

STATEMENT OF HARDSHIP

The Hall County Planning Commission has the authority, in specific cases, to grant variances from the terms of the Zoning Regulations when the variance will not be contrary to the public interest where, owing to special conditions, a literal enforcement of the Zoning Regulations will, in specific cases, result in unnecessary hardship and so that the resolution shall be observed, public safety and welfare secured, and substantial justice done. The authority to grant such variances shall be limited to those instances where a hardship is clearly established as required by the Zoning Regulations.

In all cases involving requests for residential variances from the terms of the Zoning Regulations, a plat or survey of the property prepared by a registered surveyor, architect, or engineer shall be required. In all cases involving variances for commercial or industrial uses of land, a site plan of the property prepared by a registered surveyor, architect, or engineer shall be required. Variances may be granted only upon a finding by the board that:

Describe how each situation listed below relates to your application:

1. There are extraordinary and exceptional conditions pertaining to the particular piece of property in question because of its size, shape or topography (the hardship must relate to the physical character of the lot and not to a personal or economic hardship).

The size, shape, and topography of the property are not the basis of this request. The condition for the application is the intended use of the area for outdoor storage and handling of construction materials, for which a paved surface is not durable. The relief sought concerns surface material only and does not arise from any physical constraint of the lot.

2. The application of the requirements of this resolution to this particular property would create an unusual hardship.

The area will be used for storage and handling of construction materials and equipment. Loading, unloading, and material handling break and crack asphalt and concrete pavement. A compacted aggregate surface withstands this handling and can be repaired and regraded in place, while a paved surface would require recurring repair and replacement.

3. Such conditions are peculiar to the particular piece of property involved and not common to other properties in the neighborhood. That is, the application of the regulation would deprive the applicant of the rights commonly enjoyed by others in the neighborhood.

The property adjoins the applicant's existing gravel storage yard and will operate as a continuation of it. Other properties along this corridor use gravel for the same purpose, and denial would deprive the applicant of a use commonly enjoyed by others in the neighborhood.

4. Such conditions are not the result of any actions of the property owner.

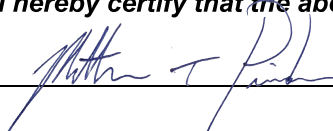
The conditions that make a paved surface unsuitable for the storage and handling of construction materials are inherent to that activity and are not the result of any action by the property owner. The applicant has taken no action creating the need for this request.

5. Relief, if granted, would not cause substantial detriment to the public good or impair the purposes and intent of this resolution provided; however, that no variance may be granted for a use of land or building or structure that is prohibited by this resolution. For example, granting the variance would not confer any special privilege that is denied by this regulation to other property in the same zoning district.

The area will be enclosed by a screening fence and the front landscape strip installed to Hall County standards. The relief requested is the minimum necessary and confers no privilege denied to similarly situated properties in the corridor, which use gravel for the same purpose.

I hereby certify that the above information and all attached information is true and correct.

Applicant



Date 8/14/26