules and Regulations for a lot or tract (ex: road frontage, etc.) please provide the following information.

Variance fee is \$120 per request. This request will be presented to the Commissioner's Court for their decision.

Name	Double Diamond, Inc.	Date	01-03-2025
Phone	Number_214-706-7857		<u> </u>
Email /	Address rgracy@ddresorts.com		
Proper	ty Information for Variance Request:		
Proper	ty 911 address_7725 F.M. 1434, Cleburne, Tx. 76033		
Subdiv	ision name The Retreat, Phase 29	Block Multiple	Lot Multiple
Survey	T. Sparks and SP RR CoAbstract_820 and 814		Acreage_28.478
Reque	St_Reduced pavement width, cul-de-sac radius, maximum gradient, utillity easements/location, HDP	PE pipe, conveyance prior to electric	install. See attachment for more detail.
Reasor	n for request_To maintain consistency and conformity to the "master plan	n" throughout the developn	nent. See
accomp	panying letter from the Engineer/Surveyor (Jessie J. Ince, P.E., R.P.I	L.S.) for specific items re	equested and justification.
Provide	the following with this request:		
₽	Copy of plat (if property has been platted)		
	Copy of property deed		
	Survey or drawing showing existing structures		

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184 Thousand Oaks Drive Whitney, Texas 76692 254-694-7708 jessie01@windstream.net Firm #10068000

Ince Surveying & Engineering

January 16, 2025

Mary Bullock Johnson County Public Works 2 N Mill St. Suite 305 Cleburne, Tx 76033

RE: The Retreat Phase 29 Variance requests

Dear Ms. Bullock, Each of the items for which we need to request a variance are listed below with justification:

VARIANCE #1 - Minimum Pavement width of 22'

The Retreat is a resort community on over 3,000 acres, with over 2,800 lots having been platted over the last 25 years and several miles of roads which have been maintained by the Resort. The standard roadway section has been a 20' roadway which we have been showing on your construction plans since Phase 9. Typically, within the resort, the road subgrades are taken down to rock. When the subgrades are on expansive materials, we provide lime stabilization, which typically exceeds the Johnson County Requirement. With the very low occupancy (approximately 150 existing homes) the narrower width has not resulted in any known traffic related problems, and the trade-off between the reduced width verses the extra strength as Grayson County has approved, has served our maintenance responsibilities well in both the Retreat and the Rock Creek Resort in Grayson County. We are requesting a variance reducing the pavement width to 20'.

VARIANCE #2 - Cul-de-sac Radius of 80'

Adhering to the 80' radius would make the lots at the end of Bayside Court undevelopable. We are requesting a variance to use a 60' radius for this cul-de-sac.

VARIANCE #3 – Maximum Roadway Gradient of 10%

The majority of the roadways in the Retreat are local streets whose primary function is to provide access to the adjacent residential lots. The rolling hills, bluffs and valleys of the Retreat make for a beautiful landscape and vistas, but give us challenges in meeting slope requirements. We have three locations where the 10% rule does not appear to add value to our project.

Along Eagle Oaks Drive from station 0+00 to 9+50 ,along Lakelands Lane from station 6+75 to station 8+50 and along Hampton Pointe Lane from station 3+75 to station 9+00 the natural grade exceeds 10%. To comply this with the10% maximum gradient, you would have several lots where the buildable area for the homes will be more than 10' above or below the local street. Not only the costs to achieve the 10% gradient but the adjacent homeowner would be required to have steep and expensive driveways to access their homes. The variance appears to be the best method of overcoming the conflict between the steep slopes and affordable access to the lots and the proposed design has a maximum grade of 15% within the affected areas. Although we show a vertical curve tangent of 13% for computation purposes, the centerline tangent extends beyond the limits of the intersection return and the computed grades along Pine Valley Drive are less than 10%.

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Portions of The Retreat Boulevard have steeper slopes than we are proposing here and have been privately maintained and provided valuable access to the development for at least 20 years. We would hope that this proven track record will encourage the Commission's support of our request for variance in these two locations.

VARIANCE #4 - Utility Easements

The utility plan and layout for The Retreat is consistent across all Phases and has proven to be adequate, efficient, and to enhance the master plan for the development. We are requesting variances to:

- (a) reduce the utility and drainage easements along the front and rear of all lots from 15 feet to 10 feet.
- (b) place the water lines within the right of way.
- (c) not place the sewer lines under the middle of streets.

VARIANCE #5 - Use of HDPE Pipe for Storm Sewer culverts

The Retreat has been using HDPE pipe on most of their projects since 2015. Based on manufacturer's information the HDPE pipe, when properly bedded, will support more load, seals better and is more resistant to corrosion than the Corrugated Metal Pipe (CMP) specified in the Subdivision Ordinance. Double Diamond has found the HDPE pipes to be easier to handle, install and joint than CMP. Since they are responsible for the maintenance, they would prefer to continue the use of this material. We hope the Commission will consider the HDPE to be a support product and allow the continued use of this material for roadway culverts on this project.

VARIANCE #6 - Conveyance of Lots prior to electric service installation

It is customary for rural electric companies to expand their lines as necessary to accommodate the infrastructure as building plans develop. Many areas will not see any construction for a considerable amount of time.

Phase 1 of The Retreat was approved by the Commissioners of Johnson County on May 14, 2002, and has been under development with a consistent "Master Plan" since that time. The design and layout of this Phase is consistent with that of the previous 28 Phases.

Please feel free to call with any questions.

Sincerely,

Jessie Joseph Ince, P.E., R.P.L.S.

Office: 254-694-7708 Cell: 254-602-2418 11176

SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED WITH VENDOR'S LIEN

Date: APRIL 8+-, 2002

Grantor: Thomas Hazlewood, Trustee

Grantor's Mailing Address: 1500 West Henderson

Cleburne, Texas 76033

Grantee: Double Diamond, Inc.

Grantee's Mailing Address: 10100 North Central Expressway, Suite 400

Dallas, Texas 75231

Consideration: Ten and No/100's Dollars (\$10.00) and a note of even date that is executed by Grantee, payable to the order of Lone Star Land Bank. The note is secured by a vendor's lien retained in favor of Lone Star Land Bank, in this deed and by a Deed of Trust and Assignment of Rents of even date from Grantee to GLENN R. PARR.

Trustee, for the benefit of Lone Star Land Bank. Lone Star Land Bank, at Grantee's request, has paid in cash to Grantor that portion of the purchase price of the property that is evidenced by the note described. The vendor's lien and superior title to the property are retained for the benefit of Lone Star Land Bank, and are transferred to that party without recourse on Grantor.

Property (including any improvements): See Exhibit "A" attached hereto

Reservations from and Exceptions to Conveyance and Warranty:

This conveyance is expressly made subject to the terms of any valid oil and gas leases, easements, restrictions, or zoning ordinances, to the extent that same may be in force and effect, covering or describing the above-described property.

Grantor, for the consideration and subject to the reservations from and exceptions to conveyance and warranty, grants, sells, and conveys to Grantee the Property, together with all and singular the rights and appurtenances thereto in any wise belonging, to have and hold it to Grantee and Grantee's successors or assigns forever. Grantor binds Grantor and Grantor's successors and assigns to warrant and forever defend all and singular the property to Grantee and Grantee's successors and assigns against every person whomsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof, except as to the reservations from and exceptions to conveyance and warranty, by, through or under Grantor but not otherwise.

When the context requires, singular nouns and pronouns include the plural.

SIGNED this 24- day of Apel , 2002.

Thomas Hazlewood, Trustee

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

THE STATE OF TEXAS S COUNTY OF JOHNSON S	
This instrument was acknowledged before me on this the day of day of	
SUZIE MEDFORD Notary Public, State of Texas STATE OF TEXAS Hy Contin. Exp. 07/20/2004	

PREPARED IN THE LAW OFFICE OF:

EDWARD G. MARKEY Attorney at Law 1200 Summit Avenue, Suite 700 Fort Worth, Texas 76102-4409

AFTER RECORDING RETURN TO:

Double Diamond, Inc. 10100 N. Central Expressway, Suite 400 Dallas, Texas 75231

HAZLEWOOD/DOUBLE DIAMOND WARRANTY DEED - PAGE 2

TRACT I:

Being all of the T. SPARKS SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 820, Johnson County, Texas. Bearings are correlated to the north line of the T. Sparks Survey, Abstract No. 820, Johnson County, Texas. (North 60 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East)

Beginning at a 1/2 inch steel pin set for a corner being the northwest corner of the T. Sparks Survey, Abstract No. 820, from which a 30 inch live oak witness tree found, bears North 14 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, 47.20 feet, (17 varas);

Thence North 60 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, along the north line of said T. Sparks Survey and the south line of the S.M. Cotton Survey, Abstract No. 987, 1827.70 feet, (657.97 varas), to a 1/2 inch steel pin found for a corner being the northeast corner of said T. Sparks Survey,

Thence South 29 degrees 15 minutes 21 seconds East, with the east line of said T. Sparks Survey, 3933.94 feet, (1416.22 varas), to a 5/8 inch steel pin found for a corner being the southeast corner of said T. Sparks Survey, in the north line of the T. Toby Survey, Abstract No. 847,

Thence South 60 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, with the south line of said T. Sparks Survey and the north line of the said T. Toby Survey, 1827.70 feet, (657.97 varas), to a 1/2 inch steel pin set for a corner;

Thence North 29 degrees 15 minutes 21 seconds West, with the west line of said T. Sparks Survey, 3933.94 feet, (1416.22 varas), to the Place of Beginning and Containing 165.047 acres of land, more or less.

TRACT II:

Being a tract of land in the S.P.R.R. SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 814, Johnson County, Texas. Bearings are correlated to the north line of the T. Sparks Survey, Abstract No. 820, Johnson County, Texas. (North 60 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East)

Beginning at a 1/2 inch steel pin found being the northeast corner of the T. Sparks Survey, Abstract No. 820, in the west line of the S.P.R.R. Survey, Abstract No. 814, both, Johnson County, Texas,

Thence North 60 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, 462.48 feet to a 1/2 inch steel pin set for a corner;

Thence South 29 degrees 09 minutes 32 seconds East, generally along a fence, 2068.87 feet to a 5/8 inch steel pin found for a corner;

Thence South 61 degrees 59 minutes 51 seconds West, generally along a fence, 459.05 feet to a-1/2 inch steel pin found for a corner in the east line of said Sparks Survey,

Thence North 29 degrees 15 minutes 21 seconds West, along the east line of said Sparks Survey, 2052.82 feet to the Place of Beginning and Containing 21.795 acres of land, more or less.

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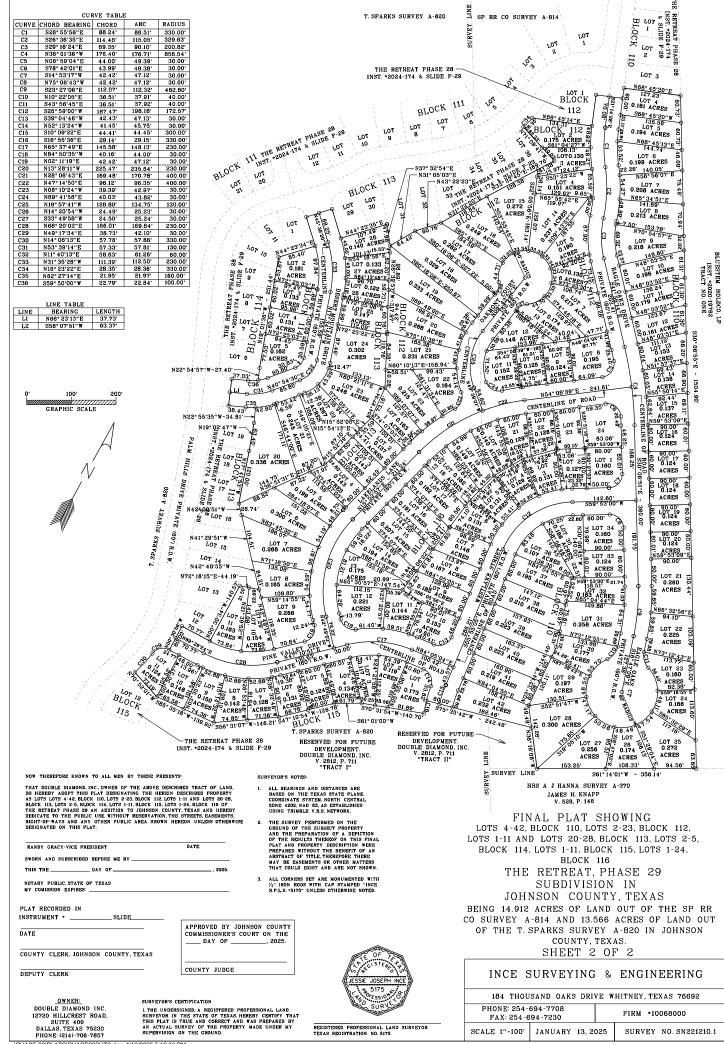
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STATE OF TEXAS **COUNTY OF JOHNSON**

that I hereby certify this instrument was FILED on the date and at the time stamped hereon by me and was duly RECORDED in the OFFICIAL PUBLIC RECORDS OF JOHNSON COUNTY, TEXAS in the Volume and Page as shown bereos.

> CURTIS R. DOUGLAS, Cod TY CLERK JOHNSON COUNTY, TEXAS



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