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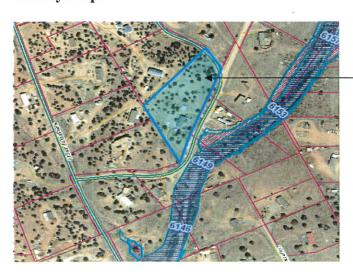
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FILE REF: CASE # APP 18-5071 Angelo Ortega, Appeal.

ISSUE:

Angelo Ortega, Appellant, is appealing the Santa Fe County Planning Commission's decision to deny a variance of the Sustainable Land Development Code (SLDC), of Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.1 to allow an accessory dwelling within a major subdivision. If the appeal is approved by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC), the Appellant, requests a partial plat vacation to modify a plat note that prohibits guest houses within the Vista de Sandia Subdivision to allow lot 10 to have an accessory dwelling unit. The property is located at 120 North Paseo De Angel, within the La Cienega and La Cieneguilla Community District Overlay (LCLCCD) (RES-E), within Section 22, Township 16 North, Range 8 East (Commission District 3).

Vicinity Map:



Site Location

SUMMARY:

On April 16, 2018, Angelo Ortega submitted an application requesting a variance to allow an accessory dwelling unit within a major subdivision and a variance to allow an accessory dwelling to have its own separate liquid waste system.

On June 14, 2018, that application was presented to the Hearing Officer. The Hearing Officer recommended supporting the application based on the evidence and testimony presented at the public hearing as well as the precedent of the Dorothy Montoya variance application. Ms. Montoya's application was a request to allow an accessory dwelling unit within a major subdivision and to allow an accessory dwelling to have its own separate liquid waste system within the same subdivision. In regards to Angelo Ortega's application, the Hearing Officer found that the application was not contrary to the public interest, was in the spirit of the SLDC, and since there was a finding in Ms. Montoya's application of extraordinary and exceptional situations or conditions of the property, as required in order to grant a variance, that the same finding will be made here. In a written Order, the Hearing Officer recommended approval of a variance of Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.1 to allow an accessory dwelling within a major subdivision (Vista de Sandia Subdivision), and a variance of Section 10.4.2.4 (Utilities) to allow a separate liquid waste system for the accessory dwelling unit. The Hearing Officer supported the application as memorialized in the findings of fact and conclusions of law in a written order subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Applicant must request a partial plat vacation to modify the note that prohibits guest houses and re-record the plat;
- 2. Applicant must install a meter on the well and submit proof at time of development application; and
- 3. Applicant will ensure that water use on Lot 10 does not exceed a total of 0.25-acre feet per year for the dwelling and accessory dwelling combined.

The written order and minutes of the June 14th hearing are attached as Exhibit 6.

On July 19, 2018, the variance application was presented to the Santa Fe County Planning Commission. The Planning Commission denied the variances requested to allow an accessory dwelling unit within a major subdivision and the variance request to allow a separate liquid waste system for the accessory dwelling unit. The Planning Commission denied the request, in part, because there was insufficient information to determine whether the accessory dwelling would impact the limited resources of the development and the Applicant failed to provide any documentation from NMED that an additional septic system is required. The written order and minutes of the July 19th hearing are attached as Exhibit 7.

On September 27, 2018, Angelo Ortega filed an application requesting an appeal of the Planning Commission's Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law, pertaining to the requested variance to allow an accessory dwelling unit within a major subdivision. In addition, the Appellant provided an updated/approved liquid waste permit attached as Exhibit 3, from New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) stating "The proposed system constitutes one system or designed dtd." Staff has determined that the approved liquid waste permit is compliant with the SLDC, meeting the code requirements set forth in Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.4 (Utilities). Therefore, a variance a Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.4 is no longer needed.

Mr. Ortega referenced a fellow neighbor, Dorothy Montoya, in his letter of appeal (Exhibit 1). The letter stated, "This request was also presented to the Santa Fe County Hearing Officer on June 14, 2018. The Hearing Officer supported the Application based on evidence and testimony presented at the Public Hearing as well as the precedent of the Montoya Application (Case # V 17-5230) described above."

On December 21, 2017, hearing, the Planning Commission granted Ms. Montoya's request of a variance from Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.1 to allow an accessory dwelling unit within a major subdivision and a variance of Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.4 (Utilities) to allow a separate liquid waste system for the accessory dwelling unit. The Commission found that both variances would not be contrary to the public interest, exceptional situations exist, and the strict application of the code would result in peculiar and exceptional practical difficulties or exceptional and undue hardship on the owner and the spirit of the SLDC is observed. The written order and minutes of the December 21st hearing are attached as Exhibit 19.

On March 13, 2018, Ms. Montoya went before the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) hearing for a request to allow a partial plat vacation to modify a plat note that prohibited guest houses within the Vista de Sandia Subdivision to allow lot 7 to have an accessory dwelling unit, and an amendment to a previously imposed condition by the BCC prohibiting guest houses. The BCC approved Ms. Montoya's request to allow a partial plat vacation of the Vista de Sandia Subdivision (Exhibit 22).

Angelo Ortega's variance requests differed from Ms. Montoya's variance requests, which was approved on December 21, 2017. Mr. Ortega's variances did not provide unique facts to the Planning Commission. Contrary to Ms. Montoya, Mr. Ortega did not prove undue hardship or unique situations. In addition, Mr. Ortega's did not allege any similar facts with regard to the condition of his property that creates a hardship.

If the appeal and the variance is granted to allow an accessory dwelling unit within a major subdivision, the Appellant, requests a partial plat vacation to modify a plat note 12 on the Plat of Survey for Vista de Sandia Corporation Subdivision, duly recorded in Book 333 Page 004 of the Records of Santa Fe County Clerk, that prohibits guest houses within the Vista de Sandia Subdivision to allow lot 10 to have an accessory dwelling unit. The plat is attached hereto as exhibit 5. The Applicant has submitted an acknowledged statement, declaring a portion of the final plat to be vacated, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 8.

Appellant's Statement: The use matrix depicts an "A" within this zoning district which is an Accessory Use. The letter "A" indicates that the listed use is permitted only where it is accessory to a use that is permitted or conditionally approved for that district. Accessory uses shall be clearly incidental and subordinate to the principal use and located on the same tract/lot as the principal use.

The subject property is located within the Residential Estate (RES-E) zoning district which is one dwelling unit per 2.5 acres. The proposed accessory dwelling unit which is an "A" in the RES-E use matrix fully complies with the standards of the underlining zoning district. The zoning district allows accessory dwelling units and in no way authorizes a use that is otherwise prohibited in the zoning district. The Planning Commission's decision deprived the property owner of privileges that are enjoyed by other property owners in this same district as described below.

Staff Response: The Appellant's property is located within a major subdivision. Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.1, states that platted major subdivisions shall only be permitted to have an accessory dwelling unit if their approval and reports and SRAs allowed and accounted for this. On January 10, 1995, the BCC granted final approval for a 16-lot residential subdivision (Vista de Sandia Subdivision) on 42.0 acres. In a memorandum prepared by staff, staff presented the memorandum to the BCC that contained staff recommendations and conditions of approval for the final approval of the Vista de Sandia Subdivision. Within the memorandum, contained a list of conditions one being water restrictions of 0.25-acre feet per lot, per year and one condition that prohibits guest houses within the subdivision. The memorandum is attached as Exhibit 20. The Vista de Sandia Corporation Subdivision completed a Hydrological Review in August, 1994. The Vista de Sandia subdivision Hydrological Review water availability report, attached hereto as Exhibit 17, concluded that 0.28-acre feet per lot, per year, was available. Water was found to be sufficient to support 2.5 acre lots within the development with one single family residence, which would include water restrictions. Therefore, the submittals for approval of the Vista de Sandia Corporation Subdivision failed to establish there was sufficient water for two dwelling units. None of the reports accounted for a primary residence and accessory dwelling unit on each lot of the subdivision. Staff recommended denial of the Applicant's variance request because water use was restricted to 0.25acre feet per lot, per year in the Vista de Sandia Subdivision and because Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.1., Number Permitted states, "[o]nly one accessory dwelling unit shall be permitted per legal lot of record. Platted major subdivisions shall only be permitted to have an accessory dwelling unit if their approval and reports and SRAs allowed and accounted for this."

Appellant's Statement: On December 21, 2017, a matter went before the Planning Commission on the Application of Dorothy Montoya. The Planning Commission granted approval of the Application for the variance from Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.1 to allow an accessory dwelling unit within a major subdivision and a variance of Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.4 (Utilities) to allow a separate liquid waste system for the accessory dwelling unit. The Dorothy Montoya property is located within the same Subdivision (Vista de Sandia) as our client and the variance requests were similar in nature. The BCC also approved a partial plat vacation to remove note # 12 and allowed an accessory dwelling unit (Guest House) on the property.

This request was also presented to the Santa Fe County Hearing Officer on June 14, 2018. The Hearing Officer supported the Application based on evidence and testimony presented at the Public Hearing as well as the precedent of the Montoya Application (Case # V 17-5230) described above.

Staff Response: The approval of Dorothy Montoya's variance requests and partial plat vacation does not set precedent in this matter.

As to the requested variance from Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.4 to allow a separate liquid waste system for the proposed accessory dwelling, the Commission found that Ms. Montoya's property was split level causing terrain constraints making it difficult, costly and ineffective to utilize the primary septic system. The Applicant did not allege any similar facts with regard to the condition of his property that creates a hardship.

As to the requested variance from Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.1 to allow an accessory dwelling within a major subdivision, the Commission found that the request was not contrary to the public interest, exceptional situations exist, and the strict application of the code would result in peculiar and exceptional practical difficulties or exceptional and undue hardship on the owner and the spirit

of the SLDC is observed. Again, Ms. Montoya provided very unique facts to both the Planning Commission and the BCC. Ms. Montoya came in for an addition on August 23, 2016, with the intention of adding on to her existing modular home to increase the size, so she could obtain a permit for an accessory dwelling unit of 1,350 square feet that met the standards of Ordinance 2015-11 (SLDC). At the time, the SLDC did not prohibit accessory dwelling units in a major subdivision. This provision was added as part of Ordinance 2016-9. The changes also included that heated floor area be used for determining size of the accessory dwelling unit which previously was building footprint. The SLDC changes along with plat note #12 held up the application process for Ms. Montoya.

Appellant's Statement: Since the case was heard on July 19, 2018, we have met with the New Mexico Environment Department and have received a new permit which combines the new septic system with the existing system so that they are in common as required by Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.4. We feel that this satisfies the Code requirement and we no longer will be requesting a variance of this standard. The new septic system permit is attached with the Application.

Staff Response: The Appellant has provided staff with an amended/approved liquid waste permit identifying the liquid waste system as one system. Staff agrees that the Appellant no longer needs to request a variance of Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.4 (Utilities).

4.9.7. Variances.

- **4.9.7.1. Purpose.** The purpose of this Section is to provide a mechanism in the form of a variance that grants a landowner relief from certain standards in this code where, due to extraordinary and exceptional situations or conditions of the property, the strict application of the code would result in peculiar and exceptional practical difficulties or exceptional and undue hardship on the owner. The granting of an area variance shall allow a deviation from the dimensional requirements and standards of the Code, but in no way shall it authorize a use of land that is otherwise prohibited in the relevant zoning district.
- **4.9.7.4. Review criteria.** A variance may be granted only by a majority of all the members of the Planning Commission (or the Board, on appeal from the Planning Commission) based upon the following criteria:
 - 1. where the request is not contrary to the public interest;
 - 2. where due to extraordinary and exceptional situations or conditions of the property, the strict application of the code would result in peculiar and exceptional practical difficulties or exceptional and undue hardship on the owner; and
 - 3. so that the spirit of the SLDC is observed and substantial justice is done.

4.9.7.5. Conditions of approval.

- 1. The Planning Commission may impose conditions on a variance request necessary to accomplish the purposes and intent of the SLDC and the SGMP and to prevent or minimize adverse impacts on the general health, safety and welfare of property owners and area residents.
- **2.** All approved variances run with the land, unless conditions of approval imposed by the Planning Commission specify otherwise.
- 3. All approved variances automatically expire within one year of the date of approval, unless the applicant files a plat implementing the variance or substantial construction of the building or structure authorized by the variance occurs within that time.

The Applicant has addressed the Variance Criteria as follows:

1. Where the request is not contrary to the public interest.

Applicant's Statement: The proposed accessory dwelling unit will be occupied by the daughter of the Applicant. The Applicant's daughter already resides on the property within the existing home. Accessory dwelling units are an important means by which persons can provide separate and affordable housing for elderly, single parent and multi-generational family situations. There will be no immediate or significant impact to the public in regards to water, liquid waste and traffic. The proposed accessory dwelling unit complies with all other provisions as outlined in Chapter 10, Section 10.4 of the SLDC.

Staff Response: Accessory dwelling units are permissible only: where permitted by the Use Matrix, where constructed and maintained in compliance with section 10.4 and within major subdivisions if their approval and reports and Studies Reports and Assessments (SRA's) allowed and accounted for this. In 1996, Vista de Sandia Subdivision was approved for a 16-lot subdivision. Lot sizes were derived from a Hydrologic Review, which proved 0.28-acre feet per lot. Water was found to be sufficient to support 2.5 acre lots within the development with one single family residence, which would include water restrictions. Therefore, the submittals for approval of the Vista de Sandia Corporation Subdivision failed to establish there was sufficient water for two dwelling units. The Appellant has asserted that the intent for approval of an accessory dwelling unit is to provide housing for his daughter. However, once an accessory dwelling unit is approved, there is no restriction as to whom or how many people can live in the accessory dwelling unit. Water usage may increase if an accessory dwelling unit is approved for Lot 10.

2. Where due to extraordinary and exceptional situations or conditions of the property, the strict application of the code would result in peculiar and exceptional practical difficulties or exceptional and undue hardship on the owner.

Applicant's Statement: Chapter 4, Section 4.9.7.3 (Applicability) of the SLDC states, "The Planning Commission may grant a zoning variance from any provision of the SLDC except that the Planning Commission shall not grant a variance that authorizes a use of land that is otherwise prohibited in the relevant zoning districts."

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The use matrix depicts an "A" within this zoning district which is an Accessory Use. The letter "A" indicates that the listed use is permitted only where it is accessory to a use that is permitted or conditionally approved for that district. Accessory uses shall be clearly incidental and subordinate to the principal use and located on the same tract/lot as the principal use. The Planning Commission's decision to deny the requested variance to allow an accessory dwelling unit and require strict application of the SLDC deprived that Applicant of privileges enjoyed by other properties in the same vicinity or zone based on the property being located within a Major Subdivision.

Staff Response: Chapter 4, Section 4.4.10., Review and Final Action by the Planning Commission or the Board states, "[u]pon receipt of a complete application and appropriate recommendation of the Administrator or the Hearing Officer, the Planning Commission or the Board shall review the application for compliance with the SLDC and other applicable law. Following completion of the review and following a public hearing on the application, the Planning Commission or the Board, as applicable, may take final action, make the appropriate recommendation or take other appropriate action."

Chapter 4, Section 4.4.11. Conditions states, "[i]n acting upon an application, the decision-making body shall be authorized to impose such conditions upon the application as allowed by law and as may be necessary to reduce or minimize any potential adverse impact upon other property in the area or to carry out the general purpose and intent of the SLDC, so long as the condition relates to a situation created or aggravated by the proposed use and is roughly proportional to its impact.

The Appellant's property is located within a major subdivision. Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.1, states that platted major subdivisions shall only be permitted to have an accessory dwelling unit if their approval and reports and SRAs allowed and accounted for this. On January 10, 1995, the BCC granted final approval for a 16-lot residential subdivision (Vista de Sandia Subdivision) on 42.0 acres. In a memorandum prepared by staff, staff presented the memorandum to the BCC that contained staff recommendations and conditions of approval for the final approval of the Vista de Sandia Subdivision. Within the memorandum, contained a list of conditions one being water restrictions of 0.25-acre feet per lot, per year, and one condition that prohibits guest houses within the subdivision. The memorandum is attached as Exhibit 20. The Vista de Sandia Corporation Subdivision completed a Hydrological Review in August, 1994. The Vista de Sandia subdivision Hydrological Review water availability report, attached hereto as Exhibit 17, concluded that 0.28acre feet, per lot, per year, was available. Water was found to be sufficient to support 2.5 acre lots within the development with one single family residence, which would include water availability. Therefore, the submittals for approval of the Vista de Sandia Corporation Subdivision failed to establish there was sufficient water for two dwelling units. None of the reports accounted for a primary residence and accessory dwelling unit on each lot of the subdivision. Staff recommended denial of the Applicant's variance request because water use was restricted to 0.25-acre feet, per year in the Vista de Sandia Subdivision and because Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.1., Number Permitted states, "[o]nly one accessory dwelling unit shall be permitted per legal lot of record. Platted major subdivisions shall only be permitted to have an accessory dwelling unit if their approval and reports and SRAs allowed and accounted for this."

3. So that the spirit of the SLDC is observed and substantial justice is done.

Applicant's Statement: Based on the decision of the Planning Commission to deny the requested variance to allow an accessory dwelling unit substantial justice was not done. The Applicant was deprived the privileges that other property owners enjoy in the same zoning district. The Applicant cannot provide affordable housing for family members (daughter) which is why this mechanism was placed within the SLDC and;

On December 21, 2017, a matter went before the Planning Commission on the Application of Dorothy Montoya. The Planning Commission granted approval of the Application for the variance from Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.1 to allow an accessory dwelling unit within a major subdivision and a variance of Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.4 (Utilities) to allow a separate liquid waste system for the accessory dwelling unit. The Dorothy Montoya property is located within the same Subdivision (Vista de Sandia) as our client and the variance requests were similar in nature and;

This request was also presented to the Santa Fe County Hearing Officer on June 14, 2018. The Hearing Officer supported the Application based on evidence and testimony presented at the Public Hearing as well as the precedent of the Montoya Application (Case # V17-5230).

Staff Response: As previously stated in the staff response to this statement, Ms. Montoya applied for several variances that were not the equivalent to the Appellant's request. The Planning Commission approved Ms. Montoya's variance request of Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.4 and Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.1 based on terrain constraints, the request was not contrary to the public interest, exceptional situations existed, and the strict application of the code would result in peculiar and exceptional practical difficulties or exceptional and undue hardship on the owner and the spirit of the SLDC is observed. Mr. Ortega's variance requests differed from Ms. Montoya's variance requests. Mr. Ortega's variances did not provide unique facts to the Planning Commission. Contrary to Ms. Montoya, Mr. Ortega did not prove undue hardship or unique situations. In addition, Mr. Ortega's did not allege any similar facts with regard to the condition of his property that creates a hardship.

The applicable requirements under the Santa Fe County Sustainable Land Development Code, Ordinance No. 2016-9 (SLDC), which govern this Application are the following:

4.5.4. Appeal of a Final Decision of the Planning Commission. Any party with standing may appeal a final decision of the Planning Commission to the Board. The application seeking an appeal of a decision of the Planning Commission must be filed with the Administrator. An appeal from a decision of the Planning Commission must be filed within thirty (30) working days of the date of the decision and recordation of the final development order by the Planning Commission. The application shall be forwarded by the Administrator to the Board. The Administrator shall provide to the Board a copy of the record of the proceedings below of the decision appealed. The appeal shall be placed on the docket of the Board for consideration on the next available agenda. An appeal of the decision of the Planning Commission shall be reviewed *de novo* by the Board. The timely filing of an appeal shall stay further processing of the application unless the Board determines that special circumstances exist.

10.4. ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS.

- 10.4.1. Purpose and Findings. Accessory dwellings units are an important means by which persons can provide separate and affordable housing for elderly, single-parent, and multigenerational family situations. This Section permits the development of a small dwelling unit separate and accessory to a principal residence. Design standards are established to ensure that accessory dwelling units are located, designed and constructed in such a manner that, to the maximum extent feasible, the appearance of the property is consistent with the zoning district in which the structure is located.
- **10.4.2. Applicability.** This Section applies to any accessory dwelling unit located in a building whether or not attached to the principal dwelling. Accessory dwelling units shall be clearly incidental and subordinate to the use of the principal dwelling. Accessory dwelling units are permissible only: (a) where permitted by the Use Matrix; and (b) where constructed and maintained in compliance with this Section 10.4.
 - **10.4.2.1. Number Permitted**. Only one accessory dwelling unit shall be permitted per legal lot of record. Platted major subdivisions shall only be permitted to have an accessory dwelling unit if their approval and reports and SRAs allowed and accounted for this.

5.11.2 Vacation of Approved Plat

- **5.11.2.1. Applicability.** Any final plat filed in the Office of the County Clerk may be vacated, or a portion of the final plat may be vacated, if:
 - 1. the owners of the land proposed to be vacated sign an acknowledged statement, declaring the final plat or a portion of the final plat to be vacated;
 - 2. the statement is approved by the Board; and
 - **3.** if the plat, or portion of plat, to be vacated was initially approved through an administrative process, the Administrator may approve the vacation or partial vacation of the plat.
- **5.11.2.2. Application.** The owners of all or a portion of the lots in any approved subdivision may initiate a plat vacation by filing an application with the Administrator. The application shall include the acknowledged statement required by Section 5.11.2.1.1. The application requesting vacation of the plat and an application requesting a re-subdivision of the plat may be filed concurrently.

5.11.2.3. Review.

1. **Process.** The Administrator shall review and process the application and the acknowledged statement of the plat vacation as provided [by] Table 4-1. The application and acknowledged statement shall be approved, conditionally approved, or disapproved at a regular public meeting of the Board, or by the Administrator in accordance with Section 5.11.2.1.3 above.

2. Standards. The Administrator or Board shall approve the application for vacation on such terms and conditions as are reasonable to protect the public health, safety, and welfare. The Administrator or Board shall not approve an application for vacation if it will adversely affect the interests of the persons on contiguous land or persons within the subdivision being vacated.

Notice requirements were met as per Chapter 4, Section 4.6.3., General Notice of Application Requiring a Public Hearing, of the SLDC. In advance of a hearing on the application, the Appellant provided an affidavit of posting of notice of the hearing, confirming that public notice posting regarding the Application was made for fifteen days on the property, beginning on October 18, 2018. Additionally, notice of hearing was published in the legal notice section of the Santa Fe New Mexican on October 23, 2018, as evidenced by a copy of that legal notice contained in the record. Notice of the hearing was sent to owners of land within 500' of the subject property. In addition a list of persons who were sent a mailing is contained in the record.

This Appeal was submitted on October 3, 2018.

APPROVAL SOUGHT:

The Appellant is requesting that the BCC overturn the Santa Fe County Planning Commissions decision to deny the variance request to allow an accessory dwelling unit within a major subdivision. If the appeal is granted and the variances is approved by the BCC, the Appellant, requests a partial plat vacation to modify a plat note that prohibits guest houses within the Vista de Sandia Subdivision to allow lot 10 to have an accessory dwelling unit.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends denial of the Appellant's request, and that the BCC uphold the Santa Fe County Planning Commission's decision to deny the Appellants variance request to allow an accessory dwelling within a major subdivision and therefore not act upon the partial plat vacation.

EXHIBITS:

- 1. Letter of Appeal
- 2. Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.1
- 3. Approved NMED Liquid Waste Permit
- 4. Aerial of Site of Surrounding Area
- 5. Recorded Plat of Survey for Vista de Sandia Subdivision
- 6. Hearing Officer's Final Order/Meeting Minutes
- 7. Planning Commission's Final Order/Meeting Minutes
- 8. Acknowledge Statement
- 9. Proposed Site Plan
- 10. Chapter 5, Section 5.11.2.1
- 11. Notice
- 12. Fire Prevention Division Fire Plans Review
- 13. Public Works Division Memorandum
- 14. Letter of Support from Chika N. Ezeanyim (NMED)
- 15. Warranty Deed
- 16. Pre-Application Neighborhood Meeting Material
- 17. Vista De Sandia Subdivision HydroGeologic Review
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- 18. Vista de Sandia Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions
- 19. Planning Commission's Final Order/Meeting Minutes (Dorothy Montoya)
- 20. January, 1995 Staff Memorandum for Vista de Sandia Subdivision
- 21. January 10, 1995, BCC Meeting Minutes for Vista de Sandia Subdivision
- 22. BCC Final Order/Meeting minutes (Dorothy Montoya)



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Re: Angelo Ortega Appeal

Dear Miguel:

On behalf of Angelo Ortega, we request to appeal the decision of the Planning Commission to deny a variance to the requirements set forth in the Sustainable Land Development Code (SLDC) of Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.1 to allow an accessory dwelling unit within a major subdivision to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC). With this Application we also request that the BCC take action on a partial plat vacation and remove note # 12 which prohibits guest houses on the property. The property is located at 120 North Paseo De Angel, within the La Cienega and La Cieneguilla Community District Overlay (LCLCCD) (RES-E), within Section 22, Township 16 North, Range 8 East (Commission District 2).

The use matrix depicts an "A" within this zoning district which is Accessory Use. The letter "A" indicates that the listed use is permitted only where it is accessory to a use that is permitted or conditionally approved for that district. Accessory uses shall be clearly incidental and subordinate to the principal use and located on the same tract/lot as the principal use.

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Criteria for Variance

1. Where the request is not contrary to the public interest

Applicant's Statement:

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2. Where due to extraordinary and exceptional situations or conditions of the property, the strict application of the code would result in peculiar and exceptional practical difficulties or exceptional and undue hardship on the owner:

Applicant's Statement:

Chapter 4, Section 4.9.7.3 (Applicability) of the SLDC states "the planning commission may grant a zoning variance from any provision of the SLDC except that the planning commission shall not grant a variance that authorizes a use of land that is otherwise prohibited in the relevant zoning district."

The use matrix depicts an "A" within this zoning district which is a Accessory Use. The letter "A" indicates that the listed use is permitted only where it is accessory to a use that is permitted or conditionally approved for that district. Accessory uses shall be clearly incidental and subordinate to the principal use and located on the same tract/lot as the principal use. The Planning Commission's decision to deny the requested variance to allow an accessory dwelling unit and require strict application of the SLDC deprived the Applicant of privileges enjoyed by other property in the same vicinity or zone based on the property being located within a Major Subdivision.

3. So that the spirit of the SLDC is observed and substantial justice is done.

Applicant's Statement:

Based on the decision of the Planning Commission to deny the requested variance to allow an accessory dwelling unit substantial justice was not done. The Applicant was deprived the privileges that other property owners enjoy in the same zoning district. The Applicant cannot provide affordable housing for family members (daughter) which is why this mechanism was placed within the SLDC and;

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This request was also presented to the Santa Fe County Hearing Officer on June 14, 2018. The Hearing Officer supported the Application based on evidence and testimony presented at the Public Hearing as well as the precedent of the Montoya Application (Case # V 17-5230) described above.

- 10.3.2.3. The accessory structure shall not contain a kitchen or cooking facilities, including kitchen appliances, unless approved as part of an approved home occupation or non-residential use. If a kitchen is provided for such use, the accessory structure shall not also contain a half bathroom.
- 10.3.2.4. Agricultural and grazing and/or ranching accessory structures shall be permitted on property where the principal use is agriculture, grazing and/or ranching, provided that a development permit is obtained in accordance with the siting and design standards of this SLDC:
- 10.3.2.5. Residential accessory structures shall not be designed such that they can be used for dwelling purposes. Accessory dwelling units are governed by Section 10.4.
- 10.3.2.6. Residential accessory structures shall not contain a full bathroom; a toilet and sink shall be permitted but no shower or bath shall be permitted.
- 10.3.2.7. An accessory structure may be approved on a lot adjacent to a lot containing a principal structure where both lots are in common ownership, where the lot with the principal structure has terrain or locational constraints.

10.4. ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS.

- 10.4.1. Purpose and Findings. Accessory dwellings units are an important means by which persons can provide separate and affordable housing for elderly, single-parent, and multigenerational family situations. This Section permits the development of a small dwelling unit separate and accessory to a principal residence. Design standards are established to ensure that accessory dwelling units are located, designed and constructed in such a manner that, to the maximum extent feasible, the appearance of the property is consistent with the zoning district in which the structure is located.
- 10.4.2. Applicability. This Section applies to any accessory dwelling unit located in a building whether or not attached to the principal dwelling. Accessory dwelling units shall be clearly incidental and subordinate to the use of the principal dwelling. Accessory dwelling units are permissible only: (a) where permitted by the Use Matrix; and (b) where constructed and maintained in compliance with this Section 10.4.
 - **10.4.2.1.** Number Permitted. Only one accessory dwelling unit shall be permitted per legal lot of record. Platted major subdivisions shall only be permitted to have an accessory dwelling unit if their approval and reports and SRAs allowed and accounted for this.
 - 10.4.2.2. Size. The heated area of the accessory dwelling unit shall not exceed the lesser of: (a) fifty percent (50%) of the heated floor area of the principal residence; or (b) 1,400 square feet.

10.4.2.3. Building and Site Design.

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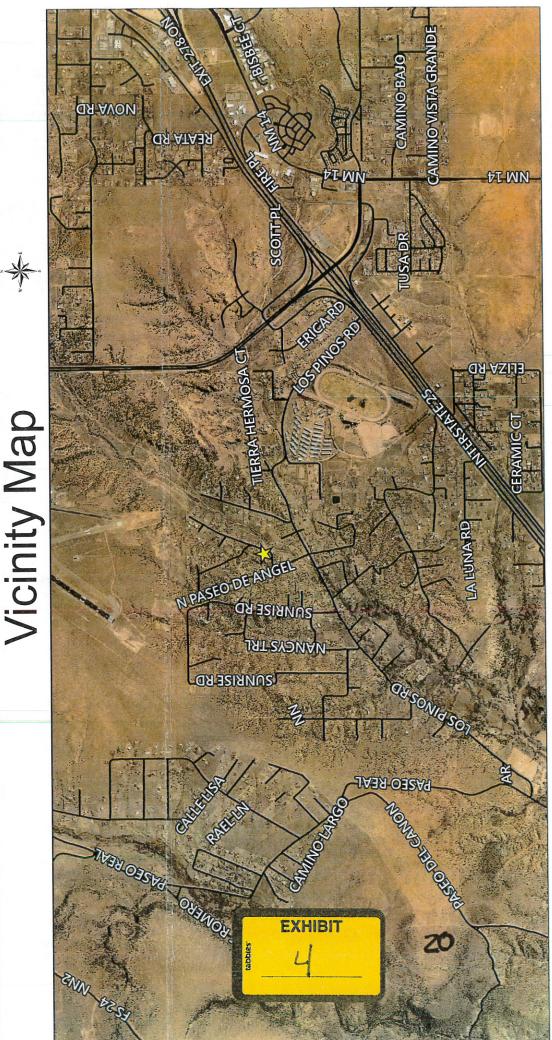
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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSION APPROVAL JANUARY 10, 1995.

SANTA FE COUNTY APPROVAL

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 94-2173

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Sustainable Land Development Code Hearing Officer Meeting June 14, 2018 CASE NO. V18-5070 Angelo Ortega, Applicant

RECOMMENDED DECISION AND ORDER

THIS MATTER came before the Sustainable Land Development Code Hearing Officer for hearing on June 14, 2018, on the application of Angelo Ortega (Applicant) for variances of the Sustainable Land Development Code (SLDC). Applicant seeks a variance of Chapter 10.4.2.1 (Number Permitted) to allow an accessory dwelling within a major subdivision and a variance of Chapter 10.4.2.4 (Utilities) to allow a separate liquid waste system for the accessory dwelling unit. The property is located at 120 N Paseo de Angel Road (Property) within the La Cienega and La Cieneguilla Community District Overlay, within the Residential Estate Zoning District, within Section 22, Township 16 North, Range 8 East (Commission District 3). The Hearing Officer, having reviewed the application, staff reports, and having conducted a public hearing on the request, finds that the variances should be granted, subject to certain conditions and makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

- 1. On March 6, 2018, Applicant submitted his application for the variances.
- 2. As required by the SLDC, Applicant presented the application to the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) on March 15, 2018, at the regular scheduled monthly meeting, which satisfied the requirements set forth in Chapter 4, Section 4.4.4.3 Pre-application TAC Meeting and Table 4-1.
- 3. Notice requirements of the SLDC were met pursuant to Chapter 4, Section 4.6.3., General Notice of Application Requiring a Public Hearing. In advance of the hearing on the



application, Applicant provided an affidavit of posting of notice of the hearing, confirming that public notice posting regarding the application was made for fifteen days on the Property, beginning on May 30, 2018. Additionally, notice of hearing was published in the legal notice section of the Santa Fe New Mexican on May 30, 2018, as evidenced by a copy of that legal notice contained in the record. Notice of the hearing was sent to owners of land within 500 feet of the Property and a list of persons sent a mailing is contained in the record.

- 4. In 1994, an application for Vista de Sandia Subdivision was submitted, which was approved by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) in 1996. Based on the accompanying hydrologic survey, the water use on each of the 16 lots was restricted to 0.25 acre feet. At the time of approval, the BCC established a condition that no guest homes would be allowed within the Subdivision.
- 5. Applicant's property is located within a major subdivision. Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.1 states that platted major subdivisions shall only be permitted to have an accessory dwelling unit if their approval and reports and SRAs allowed and accounted for this. None of the reports accounted for two homes on a single lot.
- 6. Further, Chapter 10, Section 10.4.2.4 (Utilities) requires the principal dwelling to share a septic system with any accessory dwelling.
- 7. Applicant provided that "the accessory dwelling unit will be occupied by my daughter who currently lives with me in my current home." Applicant's principal residence is a 2,300-square foot residence located on a 2.5-acre lot. On March 6, 2018, Applicant requested authorization to construct a 920-square foot accessory dwelling unit on the Property. The 920 square feet proposed accessory dwelling unit is 50% of the 1884 square feet heated space of the