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Pelican Golf Club

Belleair Planning and Zoning Board *March 13, 2017*



Agenda

- > Design Team Introduction
- > Brief Project Overview
- > Variance Requests







Objectives of Golf Improvements

- 1. Complete replacement of the following infrastructure
 - > Drainage System
 - > Irrigation System
 - > Golf Course Turf
- 2. Enhance the strategy and playability of course in style of Donald Ross
 - > Width / Play Space
 - > Green Contours
 - > Green Surrounds







Overall Golf Routing Plan – Front 9









Proposed Golf Scorecard

| | Length | | |
|-------|--------|---------|--|
| Hole | Par | (Yards) | |
| 1 | 4 | 345 | |
| 2 | 4 | 411 | |
| 3 | 3 | 206 | |
| 4 | 4 419 | | |
| 5 | 4 | 366 | |
| 6 | 4 | 334 | |
| 7 | 5 | 545 | |
| 8 | 4 | 411 | |
| 9 | 3 | 170 | |
| Out | 35 | 3,207 | |
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| 11 | 4 | 386 | |
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| 13 | 4 | 483 | |
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Hole #5 Enlargement



- > Fill in open ditch
- > Create more fairway width
- > Create green surrounds
- > Remove trees around green to optimize turf growing conditions





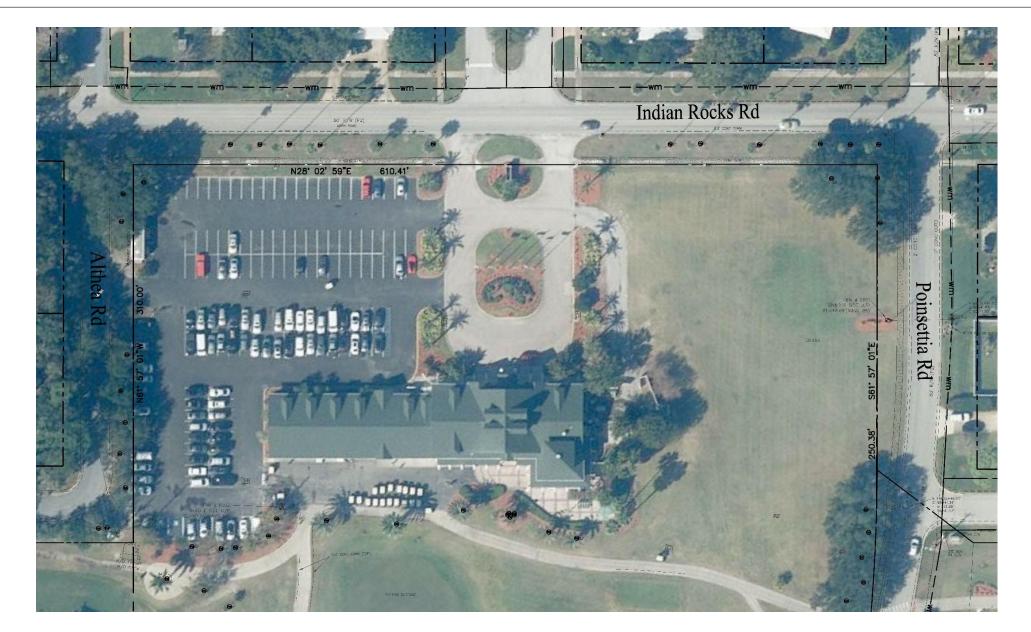


Clubhouse Improvements – Existing Site Plan







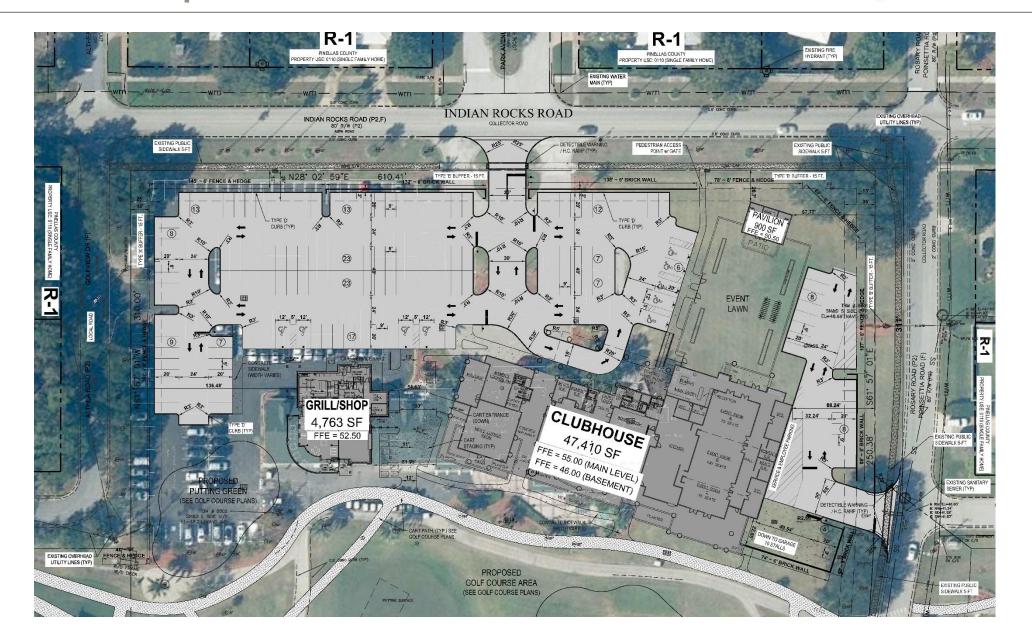


Clubhouse Improvements – Technical Site Plan









Clubhouse Improvements – Illustrative Site Plan









Clubhouse Improvements – Example Perspective









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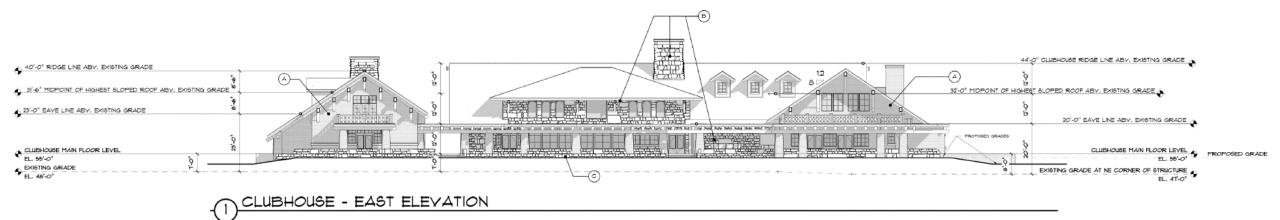


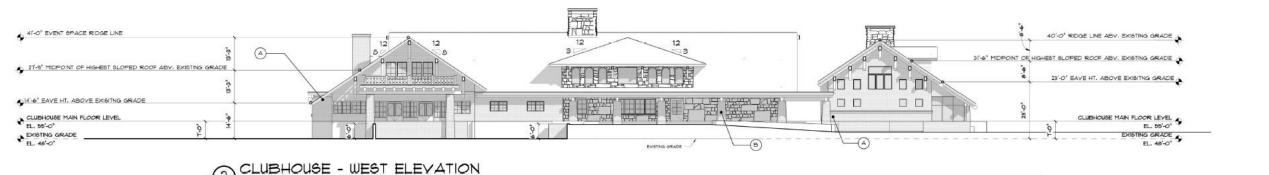






Clubhouse Improvements – Main Building Elevations



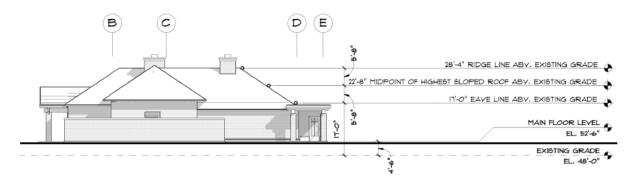


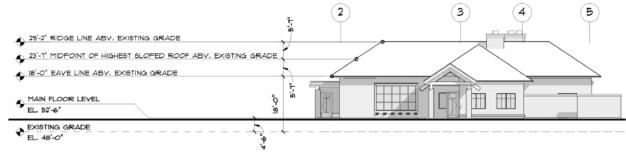






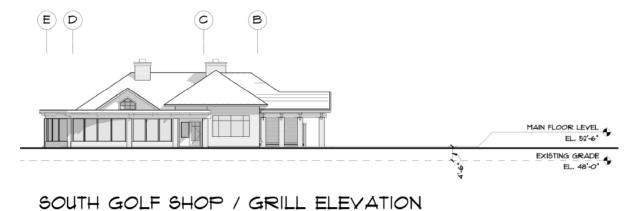
Clubhouse Improvements – Grill Room / Golf Shop Elevations

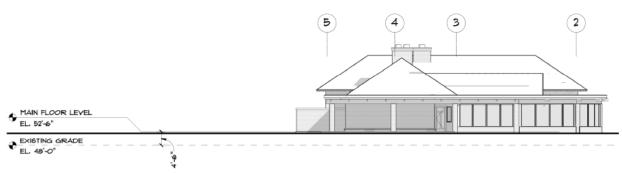




NORTH GOLF SHOP / GRILL ELEVATION

EAST GOLF SHOP / GRILL ELEVATION





WEST GOLF SHOP / GRILL ELEVATION



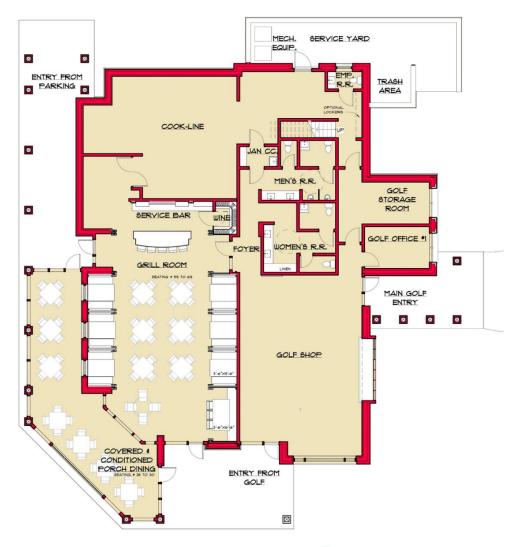




Clubhouse Improvements - Grill Room / Golf Shop













Variance Request #1 Placement of Aesthetic Wall / Fence Combination in Setback Area

Section 74-287(e) prohibits the placement of a wall in the front yard setback area and the primary front yard setback area of corner parcels. The setback area is stipulated as 25 feet.

> Explanation:

- Applicant is requesting that a wall / fence combination will be located on the building-side edge of the required 15 foot landscape buffer.
- Intent is that the combination of wall and fence, along with the proposed landscape buffer will create an aesthetically pleasing arrival sequence to the property.
- Wall, fence, and landscaping will also provide a visual screen of the parking lot elements from the surrounding neighborhood.
- For reference, the existing parking lot edge is approximately 10 feet away from the property line.







Conceptual Wall and Landscape Buffer









Variance Request #1 Placement of Aesthetic Wall/Fence Combination in Setback Area

Unnecessary Hardship

- > Literal interpretation of the Code would place the wall / fence combination along the 25 foot setback which would:
 - Reduce the amount of proposed parking spaces available due to the inability to change the dimensions of the clubhouse parcel.







Variance Request #2 Reduction in Number of Required Loading Zones

Section 74-173 regulates the number of loading zones required to service proposed buildings.

- > Explanation:
 - Strict application of the code would suggest that 16,164 SF (same total area used for calculation of required parking spaces) of the clubhouse area would generate the need for two loading zones.
 - Of that total 16,164 SF, the Restaurant at the Clubhouse (6,352 SF) and the Grill Room at the Golf Shop (2,464 SF) are the main uses that will be requiring loading space; together these uses total 8,816 SF



Variance Request #2 Reduction in Number of Required Loading Zones

Unnecessary Hardship

- > Literal interpretation of the Code would require more than one loading zone which would:
 - Reduce the amount of proposed parking spaces available.
 - Dedicate an inordinate amount of space for this type of project to loading zones.
 - Detract from the architecture of the clubhouse.



Variance Request #3 Reduction in the Number of Required Parking Spaces

Section 74-172(g) governs the number of parking spaces required for the proposed uses on the site. Strict application of the Code for the proposed uses yields a need for a total of 392 parking spaces (including 9 ADA) for this project.

Applicant is proposing a total number 175 parking spaces (including 9 ADA). Justifications for a reduced number of parking spots:

- > Proposed uses for the buildings are not typical "stand alone" uses; in fact, most of the uses will be shared via golfers on property who may use the golf course, grill room, fitness center, and pro shop during one visit (see "Expected Parking" table on the following slide for peak times of operations and the corresponding parking needs to demonstrate the overlapping users)
- > If an occasional very large event occurs requiring additional parking, Practice Range can be used as "Overflow Parking" (see diagram)
- > Existing parking lot contains 142 parking spaces (including 2 ADA). Several other comparable golf clubs in the area with similar uses were studied and averaged 143 parking spaces per 18 holes.







Expected Parking Table

| | Employee Parking | Golf Course and Golf Shop | Driving Range | Grill Room at Golf Shop | Fitness Center | Restaurant and Lounge | Clubhouse Meeting Rooms | Projected Number of Spaces Used | Projected Number of Spaces Available (not Including 9 ADA) |
|---------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 6 AM - 7 AM | 20 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 52 | 114 |
| 7 AM - 8 AM | 20 | 30 | 0 | 5 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 77 | 89 |
| 8 AM - 9 AM | 20 | 45 | 3 | 5 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 95 | 71 |
| 9 AM - 10 AM | 20 | 72 | 3 | 5 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 122 | 44 |
| 10 AM - 11 AM | 20 | 72 | 5 | 5 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 114 | 52 |
| 11 AM - 12 PM | 20 | 72 | 5 | 5 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 114 | 52 |
| 12 PM - 1 PM | 20 | 72 | 5 | 10 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 119 | 47 |
| 1 PM - 2 PM | 20 | 72 | 5 | 10 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 119 | 47 |
| 2 PM - 3 PM | 20 | 72 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 109 | 57 |
| 3 PM - 4 PM | 20 | 50 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 87 | 79 |
| 4 PM - 5 PM | 20 | 20 | 5 | 0 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 67 | 99 |
| 5 PM - 6 PM | 20 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 22 | 40 | 0 | 97 | 69 |
| 6 PM - 7 PM | 20 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 86 | 0 | 126 | 40 |
| 7 PM - 8 PM | 20 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 86 | 0 | 114 | 52 |
| 8 PM - 9 PM | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 86 | 0 | 108 | 58 |
| 9 PM - 10 PM | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 50 | 0 | 72 | 94 |

Assumptions

- 1. 166 Total Parking Spaces (Not Including 9 ADA Spaces)
- 2. Peak Golf Course Use is 9 AM 3 PM; Golf Course Parking Peaks at 4 Cars / Hole = 72 Total Spaces
- 3. Driving Range Hours of Operation are 8 AM 5 PM with Peak Between 10 AM 5 PM; Parking Peaks at 5 Spaces per Town Code
- 4. Golf Shop Hours of Operation area 8 AM 6 PM and ONLY Used by Golfers
- 5. Grill Room at Golf Shop Hours of Operation are 8 AM 4 PM and ONLY Used by Golfers Except for Small Group of Lunch Customers from 12 PM 2 PM (10 Cars)
- 6. Fitness Center Hours of Operation are 6 AM 10 PM with Peak Uses from 6 AM 10 AM and 4 PM 6 PM; Fitness Center Parking Peaks at 22 Spaces per Town Code
- 7. Restaurant and Lounge Hours of Operation are 5 PM 10 PM with Peak Use from 6 PM 9 PM; Parking Peaks at 86 Spaces per Town Code







Overflow Parking Exhibit













Variance Request #3 Reduction in the Number of Required Parking Spaces

Unnecessary Hardship

The provisions of the Code would treat each proposed use on the property as "stand alone" and unnecessarily triggers a requirement of 392 parking spaces. This amount of space for parking causes undue challenges because of:

- > The size of the clubhouse parcel and the desire to preserve as much green space (the golf course) as possible
- > This amount of parking would be a tremendous outlier in the world of operating golf courses and is inconsistent with the parking code requirements of other communities with golf course developments
- > Other comparable 18 hole golf courses in the same region routinely operate at less than 200 parking spaces; currently 142 parking spaces at Belleview Biltmore







Variance Request #4 Tree Replacement Requirements







Section 74-383(b)(1), Section 74-383(b)(2), and Section 74-383(b)(3) regulate tree replacement.

Unique factors of this project that make strict application of the Code challenging:

- > Size and scale of this property approximately 135 acres
- > Even after the removal of the proposed 863 trees, there will be 1,477 mature trees remaining (2,340 trees currently on the site); 65% of the proposed trees to be cleared fall into the following categories (see table on next slide)
 - Drainage improvements
 - Improvements to "errant ball issues"
 - Removal of Category 1 Invasive Species
- > Almost 100 years of tree growth (with minimal removal through the years as seen from periodic aerial photos) on the site since original construction; reestablish Donald Ross playability characteristics
- > Scope of landscaping plan
 - 400 trees (2,239.5") and 10,500 shrubs to be replanted (compared to the 5,281" designated by the Town for mitigation)
 - Staking / bracing of trees, landscaping irrigation, and mulching also included

Partial Accounting of Trees to be Removed Cardno Shaping the Future



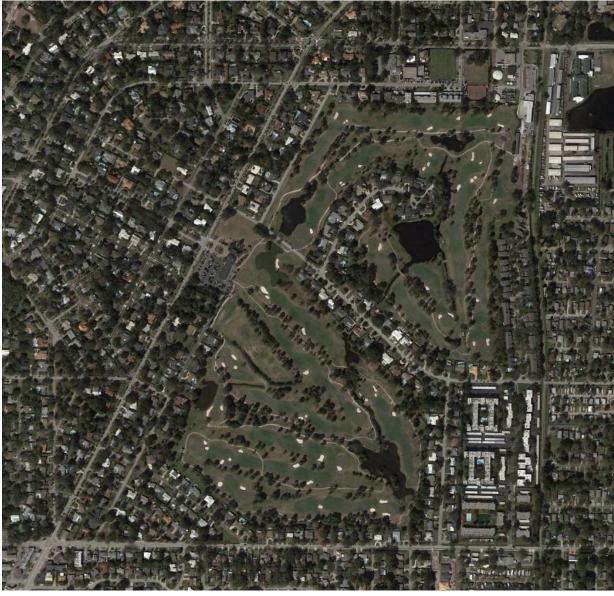




| | Number of Trees |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Trees to be removed between golf holes and adjacent housing | 0 |
| Trees to be removed to accommodate lake expansion | 170 |
| Trees to be removed to accommodate filling of ditch between hole 10 tees and 17 green | 97 |
| Trees to be removed to accommodate new hole 11 green location | 118 |
| Oleander trees (hedge) to be removed to accommodate creation of "wider" practice range | 105 |
| Trees to be removed that are Crape Myrtle, Bottle Brush, or Camphor; Considered to be Category 1 Invasive Species in Florida | 68 |
| Total | 558 |

Aerial Images (1942 and Current)





Variance Request #4 Tree Replacement Requirements

Section 74-383(b)(1), Section 74-383(b)(2), and Section 74-383(b)(3) regulate tree replacement.

- > Unnecessary Hardship:
 - Literal interpretation of the Code would require the applicant to plant 5,281" worth of trees (amount of trees to be mitigated as designated by the Town). This would likely correspond to at least 1,000 – 1,500 trees to be replanted which would be extremely challenging from a logistical and financial point of view.







Variance Request #5 Required Landscaping in Buffer Zone of Golf Course

Section 74-232(b)(4) regulates landscaping in buffer zones.

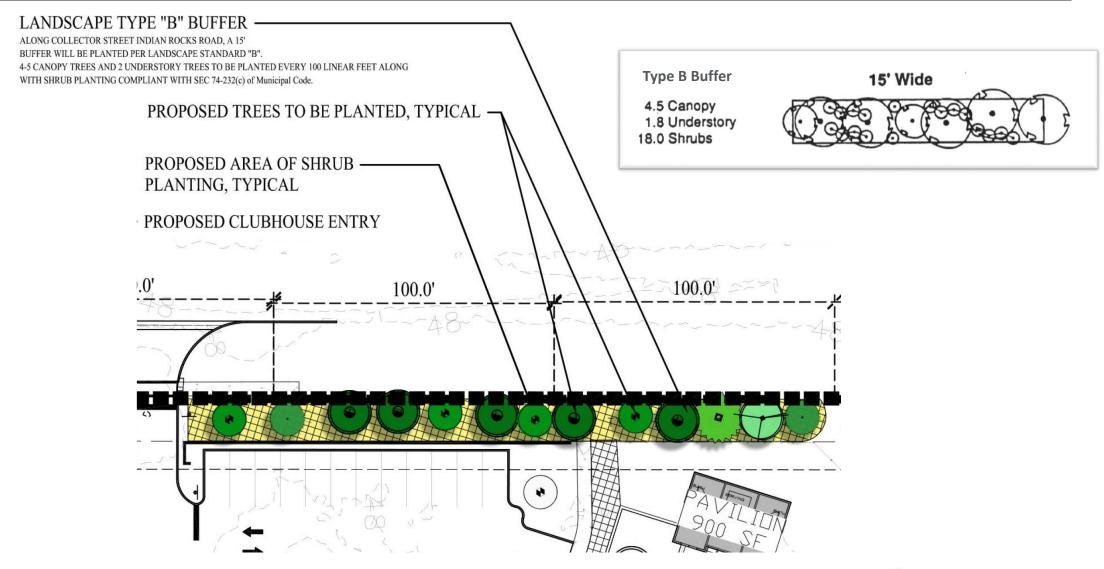
- > Around the Clubhouse parcel, the standard required by the Type-A or Type-B buffers will be achieved.
- > In areas of the golf course perimeter where there is little to no existing vegetation, the Type-A or Type-B buffers will be achieved.
- > The variance request specifically pertains to the remaining golf course perimeter where existing groves of mature vegetation already exist; these large trees and shrubs already effectively meet the intent of the buffer requirements.







Landscape Buffer – Example at Clubhouse

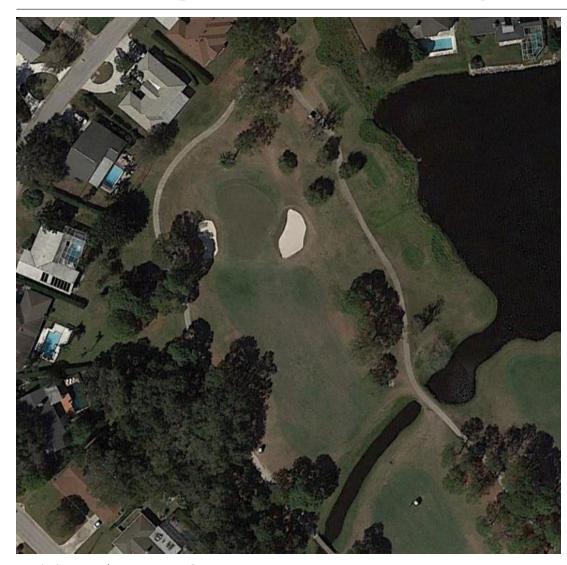




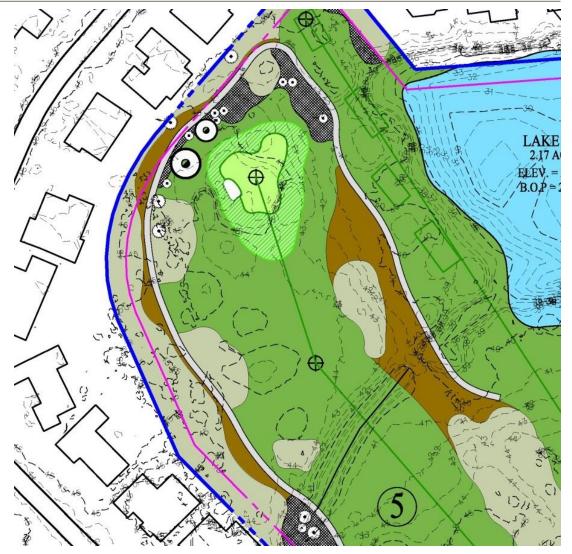




Landscape Buffer – Example on Golf Course



Existing Landscape at #5 Green



Proposed Landscape at #5 Green







Variance Request #5 Required Landscaping in Buffer Zone of Golf Course

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Unnecessary Hardship

- > Literal interpretation of the Code would require the applicant to attempt to plant trees in the many areas along the golf course perimeter that already have large trees. These plantings:
 - Are not necessary because the intent of the buffer requirement is already achieved by the existing vegetation
 - Could jeopardize the health of the existing trees with the ground disturbance activity
 - Could introduce survivability concerns for any new, smaller trees planted in the canopies of the mature groves of trees as competition for sunlight would be a challenge







Thank you.





