## STAFF REPORT <br> PLANNING MANAGER DECISION

DATE: January 9, 2024

FILE NO.: LLA-23-04/VAR-23-03
REQUEST: Property Line Adjustment (LLA) between two legal lots: 1601 Killarney Drive and 1627 Killarney Drive and Class I Variance to reduce the lot size at 1627 Killarney Drive below minimum standards for the R-10 zone

PLANNER: Darren Wyss, Planning Manager

## Planning Manager

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

| APPLICANT: | The Portlock Company 2172 Tannler Drive West Linn, OR 97068 |
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| OWNER: | TPC Property LLC Steve Strickland <br> P.O. Box 521 1601 Killarney Drive <br> West Linn, OR 97068 West Linn, OR 97068 |
| SITE LOCATION: | 1627 Killarney Drive 1601 Killarney Drive <br> Proposed Parcel 1 Proposed Parcel 2 |
| LEGAL DESCRIPTION: | Lot 4, Block 1 Lot 3, Block 1 <br> Green Hills Estates IV (1977) Green Hills Estates IV (1977) |
| SITE SIZE CURRENT: | 10,025 sq. ft. 10,005 sq. ft. |
| SITE SIZE PROPOSED: | 9,897 sq. ft. 10,134 sq. ft. |
| COMP PLAN DESIGNATION: | Low Density Residential Low Density Residential |
| ZONING: | R-10 R-10 |
| APPROVAL |  |
| CRITERIA: | Community Development Code (CDC) Chapter 85 Land Division; Chapter 11: R-10 Single Family Residential Detached; Chapter 75: Variances and Special Waivers; Chapter 99: Procedures for Decision Making: Quasi-Judicial. |
| 120-DAY RULE: | The application became complete on December 21, 2023. The 120day period therefore ends on April 21, 2024. |
| PUBLIC NOTICE: | Notice was mailed to property owners within 300 feet of the subject property and to the affected neighborhood association on December 22,2023 . A sign was placed on the property on December 22, 2023. The notice was also posted on the City's website on December 22, 2023. Therefore, public notice requirements of CDC Chapter 99 have been met. |

## PROJECT BACKGROUND

The applicant proposes to adjust the shared property line between the existing lots of record located at 1601 Killarney Drive (Lot 3, Block 1, Green Hills Estates IV Plat) and 1627 Killarney Drive (Lot 4, Block 1, Green Hills Estates IV Plat). The proposal will correct an existing fence encroachment from 1601 Killarney Drive onto the 1627 Killarney Drive property that was discovered during surveying work associated with the HB2001/SB458 land division approved at 1627 Killarney Drive. The proposed property line adjustment will reduce the size of 1627 Killarney Drive below 10,000 square feet, the minimum for the R-10 Residential zone, and requires a Class I Variance, which allows the reduction of minimum lot sizes up to five percent. The proposal is for a reduction of the lot size by 1.3 percent.

|  | Before Adjustment | After Adjustment |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 1601 Killarney Drive | 10,005 sq. ft. | $10,134 \mathrm{sq} . \mathrm{ft}$. |
| 1627 Killarney Drive | 10,025 sq. ft. | $9,897 \mathrm{sq} . \mathrm{ft}$. |

## PUBLIC COMMENT

The City received no public comments.

## DECISION

The Planning Manager (designee) approves this application (LLA-23-04/VAR-23-03), based on: 1) the findings submitted by the applicant, which are incorporated by this reference; 2) supplementary staff findings included in the Addendum; and, 3) by the conditions of approval below:

## Conditions of Approval

1. The applicant shall file, with the Clackamas County Clerk, conveyances conforming the approved property line adjustment as surveyed in accordance with ORS 92.060(7) and any documents required by the county surveyor (such as an overplat).
2. The final property line adjustment map (or partition plat) showing the survey of the adjusted line between Lots 3 and 4 shall substantially conform to the documents provided in Exhibit PD-1.

The provisions of the Community Development Code Chapter 99 have been met.


January 9, 2024
Darren Wyss, Planning Manager

Appeals to this decision must be filed with the West Linn Planning Department within 14 days of the mailing date listed below. The cost of an appeal is $\$ 400$. The appeal must be filed by an individual who has established standing by submitting comments prior to the date identified in the public notice. Appeals will be heard by City Council. Approval will lapse 3 years from effective approval date if the final plat is not recorded.

Mailed this 9th day of January 2024.
Therefore, the 14-day appeal period ends at 5 p.m., on January 23, 2024.

## ADDENDUM APPROVAL CRITERIA AND FINDINGS

## LLA-23-04/VAR-23-03

This decision adopts the findings for approval contained within the applicant's submittal, with the following exceptions and additions:
I. Chapter 11 Single-Family Residential Detached, R-10
11.030 Permitted Uses

1. Single-family attached or detached residential unit.
a. Duplex residential units
b. Triplex residential units
c. Quadplex residential units

Staff Finding 1: An existing single-family detached home occupies 1601 Killarney Drive. A detached duplex is under construction on 1627 Killarney Drive. The criteria are met.
11.070 Dimensional Requirements, Uses Permitted Outright and Uses Permitted Under Prescribed Conditions

| STANDARD | REQUIREMENT | ADDITIONAL NOTES |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Minimum lot size <br> Average minimum lot or parcel size for a <br> townhouse project | $10,000 \mathrm{sf}$ | For a single-family attached or |
| detached unit |  |  |

Staff Finding 2: The proposal will increase the lot size of 1601 Killarney Drive to 10,134 sq. ft. and reduce the lot size of 1627 Killarney Drive to 9,897 sq. ft. A Class I Variance is required for the reduction under the minimum lot size. Please see Staff Findings 3 to 6. No other dimensional requirements will be modified. The criteria are met.
II. Chapter 75 Variances and Special Waivers
75.020 Classification of Variances
A. Class I Variance. Class I variances provide minor relief from certain code provisions where it can be demonstrated that the modification will not harm adjacent properties, and it conforms with any other code requirements. Class I variances are allowed for the following code provisions:

1. Required Yard and Minimum Lot Dimensional Requirements. Required yards may be modified up to 20 percent, lot dimensions by up to 10 percent and lot area by up to five percent if the decision-making authority finds that the resulting approval:

Staff Finding 3: The proposal is to reduce the minimum lot area of 1627 Killarney Drive from $10,025 \mathrm{sq}$. ft . to $9,897 \mathrm{sq}$. ft . This is a 1.3 percent reduction. The criteria are met.
a. Provides for a more efficient use of the site;

Staff Finding 4: The proposal is to correct an existing fence encroachment from 1601 Killarney Drive onto the 1627 Killarney Drive property. The property owners agreed to this solution. The criteria are met.
b. Preserves and incorporates natural features into the overall design of the project;

Staff Finding 5: The proposal will avoid the potential loss of vegetation and potential grading required to move/reconstruct the encroaching fence. The criteria are met.
c. Does not adversely affect adjoining properties in terms of light, air circulation, noise levels, privacy, and fire hazards; and
d. Provides for safe vehicular and pedestrian access to the site and safe on-site vehicular and pedestrian circulation.

Staff Finding 6: The proposal does not affect the light, air circulation, noise levels, privacy, or fire hazards as the encroaching fence has been in its location for years. Pedestrian and vehicle access will not change. The criteria are met.

## III. Chapter 85 General Provisions

85.210 Property Line Adjustments - Approval Standards
A. The Director shall approve or deny a request for a property line adjustment based on the criteria stated below:

1. An additional lot or parcel shall not be created by the line adjustment.

Staff Finding 7: The proposal adjusts the common property line between two existing lots of record. No additional lots are proposed to be created. The criteria are met.
2. The existing property shall not be reduced in size by the adjustments below the minimum lot or parcel size established by the approved zoning for that district. The property line adjustment shall not enlarge, increase or extend the non-conformity of a non-conforming lot or non-conforming structure.

Staff Finding 8: The proposal will increase the lot size of 1601 Killarney Drive to 10,134 sq. ft . and reduce the lot size of 1627 Killarney Drive to $9,897 \mathrm{sq}$. ft. The minimum lot size in the $\mathbf{R}-10$ Residential zone is $\mathbf{1 0 , 0 0 0} \mathbf{s q}$. ft . A Class I Variance is required for the reduction under the minimum lot size. Please see Staff Findings 3 to 6. There are no nonconformities associated with the lot or structures. The criteria are met.
3. Property line adjustments shall be either:
a. A straight line (see Figure 1 example);
b. A line with maximum of two 45- to 90 -degree turns (see Figure 2 example); or
c. A maximum of three turns less than 45 degrees (see Figure 3 example).
(The following figures are only intended as examples.)


Figure 1.


Figure 2.


Figure 3.
Staff Finding 9: The proposal adjusts the common property line between two existing lots of record with one turn of less than 45 degrees. The criteria are met.
4. The property line adjustment shall not create a lot or parcel that violates applicable site development regulations.

Staff Finding 10: The proposal adjusts the common property line between two existing lots of record. No development regulations will be violated. The criteria are met.
5. The property line adjustment will not adversely affect existing easements or existing utilities unless an easement vacation is obtained, replacement easements are established, or any required utility relocations are paid for by the applicant.

Staff Finding 11: The proposal does not adversely affect any existing easements or utilities. The criteria are met.
6. Proposed property line adjustments that cannot meet these standards are subject to review under CDC 99.060(B)(2)(e).

Staff Finding 12: The proposal requires a Class I Variance for reduction of minimum lot area of up to five percent per CDC 75.020(A). The criteria are met.
7. Any appeal must be filed in accordance with CDC 99.240.
B. The provisions of CDC 85.070 shall also apply to property line adjustments.

Staff Finding 13: The applicant understands the process and right to appeal the decision. The provisions of CDC section 85.070 "ADMINISTRATION AND APPROVAL PROCESS" are satisfied by this application and by the applicant's provided proof of ownership (see Exhibit PD-1) for the two lots of record subject to the proposal. The application is being processed in agreement with the provisions of CDC Chapter 99. The criteria are met.

## EXHIBIT PD-1: APPLICANT SUBMITTAL

## Development Review Application

| Staff Contact | For office Use only |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Non-Refundable Fee(s) |  |

Type of Review (Please check all that apply):
$\square$ Annexation (ANX)
$\square$ Appeal (AP)
$\square$ CDC Amendment (CDC)
$\square$ Code Interpretation (MISC)
$\square$ Conditional Use (CUP)
$\square$ Design Review (DR
$\square$ Tree Easement Vacation (MISC)
$\square$ Expediated Land Division (ELD)
$\square$ Extension of Approval (EXT)

| $\square$ Final Plat (FP)Related File \# |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\square$ | Flood Management Area (FMA) |
| $\square$ | Historic Review (HDR) |
| $\square$ | Lot Line Adjustment (LLA) |
| $\square$ | Minor Partition (MIP) |
| $\square$ | Modification of Approval (MOD) |
| $\square$ Non-Conforming Lots, Uses \& Structures |  |
| $\square$ | Planned Unit Development (PUD) |
| $\square$ Street Vacation |  |


| $\square$ | Subdivision (SUB) |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\square$ Temporary Uses (MISC) |  |
| $\square$ | Time Extension (EXT) |
| $\square$ | Right of Way Vacation (VAC) |
| $\square$ | Variance (VAR) |
| $\square$ | Water Resource Area Protection/Single Lot (WAP) |
| $\square$ | Water Resource Area Protection/Wetland (WAP) |
| $\square$ | Willamette \& Tualatin River Greenway (WRG) |
| $\square$ Zone Change (ZC) |  |

Pre-Application, Home Occupation, Sidewalk Use, Addressing, and Sign applications require different forms, available on the website.

## Site Location/Address: 1627 Killarney Dr,

 West Linn OR 97068| Assessor's Map No.:21E35BB |
| :--- |
| Tax Lot(s): 9600 |
| Total Land Area: 0.23 Acres |

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Total Land Area: 0.23 Acres

## Brief Description of Proposal:

Lot line adjustment to address a fence echroachment from the neighboring property. In addition the proposal is for a Class 1 variance as this LLA will require a variance for $5 \%$ reduction in required lot size as the lot will be 104 sq ft under the required $10,000 \mathrm{sq} f$ f.

| Applicant Name*: The Portlock Company |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Address: | 2172 Tannler Dr |
| City State Zip: | West Linn OR 97068 |

Phone:
Email:
425-829-1566
jportlock@theportlockco.co m

Owner Name (required):

## Address:

City State Zip:

## Address: <br> City State Zip:

Phone: 425-829-1566 Email:

Phone: 503-746-8812

1. Application fees are non-refundable (excluding deposit). Applications with deposits will be billed monthly for time and materials above the initial deposit. *The applicant is financially responsible for all permit costs.
2.T he owner/applicant or their representative should attend all public hearings.
2. A decision may be reversed on appeal. The decision will become effective once the appeal period has expired.
4.S ubmit this form, application narrative, and all supporting documents as a single PDF through the

Submit a Land Use Application web page: https://westlinnoregon.gov/planning/submit-land-use-application
The undersigned property owner authorizes the application and grants city staff the right of entry onto the property to review the application. Applications with deposits will be billed monthly for time and materials incurred above the initial deposit. The applicant agrees to pay additional billable charges.



Date


## 1627 Killarney Dr

## Lot Line Adjustment

## 1. Project Description

The Portlock Company, the applicant, is proposing a property line adjustment to address a fence encroachment on parcels identified as Clackamas County Assessor's Map No. 2s-1E-35BB, Tax Lots 9500 and 9600 (Exhibit A); it can also be located by its address, 1601 and 1627 Killarney Dr., West Linn, OR 97068 . The base zone applied to the property is R-10.

The proposed development conforms to all applicable sections of the Community Development Code. This application provides findings of fact that demonstrate conformance with all applicable standards of the previously mentioned governing regulations. Applicable criteria of the CDC will appear in italics followed by the applicant's responses in regular font.

## 2. 85.210 Property Line Adjustment - Approval standards

A. The Director shall approve or deny a request for a property line adjustment based on the criteria stated below:

1. An additional lot or parcel shall not be created by the property line adjustment.

Response: The proposed lot line adjustment is not creating an additional lot or parcel. The criteria is met
2. The existing property shall not be reduced in size by the adjustments below the minimum lot or parcel size established by the approved zoning for that district. The property line adjustment shall not enlarge, increase or extend the non-conformity of a non-conforming lot or non-conforming structure.

Response: Lot 9600 is being reduced to 104 sq ft below the minimum 10,000 sq ft requirement. See the below narrative demonstrating compliance with a Class I variance to allow the lot area to be reduced by 5\% which would then make the new lot size conforming. The criteria is met
3. Property line adjustments shall be either:
a. A straight line (see Figure 1 example);
b. A line with maximum of two 45- to 90-degree turns (see Figure 2 example); or
c. A maximum of three turns less than 45 degrees (see Figure 3 example).

Response: The line adjustment is a straight line. The criteria is met
4. The property line adjustment shall not create a lot or parcel that violates applicable site development regulations.

Response: The proposed lot line adjustment is not creating an additional lot or parcel. The criteria is met
5. The property line adjustment will not adversely affect existing easements or existing utilities unless an easement vacation is obtained, replacement easements are established, or any required utility relocations are paid for by the applicant.

[^0]6. Proposed property line adjustments that cannot meet these standards are subject to review under CDC 99.060(B)(2)(e).
7. Any appeal must be filed in accordance with CDC 99.240.
B. The provisions of CDC 85.070 shall also apply to property line adjustments.

Response: This application does not propose to create a lot or parcel that violates site development standards as stated above in this narrative. This application does not propose to vacate, alter, or adversely affect existing easements or utilities. The applicant acknowledges and understands the approval and appeal provisions. To the extent they apply, the criteria are met.

## 3. 75.020 Classification of Variances

A. Class I Variance. Class I variances provide minor relief from certain code provisions where it can be demonstrated that the modification will not harm adjacent properties, and it conforms with any other code requirements. Class I variances are allowed for the following code provisions:

1. Required Yard and Minimum Lot Dimensional Requirements. Required yards may be modified up to 20 percent, lot dimensions by up to 10 percent and lot area by up to five percent if the decision-making authority finds that the resulting approval:
a. Provides for a more efficient use of the site;
b. Preserves and incorporates natural features into the overall design of the project;
c. Does not adversely affect adjoining properties in terms of light, air circulation, noise levels, privacy, and fire hazards; and
d. Provides for safe vehicular and pedestrian access to the site and safe on-site vehicular and pedestrian circulation.
Response: The reduction of $0.1 \%$ of lot area being proposed is well within the allowed 5\% of lot area reduction. This does not adversely affect adjoining properties in terms of light, air circulation, noise levels, privacy or fire hazards. The rest of the criteria are non-applicable to this proposal. The criteria has been met
2. Off-street parking dimensional and minimum number of space requirements may be modified up to 10 percent if the decision-making authority finds that the use is designed for a specific purpose, which is intended to be permanent in nature.

## Response: This criteria is not applicable

3. Dimensional sign requirements may be modified up to 10 percent if the decision-making authority finds that the proposed larger sign is:
a. Necessary for adequate identification of the use on the property; and
b. Compatible with the overall site plan, the structural improvements, and with the structures and uses on adjoining properties.

Response: This criteria is not applicable
4. Landscaping requirements in the applicable zone may be modified up to 10 percent if the decisionmaking authority finds that the resulting approval:
a. Provides for a more efficient use of the site;
b. Preserves and incorporates natural features into the overall design of the project; and
c. Will have no adverse effect on adjoining property.

Response: This criteria is not applicable
4. Conclusion:

This application narrative and accompanying property line adjustment exhibit demonstrate that all applicable provisions of the West Linn Community Development Code are satisfied. The applicant respectfully requests approval of this proposal.



## EXHIBIT PD-2: COMPLETENESS LETTER



December 21, 2023

The Portlock Company
2172 Tanner Drive
West Linn, OR 97068

SUBJECT: LLA-23-04/VAR-23-03: A proposed property line adjustment between 1601 and 1627 Killarney Drive, as well as a Class I Variance to reduce the lot size at 1627 Killarney Drive below minimum standards for the R-10 zone

Greetings,

You submitted this application on December 12, 2023. The Planning Department has reviewed the materials and finds that this application is complete. The City has 120 days to exhaust all local review; that period ends on April 21, 2024.

Please be aware that a determination of a complete application does not guarantee a recommendation of approval from staff for your proposal as submitted - it signals that staff believes you have provided the necessary information for the Planning Director to render a decision on your proposal.

A 14-day public notice will be prepared and mailed. This notice will identify the earliest potential decision date by the Planning Director.

Please contact me at 503-742-6064, or by email at dwyss@westlinnoregon.gov if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,


## Darren Wyss

Planning Manager

## EXHIBIT PD-3: EXISTING RECORDED PLATS




## EXHIBIT PD-4: AFFIDAVIT AND NOTICE PACKET

AFFIDAVIT OF NOTICE PLANNING MANAGER DECISION

We, the undersigned, certify that, in the interest of the party (parties) initiating a proposed land use, the following took place on the dates indicated below:

## PROJECT

File No.:LLA-23-04/VAR-23-03 Applicant's Name: JJ Portlock
Development Address: 1627 Killarney DR
Planning Manager Decision no earlier than Jan 5, 2024.

## MAILED NOTICE

Notice of Upcoming Planning Manager Decision was mailed at least 14days before the decision, per Section 99.080 of the CDC to:

| Emerio Design, applicant representative | $12 / 22 / 23$ | Lynn Schroder |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| The Portlock Company, property owner | $12 / 22 / 23$ | Lynn Schroder |
| Steve Strickland, property owner | $12 / 22 / 23$ | Lynn Schroder |
| Property owners within 300ft of the site perimeter | $12 / 22 / 23$ | Lynn Schroder |
| Willamette Neighborhood Association | $12 / 22 / 23$ | Lynn Schroder |

## EMAILED NOTICE

Notice of Upcoming Planning Manager Decision was emailed at least 14 days before the decision to:

| WillametteNeighborhood Association | $12 / 22 / 23$ | Lynn Schroder |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| JJ Portlock, applicant | $12 / 22 / 23$ | Lynn Schroder |

## WEBSITE

Notice of Upcoming Planning Manager Decision was posted on the City's website at least 14 days before the decision.

## 12/22/23 Lynn Schroder

## SIGN

A sign for Upcoming Planning Manager Decision was posted on the property at least 10 days before the decision, per Section 99.080 of the CDC.

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12/22/23 Ben Gardner
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## FINAL DECISION

Notice of Final Decision was mailed to the applicant, all parties with standing, and posted on the City's website, per Section 99.040 of the CDC.

01/09/23

# CITY OF WEST LINN NOTICE OF UPCOMING PLANNING MANAGER DECISION <br> FILE NO. LLA-23-04/VAR-23-03 

The West Linn Planning Manager is considering a request for a Property Line Adjustment between 1601 Killarney Drive and 1627 Killarney Drive, including a Class I Variance for 1627 Killarney Drive to reduce the minimum required lot size by 0.1 percent to accommodate an existing fence encroachment.

The decision will be based on the approval criteria in Chapters 11, 75, 85 , and 99 of the Community Development Code (CDC). The approval criteria from the CDC are available for review on the City website http://www.westlinnoregon.gov/cdc or at City Hall and the City Library.

All relevant materials for the proposal are available for inspection at no cost at City Hall, and on the City's website https://westlinnoregon.gov/planning/1627-killarney-drive-lot-line-adjustment-and-class-1-variance or copies may be obtained at a minimum charge per page.

A public hearing will not be held for this decision. Anyone wishing to submit written testimony for consideration on this matter shall submit all material before 4:00 p.m. on January 5, 2024, to dwyss@westlinnoregon.gov or mail them to City Hall, 22500 Salamo Road, West Linn, OR 97068. All comments must be received by the deadline.

It is important to submit all testimony in response to this notice. All comments submitted for consideration of this application should relate specifically to the applicable criteria. Failure to raise an issue in a hearing, in person, or by letter, or failure to provide sufficient specificity to afford the decision-maker an opportunity to respond to the issue, precludes appeal to the Oregon Land Use Board of Appeals based on that issue.

The final decision will be posted on the website and available at City Hall. Persons with party status may appeal the decision by submitting an appeal application to the Planning Department within 14 days of mailing the notice of the final decision pursuant to CDC 99.240.

For additional information, please contact Darren Wyss, Planning Manager, at 503-742-6064 or dwyss@westlinnoregon.gov.

LLA-23-04 Notified Properties within 300 feet of 1627 Killarney Drive


NOTICE OF UPCOMING<br>PLANNING MANAGER DECISION

PROJECT \# LLA-23-04/VAR-23-03
MAIL: 12/22/2023 TIDINGS: N/A

## CITIZEN CONTACT INFORMATION

To lessen the bulk of agenda packets and land use application notice, and to address the concerns of some City residents about testimony contact information and online application packets containing their names and addresses as a reflection of the mailing notice area, this sheet substitutes for the photocopy of the testimony forms and/or mailing labels. A copy is available upon request.


[^0]:    Response: The proposed lot line adjustment does not affect any existing easements or utilities. The criteria is met

