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TO: Honorable County Commissioners

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RE: 04 March 2025 County Board Meeting

Schedule a Public Hearing to Discuss Variance Request for Access

Date: 26 February 2025

Summary

It is requested that the County schedule a public hearing to discuss a variance request for the property at 35220 County 14 Boulevard in Leon Township.

Background

On January 24, 2025, David and Vanessa Jandro submitted an application for an access permit. Their parcel (PID 371000230) has one existing access, and the owners are requesting a second access for the purposes of maintenance on their parcel and constructing a shed.

County staff denied the permit because the proposed access did not meet the spacing requirements outlined in the County's Access Management and Control Ordinance. Furthermore, the parcel currently has a driveway that provides for reasonable and convenient access.

The Access Management and Control Ordinance outlines a process whereby landowners can apply for, and the County Board can grant, variances from the requirements outlined in the ordinance. The Jandros, as owners of the property, have requested to go through the variance process. The variance process requires an application, which was submitted on February 20, 2025, a public hearing (if the variance will be considered), and action by the County Board.

Alternatives

- ➤ Schedule a public hearing to discuss the variance request.
- Take no action, which would uphold the denial of the permit application.

Recommendations

It is the recommendation of staff that the County Board hold a public hearing to discuss this variance request at the April 1, 2025 County Board meeting.