## **TOWN OF PARADISE VALLEY**

Case BA-25-09 5712 E Glen Drive Setback, Height, and Slope Restoration Variance for New Home **Board of Adjustment** December 3, 2025



### **TODAY'S GOAL**

- Review and take action on 4 variance requests:
  - 1. SFR height encroachment
  - 2. SFR setback encroachments
  - 3. Retaining walls-setback and height encroachments
  - 4. Maintain and modify existing/nonconforming spill slope



## **AGENDA**

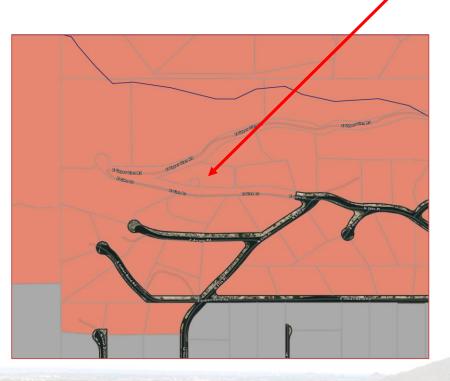
- Background
- Scope of Request
- Analysis & Recommendation
- Action





## **VICINITY MAP**

### **Subject Property**





### SITE CONDITIONS

- Zoned R-43 Hillside
- 44,786 sq ft (1.03 acres)
- Triangular shaped lot
- Shallow Lot 100' Average Depth
- Dual frontage
- 36.1% Building Pad Slope
- City of Phoenix Water Tank Near Center of Lot

## **LOT HISTORY**

- Club Estates 2 Subdivision
- Platted in Maricopa County 1960
- Annexed 1961
- Permits issued to develop property in 1970s:
  - No structures built pad cut in late 1970s/early 1980s

## LOT HISTORY (CONT.)

- Third variance request for this property
- May 3, 2017 (BA-16-6):
  - Approved variance for SFR rear setback encroachment for house
- November 3, 2021 (BA-21-11):
  - Approved variance for retaining wall encroachment, house height & setback encroachment, and modify existing nonconforming spill slope
- This request similar to previous requests due to property hardships associated with this lot

## **VARIANCES**

- 4 variance requests to develop lot:
  - 1. Allow part of house covered patio to exceed 24' height limit
  - 2. Allow portions of house to encroach into 20' east/side setback and 40' north/rear setback
  - 3. Allow retaining walls over 3' tall to encroach into 40' front yard setback and allow portions of retaining walls to extend more than 6" above material they retain
  - 4. Maintain and modify existing/nonconforming spill slope



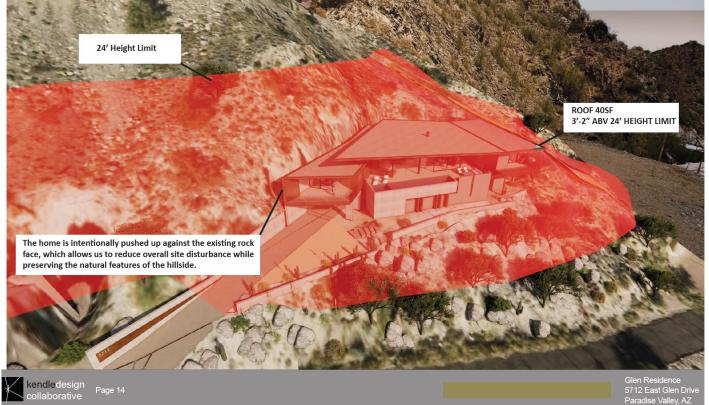
- SFR Height Encroachment:
  - House limited to 24' tall from natural/predevelopment grade
  - 40 sq ft of upper/main level covered patio roof encroaches beyond 24' height limit

Single Family Residence Height	
Zoning Ordinance	New SFR
24' Height Limit (Above/parallel to natural grade)	27'2" - Covered Patio (3'2" above limit with 40 sq ft of encroachment)



### SFR HEIGHT ENCROACHMENT

#### Proposed Design - Portion of Roof Over 24'





- SFR Setback Encroachments:
  - House limited to 40' rear setback and 20' side setback
  - 2' East/Side Yard Setback Encroachment:
    - 37 sq ft for bedroom
    - 22 sq ft for overhang
    - 59 sq ft Total Encroachment
  - 20' North/Rear Yard Setback Encroachment:
    - 643 sq ft for lower level
    - 1,516 sq ft for upper/main level
    - 2,159 sq ft Total Encroachment

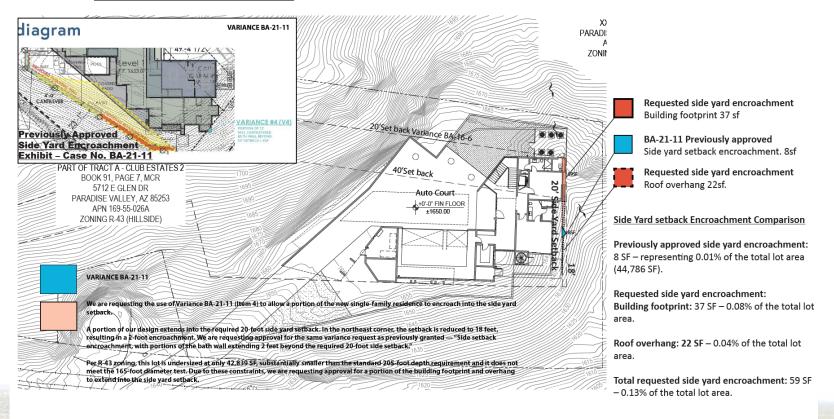


Single Family Residence Setbacks	
Zoning Ordinance	New SFR
40' Front	40' Front
40' Rear	20' Rear (2,159 sq ft total encroachment)
20' East Side	18' Side (59 sq ft of total encroachment)
20' West Side	300' (+/-)



## SFR SIDE SETBACK ENCROACHMENT

#### Side Setback Encroachment



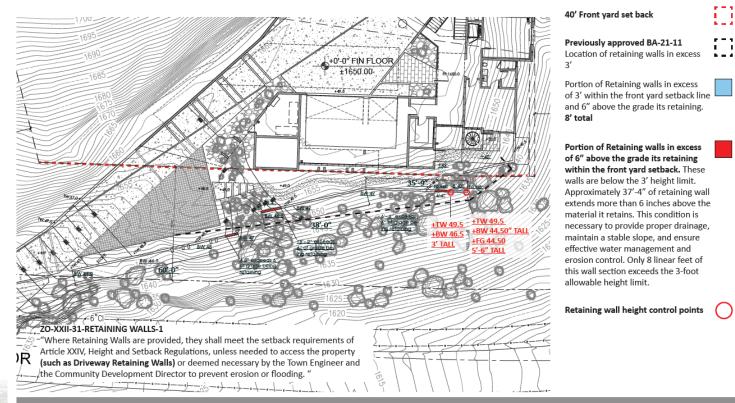
- Retaining Wall Setback & Height Encroachments:
  - 3' tall retaining wall limited to 10' to 40' front yard setback
  - Retaining walls cannot extend more than 6" above material they retain
  - Three areas of front retaining walls exceed height requirements due to drainage and site stability requirements:
    - 5'6" tall
    - Each portion extends 2' to 5' above the materials it retains



Retaining Walls	
Zoning Ordinance Setback	Retaining Walls
3' Height at 10'	5'6" tall at 32' Setback
Setback from Front	from Front Property Line
Property Line	(8 Lineal Feet)
8' Height at 40' Setback	8' tall beyond 40'
from Front Property Line	Setback
6" Max Extension Above	38 Lineal Feet above
Material it Retains	6" Limit
	2'-5' above 6" limit

### RETAINING WALL ENCROACHMENTS

#### Retaining Walls Exceeding 3' and 6" above grade it is retaining.



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- Maintain & Modify Existing/Nonconforming Spill Slope:
  - Veneered rock slopes limited to 45-degree max slope
  - Majority of existing spill exceed 45-degree slope
  - Applicant maintaining and improving existing slope:
    - Removing 2,200 sq ft of spill
    - Enhanced with natural vegetation to help blend slope into hillside
    - After improvements, average slope is approximately 30 to 34 degrees



Spill Slope	
Zoning Ordinance	Modified Slope
Veneered Slope	Veneered & Vegetated Slope
1 to 1 (or 45 degree) Max Slope	Majority of existing areas exceed 45-degree slope. 24% of area removed. Remaining slope modified & revegetated Average slope between 30 – 34 degrees.

## **SPILL SLOPE MODIFICATIONS**

#### Proposed Spill Slope Removal and Restoration - Diagram



#### TOTAL SPILL SLOPE ≈ 10.600

(±) 2,508 SF OF EXISTING PORTION OF SPILL SLOPE TO BE REMOVED FOR NEW BUILDING PAD ENLARGEMENT.



(±) 8,092 OF EXISTING SPILL SLOPE TO BE RESTORED. REFER TO LANDSCAPE EXHIBIT FOR RESTORATION PLAN. AVG SLOPE- 1:1.5 OR 34 DEG.



PORTION OF SPILL SLOPE WITH A SLOPE GREATER THAN 1:1 OR 45 DEG.





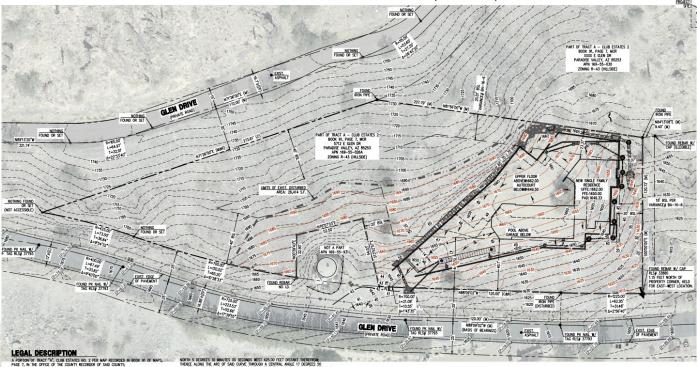
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#### **AERIAL MAP EXHIBIT**

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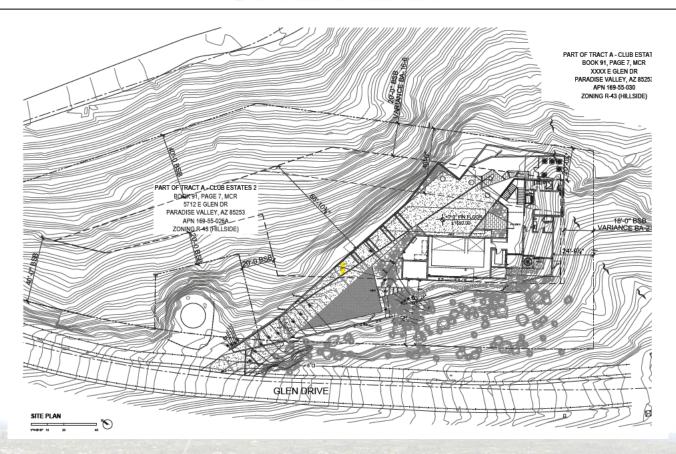
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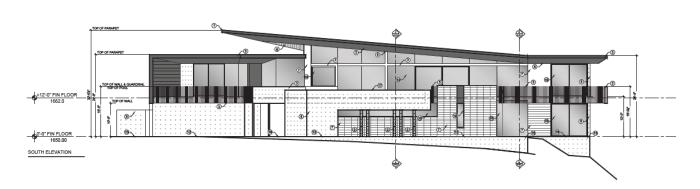


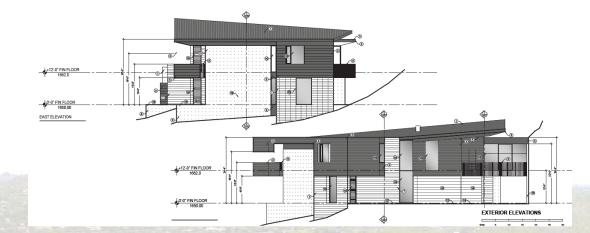
## **SITE PLAN**





## **EXTERIOR BUILDING ELEVATIONS**







## **RENDERINGS**





## **SITE PHOTOS**



# SITE PHOTOS (CONT.)



## **ANALYSIS – SFR HEIGHT ENCROACHMENT (#1)**

- Difficult lot to build upon
- Applicant trying to utilize existing pad
- Steep building pad slop of 36.1%
- Only small portion of front covered patio penetrates 24' height limit:
  - 40 sq ft of roof encroachment should have little to no impact on neighboring properties



# **ANALYSIS - SFR SETBACK ENCROACHMENTS (#2)**

- Property hardships prohibits compliance:
  - Shape and topography create restrictive building envelope
  - Cliff face encompasses approx. half of building envelope
  - One-Third of lot is buildable and limited to eastern part of property (which is location of existing pad)



## **ANALYSIS - SFR SETBACK ENCROACHMENTS (#2)**

- Average house size is approximately 8,000 sq ft:
  - o This home is 6,958 sq ft
- If platted today:
  - Square or rectangular lot (not triangular)
  - 4.4-acre minimum lot size based upon slope (not 1.03 acres)
  - 205' deep (instead of 120' deep)



## **ANALYSIS – RETAINING WALLS (#3)**

- Development limited to eastern part of lot due to shape and topography
- Retaining walls needed for drainage and site stability since utilizing existing pad
- Limited amount of encroachment:
  - 8 lineal feet exceeds 3' height limit
  - o 38 lineal feet exceeds 6" height limit



# **ANALYSIS – EXISTING SPILL SLOPE (#4)**

- Request meets intent of Code:
  - Reducing nonconformity:
    - 24% reduction in amount of spill
    - Average slope of 30% 34%
- Reducing and vegetating existing spill slope helps it blend in with surrounding hillside

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Neighborhood notification completed in accordance with Town requirements
- Staff received no inquiry or comments



## STAFF RECOMMENDATION

### **MOTION**

Approval of Case No. BA-25-09, for variances from Zoning Ordinance, Article XXII, Hillside Development Regulations and Article X, Height and Area Regulations, to allow: 1) retaining walls and a raised outdoor patio area to encroach into the front yard setback and exceed height limit, 2) allow new SFR to exceed height limit, 3) modify and maintain a nonconforming spill slope, and 4) allow portions of new SFR to encroach into side yard and rear yard setbacks.

### **REASONS FOR APPROVAL**

- Restrictive bldg. envelope due to shape, slope, and depth of lot
- Utilizing existing pad

## **POSSIBLE ACTIONS**

- 1. Approve with stipulations:
  - a. Improvements in compliance with submitted plans and documents
  - b. Must obtain Hillside Committee approval & required building permits and inspections from Building Division
  - c. Variance Case BA-25-09 will supersede and void previous variance Case Numbers BA-16-6 and BA-21-11
- 2. Deny
- 3. Continue for further review



## **QUESTIONS?**

