

CASE# 2018-004 6-1  
RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

**GRANTING A REZONING AND A VARIANCE**  
FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT  
**1729 W. STATE ROUTE 29, ATHENS**  
SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

WHEREAS, the Zoning Board of Appeals has presented to the Sangamon County Board, Sangamon County, Illinois, its Findings of Fact and Recommendation that the Sangamon County Board **grant an amendment and a variance** to the Sangamon County Zoning Ordinance with respect to the following described property, to-wit:

**See Exhibit A**

WHEREAS, the Petitioner, **Angela Muse**, has petitioned the Sangamon County Board for **Proposed Parcel 2: a rezoning from “A” Agricultural District to “R-1” Single-Family Residence District; and, for Proposed Parcel 1: a variance to allow one (1) parcel less than forty (40) acres; and,**

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held at the Sangamon County Building on **January 18, 2018** after proper notice was posted on said property and given by news publication, as is required by said Ordinance, and all procedural and jurisdictional requirements of the Sangamon County Zoning Ordinance have been met; and,

WHEREAS, the Sangamon County Zoning Board of Appeals has presented to the Sangamon County Board of Sangamon County its Findings of Fact and Recommendation that the Sangamon County Board **grant the rezoning and variance; and,**

WHEREAS, the Sangamon County Board does hereby adopt the recommendation of the Sangamon County Zoning Board of Appeals.

**FILED**

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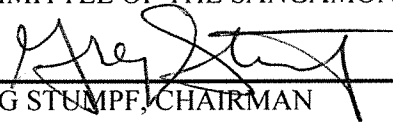
*Don [Signature]*  
Sangamon County Clerk

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the County Board of Sangamon County, Illinois, in session assembled this 13<sup>th</sup> Day of February, 2018 that the requests for Proposed Parcel 2: a rezoning from “A” Agricultural District to “R-1” Single-Family Residence District; and, for Proposed Parcel 1: a variance to allow one (1) parcel less than forty (40) acres on the above described property are hereby approved.

Signed and passed by the Sangamon County Board in session on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC HEALTH, SOLID WASTE & ZONING  
COMMITTEE OF THE SANGAMON COUNTY BOARD



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**ATTEST:**

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SANGAMON COUNTY CLERK

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COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN

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**EXHIBIT A**

Property commonly known as parcel number: 01-32.0-300-011

The West Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 32 in Township 18 North, Range 5 West of the Third Principal Meridian, in the County of Sangamon and State of Illinois, excepting the West 20 rods of said Half Quarter section; also the West 26 acres of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 32; all situated in the County of Sangamon and State of Illinois.

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**RECAP**  
(For County Board Use)

COUNTY BOARD MEMBER: #2 NAME: **Todd Smith**

DOCKET NUMBER: **2018-004**

ADDRESS: **1729 W. State Route 29, Athens, IL 62613**

PETITIONER: **Angela Muse**

PRESENT ZONING CLASSIFICATION: **“A” Agricultural District.**

REQUESTED ZONING CLASSIFICATION: **Proposed Parcel 2: A rezoning from “A” Agricultural District to “R-1” Single-Family Residence District.  
Proposed Parcel 1: A variance to allow one (1) parcel less than forty (40) acres.**

AREA: **86 acres**

COMMENTS: **None**

OBJECTORS: **None**

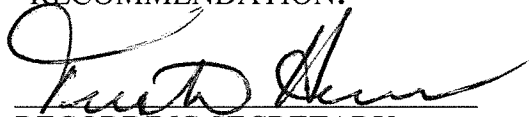
PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: **Recommend approval. The petitioner is proposing to split the subject property in order to sell the cropland and maintain the existing residence with the pond and create a new building site. The LESA score of 204 indicates the subject property is suitable for agricultural use only. In addition, the parcel to be created for the new building site is separated from the rest of the cropland by a drainage area that is not farmed. The petition is requesting R-1 for Proposed Parcel 2 for the purposes of constructing a new residence. Granting the requested variance will allow separation of the tillable cropland from the single-family residence and pond and the new lot so the**

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**cropland can continue to be used economically. The Standards for Variation are met.**

SANGAMON COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS  
RECOMMENDATION:

**Approval of Staff Recommendation.**

  
RECORDING SECRETARY

SANGAMON COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF: )	DOCKET NO: <b>2018-004</b>
<b>Angela Muse</b> )	
)	PROPERTY LOCATED AT:
)	<b>1729 W. State Route 29</b>
)	<b>Athens, IL 62613</b>

RECOMMENDATION OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS

THIS MATTER, Coming on for a hearing before the Sangamon County Zoning Board of Appeals of Sangamon County, Illinois, and it appearing to said Board that a petition for an **amendment and a variance** of the Zoning Regulations of said County has been filed herein by the above captioned petitioner (s); that legal publication has been made pursuant to law; and that a public hearing was held on **January 18, 2018** pursuant to law; and that said Board took testimony of witnesses, examined the evidence, and otherwise being fully advised in the premises, therefore finds as follows:

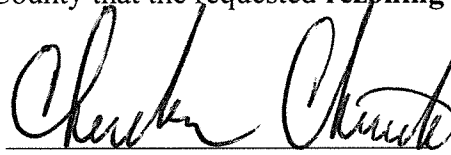
1. That said Board has jurisdiction to consider the petition filed herein.
2. That the above-captioned petitioner(s) is the owner(s) and/or has a beneficial interest in, contract to purchase, or is the County Board Member representing the property commonly known as: **1729 W. State Route 29, Athens, IL 62613** and more particularly described as:

**See Exhibit A**

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- 3. That the present zoning of said property is **“A” Agricultural District.**
- 4. That the present land use of said property is **single-family residence and cropland.**
- 5. That the proposed land use of said property is **single-family residence and cropland.**
- 6. That the requested **rezoning and variance** of said property are **for Proposed Parcel 2: a rezoning from “A” Agricultural District to “R-1” Single-Family Residence District; and, for Proposed Parcel 1: a variance to allow one (1) parcel less than forty (40) acres.**
- 7. That required findings and standards of the Sangamon County Board of Appeals are accurately stated on the attached exhibit(s).
- 8. The evidence adduced at the hearing **does** support the proposition that the adoption of the proposed **rezoning and variance** is in the public interest and is not solely in the interest of the petitioner(s).

IT IS, THEREFORE, the recommendation of the Sangamon County Zoning Board of Appeals to the County Board of Sangamon County that the requested **rezoning and variance** be **approved.**

  
 CHAIRMAN 70



MINUTES OF THE  
SANGAMON COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

There was a motion by Zoning Board Member, **Don Wulf**, to concur with the findings of fact and recommendation of the Regional Planning Commission and recommend to the County Board that the petition be **approved** which was duly seconded by **Tony Mares**.

The vote of the Board was as follows:

YES: **Charles Chimento, Tony Mares, Don Wulf, Andrew Spiro, Gina Lathan**

NO:

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

  
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RECORDING SECRETARY

**SANGAMON COUNTY  
RECOMMENDED - FINDINGS OF FACT**

Case #: **2018-004**

Address: **1729 W. State Route 29, Athens**

- (i) Existing uses of property within the general area of the property in question.

**North – Cropland. East, South, & West – Residences & cropland.**

- (ii) The zoning classification of property within the general area of the property in question.

**North, East, South, & West – Agricultural.**

- (iii) The suitability of the property in question to the uses permitted under the existing zoning classification.

**The LESA score of 204 indicates the subject property is suitable for agricultural use only. In addition, the parcel to be created for the new building site is separated from the rest of the cropland by a drainage area that is not farmed. The petition is requesting R-1 for Proposed Parcel 2 for the purposes of constructing a new residence.**

- (iv) The trend of development, within the vicinity since the property was originally classified.

**The trend for the area has continued to remain agricultural with some single-family residences located in the area. In 2008, a use variance was granted for a plumbing, HVAC, and electrical contractor with outside storage east of the subject property. In 2008, a CPU was granted for scales for an elevator west of the subject property. In 1993, a CPU was granted for a bait shop west of the subject property.**

**SANGAMON COUNTY  
RECOMMENDED - STANDARDS FOR VARIATIONS**

Case #: **2018-004**

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The Zoning Board of Appeals shall not recommend to the Sangamon County Board that the regulations of this ordinance be varied as authorized in F. (1) hereof, unless it shall make findings of fact based upon the evidence presented to it in each specified case:

- (i) that the property in question cannot be economically used or yield a reasonable return, if permitted to be used only for the conditions allowed by the regulations.

**Granting the requested variance will allow separation of the tillable cropland from the single-family residence and pond and the new lot so the cropland can continue to be used economically.**

- (ii) that the plight of the owner is due to circumstances unique to the property and not generally applicable to other property in the area.

**The presence of the pond precludes many viable lot configurations that would not require some sort of relief.**

- (iii) that the variation, if granted, will not alter the essential character of the locality, impair an adequate supply of light and air to adjacent property, increase the congestion of traffic, or diminish or impair property values in the locality.

**Negative impacts are not anticipated.**

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Parcel # 01-32-300-011

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**LAND EVALUATION AND SITE ASSESSMENT**

**Part 1: Site Assessment**

	Available Points	Points
<b><u>AGRICULTURAL/RURAL LAND WITHIN .5 MILE</u></b>		
90% or more	20	
75-89%	10	<b>20</b>
50-74%	5	
Under 50%	0	
<b><u>CONTIGUOUS AGRICULTURAL/RURAL LAND</u></b>		
90% or more	20	
75-89%	10	<b>20</b>
50-74%	5	
Under 50%	0	
<b><u>PERCENTAGE OF SITE AGRICULTURAL/RURAL</u></b>		
75-100%	10	
50-74%	5	<b>10</b>
Under 50%	0	
<b><u>COUNTY SECTOR</u></b>		
Rural	20	
0.5 mile from incorporated area	10	<b>20</b>
Incorporated area	0	
<b><u>SOIL WITH SEVERE RESTRICTIONS FOR ON-SITE WASTE DISPOSAL</u></b>		
75% or more	20	
50-74%	10	<b>10</b>
25-49%	5	
Less than 25% or sewer available	0	
<b><u>ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED USE</u></b>		
Negative impact	15	
Little or none with protective measures	5	<b>0</b>
Little or none	0	
<b><u>IMPACT ON UNIQUE HISTORICAL/CULTURAL FEATURES</u></b>		
Negative impact	10	
No impact	0	<b>0</b>

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<u>CONDITION OF ROAD</u>		
unpaved, <40' ROW, or < 16' pavement	20	<b>0</b>
16'-18' pavement, 40' ROW	15	
18'-20' pavement, 40' ROW	10	
> 20' pavement, 40' ROW or County or State Highway	0	

<u>AVAILABILITY OF PUBLIC SEWER</u>		
Not available	15	<b>15</b>
Sewer over 600'-1200' away	8	
Private central sewage system	5	
Sewer 600' or less away and available	0	

<u>AVAILABILITY OF PUBLIC WATER</u>		
Not available	20	<b>20</b>
1,000-1,500' away	15	
Less than 1,000' away	5	
Public water available at site	0	

<u>DISTANCE FROM RESPONDING FIREHOUSE</u>		
Not in fire protection district	20	<b>0</b>
More than 5 miles or fire protection by assignment	10	
2.6-5 miles	5	
0-2.5 miles	0	

<u>DRIVING TIME TO HIGH SCHOOL</u>		
Over 30 minutes	10	<b>0</b>
15-30 minutes	5	
Less than 15 minutes	0	

<b>SITE ASSESSMENT TOTAL</b>	<b>115</b>
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**Part 2: Agricultural Land Evaluation (Based on Sangamon County Soil Survey)**

<u>Soil</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Relative Value</u>	<u>Points</u>
198A	Elburn	P		100	
199A	Plano	P		100	
43A	Ipava	P	35	100	35
7148A	Proctor	P		100	
46A	Herrick	P		100	
7037A	Worthen	P		100	
705A	Buckhart	P		98	
199B	Plano	P		98	
36B	Tama	P		98	
244A	Hartsburg	P2	0	98	

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257A	Clarksdale	P2		98	
68A	Sable	P2	<b>38</b>	87	<b>33</b>
679B	Blackberry	P		87	
705B	Buckhart	P		87	
86B	Oscos	P	<b>13</b>	87	<b>11</b>
684B	Broadwell	P		87	
50A	Virden	P2		87	
712A	Spaulding	P2		87	
127B	Harrison	P		87	
3077A	Huntsville	P3		87	
138A	Shiloh	P2		87	
249A	Edinburg	P2		87	
242A	Kendall	P2		87	
7242A	Kendall	P2		87	
134A	Camden	P		87	
17A	Keomah	P2		87	
3451A	Lawson	P3		75	
3107A	Sawmill	P5		75	
7075B	Drury	P		75	
8396A	Vesser	P2		75	
3074A	Radford	P3		75	
3073A	Ross	P3		75	
3284A	Tice	P3		75	
279B	Rozetta	P		75	
45A	Denny	P2		75	
134B	Camden	P		75	
112A	Cowden	P2		75	
685B	Middletown	P		75	
3405A	Zook	P5		75	
131C2	Alvin	P		75	
86C2	Oscos	I		74	
36C2	Tama	I		74	
684C2	Broadwell	I		74	
119C2	Elco	I		74	
119D	Elco	I		74	
127C2	Harrison	I		74	
119D2	Elco	I		74	
567C2	Elkhart	I	<b>13</b>	74	<b>10</b>
134C2	Camden	I		74	
259C2	Assumption	I		74	
685C2	Middletown	I		74	
280D2	Fayette	I		74	
119D3	Elco	N		74	
259D2	Assumption	I		74	
212C2	Thebes	I		74	
630C2	Navlys	I		74	
630D2	Navlys	I		74	
630D3	Navlys	I		57	
131D2	Alvin	I		57	
8D	Hickory	I		50	
8D2	Hickory	I		50	
280D3	Fayette	I		44	

8D3	Hickory	I	44
8F	Hickory	N	44
549G	Marseilles	N	0
533	Urban Land	N	
536	Dumps	N	
830	Orthents, Land	N	
862	Pits, Sand	N	
864	Pits, Quarries	N	
801C	Orthents, Silty	N	
W	Water		1

Prime/Important Farmlands Designations:

P: Prime farmland

P2: Prime where drained

P3: Prime where protected from flooding or flooding is less often than once in two years during the growing season.

P5: Prime where drained and either protected from flooding or flooding is less often than once in two years during the growing season.

I: Important farmland

N: Not Prime/Important Farmland

<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND EVALUATION TOTAL</b>	<b>89</b>
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<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>204</b>
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Fewer than 150 points shall be deemed acceptable for non-agricultural development.

From 150 - 175 points is considered marginal requiring mitigating factors for non-ag development.

Greater than 175 points shall be considered suitable for agricultural use only.