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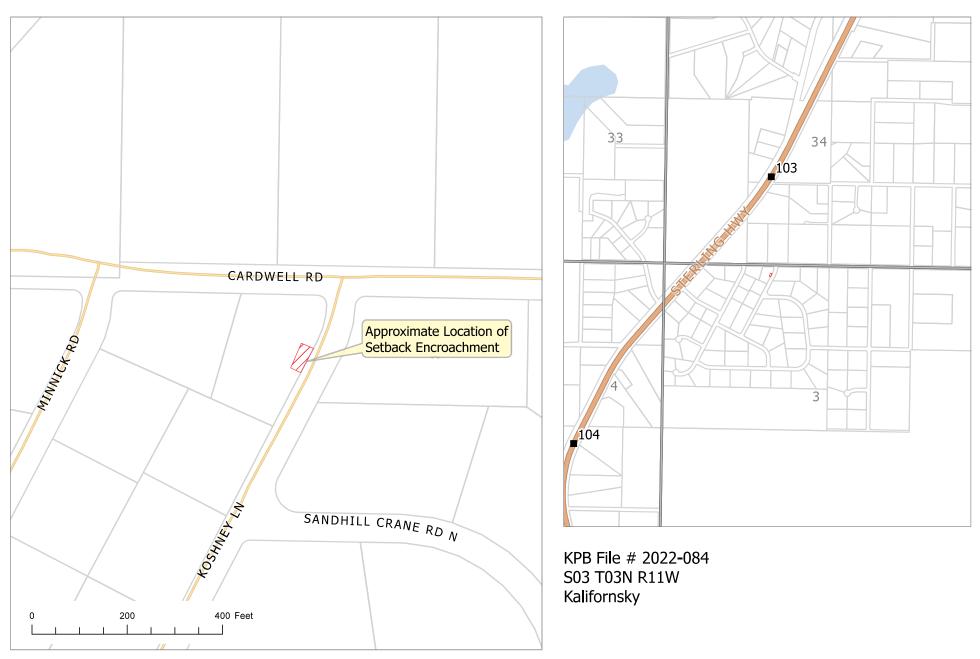
Building Setback Permit; KPB File 2022-084; PC RES 2022-30
 Opheim / Segesser Surveys
 Location: Lot 18, Block 4, Soldotna South Subdivision
 Ophein Replat; Plat KN 85-162
 Kalifornsky Area

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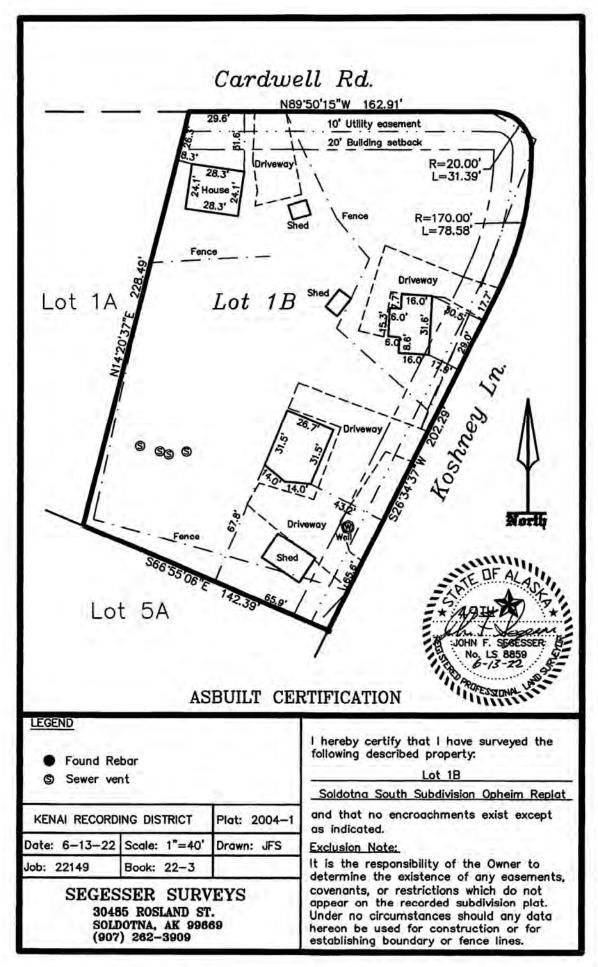
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AGENDA ITEM E. NEW BUSINESS

ITEM 3. – BUILDING SETBACK ENCROACHMENT PERMIT LOT 1B BLOCK 4 SOLDOTNA SOUTH SUBDIVISION OPHEIM REPLAT

KPB File No. 2022-084 **Planning Commission** July 18, 2022

Meeting:

Applicant / Owner: Chris, Timothy, Megaera, Kathleen Opheim of Kasilof, Alaska

Surveyor: John Segesser / Segesser Surveys

General Location: Cardwell Road, Koshney Lane, Kalifornsky / Kalifornsky APC

Parent Parcel No.: 133-381-56

Legal Description: Lot 1B Block 4, Soldotna South Subdivision Opheim Replat, Plat KN 2004-1

Assessing Use: Residential Zoning: Rural Unrestricted

STAFF REPORT

<u>Specific Request / Purpose as stated in the petition:</u> Existing building encroaches about 2.1 feet into 20' building setback. We must get a KPB variant for sale of property. Also, 20' wood fence encroaches on 20' setback.

<u>Site Investigation:</u> The lot is located on the corner of Cardwell Road and Koshney Lane. Both roads are constructed and maintained by the Kenai Peninsula Borough. There are no wetlands or steep slopes present within the right-of-way dedications or within the subject areas.

Along the edge of the constructed road, the area is cleared with trees between the structures and the cleared areas. There does not appear to be any concerns with the line of sight.

<u>Staff Analysis:</u> Soldotna South Subdivision, Plat KN 85-160, subdivided some aliquot lands and created Lot 1 Block 4. The plat created a 20 foot setback from all dedicated rights-of-way with the front 10 feet granted as utility easements. This would have created a setback and easement for the property along the north adjacent to Cardwell Road and along the east adjacent to Koshney Lane. The lot was replatted with the plat Soldotna South Subdivision Opheim Replat, KN 2004-1. The setback and the utility easements along the dedicated rights-of-way were carried over to the new plat.

Multiple structures are present on the property. Per KPB assessing records the structures dates from 1998 to 2016. Per the as-built done on June 13, 2022, a structure is 2.1 feet into the 20 foot building setback. The as-built also indicates that a well is present within the setback and a wood plank fence within the setback, utility easement, and a small portion within the right-of-way.

Per KPB Code 20.90.010, "Building setback is the area of the lot where permanent structures are not allowed. The purpose of the setback is to promote safe public access, areas for emergency response, and traffic sight distance. (See "Permanent Structures" definition.)". The definition within the same area of code for permanent structures is "for purposes of the building setback shall mean anything of a permanent nature that requires footings, foundations or pilings. Improvements of a minor nature that do not interfere with the sight distance from the right-of-way are allowed. Examples of allowable improvements are well casings, low retaining walls, vent pipes, individual mailboxes, address sign posts and transparent fencing such as metal chain link." Per the definitions the well is an allowable improvement. The fence appears to be a wood plank fence and would not fall under the allowable improvements.

The fence encroachment into the right-of-way will require resolution. Staff would also like to advise the owners that the fence encroachment into the utility easement, even if it is a code compliant style fence, cannot interfere with the use of the utility easement. The utility providers have the right to remove or have the fence removed at the expense of the owner and they are not liable for any damages. The fence within the setback is not a compliant fence. Staff recommends that the fence be replaced with a code compliant fence.

Looking at KPB GIS imagery, there does not appear to be any line of sight issues with the house or the fence.

Staff recommendations to approve the setback encroachment for the structure only.

Findings:

- 1. Soldotna South Subdivision, Plat KN 85-160, put a 20 foot building setback into place along Cardwell Road and Koshney Lane.
- 2. Soldotna South Subdivision Opheim Replat, Plat KN 2004-1, carried over the setback.
- 3. The fence is within the dedicated right-of-way.
- 4. The fence is within the utility easement and building setback.
- 5. The fence is a wood plank fence that does not meet code requirements.
- 6. The well is shown within the setback and is an allowable improvement.
- 7. The structure is 2.1 feet within the 20 foot building setback.
- 8. There does not appear to be any line of sight issues with the encroachments.
- 9. KPB Roads Department had no comments.

20.10.110. - Building setback encroachment permits.

- E. The following standards shall be considered for all building setback encroachment permit applications:
 - 1. The building setback encroachment may not interfere with road maintenance.

Findings 7-9 appear to support this standard.

- 2. The building setback encroachment may not interfere with sight lines or distances.
- Findings 7-9 appear to support this standard.
- 3. The building setback encroachment may not create a safety hazard.

Findings 7-9 appear to support this standard.

- F. The granting of a building setback encroachment permit will only be for the portion of the improvement or building that is located within the building setback and the permit will be valid for the life of the structure or for a period of time set by the Planning Commission. The granting of a building setback encroachment permit will not remove any portion of the 20 foot building setback from the parcel.
- G. The Planning Commission shall approve or deny a building setback encroachment permit. If approved, a resolution will be adopted by the planning commission and recorded by the planning department within the time frame set out in the resolution to complete the permit. The resolution will require an exhibit drawing showing, and dimensioning, the building setback encroachment permit area. The exhibit drawing shall be prepared, signed and sealed, by a licensed land surveyor.

KPB department / agency review:

KPB Roads Dept. comments	Out of Jurisdiction: No		
	Roads Director: Uhlin, Dil		
	Comments: No comments		
SOA DOT comments	No comments		
KPB River Center review	A. Floodplain		
	Reviewer: Carver, Nancy		
	Floodplain Status: Not within flood hazard area		
	Comments: No comments		

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	B. Habitat Protection		
	Reviewer: Aldridge, Morgan		
	Habitat Protection District Status: Is NOT within HPD		
	Comments: No comments		
	C. State Parks		
	Reviewer: Russell, Pam		
	Comments: No Comments		
State of Alaska Fish and Game	No objections		
Addressing	Reviewer: Haws, Derek		
1	Affected Addresses:		
	48705 CARDWELL RD		
	27955 KOSHNEY LN		
	27000 NOSTINET EN		
	Existing Street Names are Correct: Yes		
	Existing street realises are sorrest. Too		
	List of Correct Street Names:		
	CARDWELL RD		
	KOSHNEY LN		
	ROSHNET LIN		
	Existing Street Name Corrections Needed:		
	All New Street Names are Approved: No		
	List of Approved Street Names:		
	List of Street Names Denied:		
	Comments:		
	48705 CARDWELL RD will remain with lot 1B		
	27955 KOSHNEY LN will remain with lot 1B		
Code Compliance	Reviewer: Ogren, Eric		
	Comments: Encroachments with neighboring property		
Planner	Reviewer: Raidmae, Ryan		
	There are not any Local Option Zoning District issues with this proposed plat.		
	Material Site Comments:		
	There are not any material site issues with this proposed plat.		
Assessing	Reviewer: Windsor, Heather		
	Comments: No comment		
Advisory Planning Commission	Kalifornsky APC is inactive		

RECOMMENDATION:

Based on the standards to grant a building setback encroachment permit, s**taff recommends** to adopt Resolution 2022-30 subject to compliance with KPB 20.10.110 sections F and G.

NOTE:

20.10.110.(H) A decision of the planning commission may be appealed to the hearing officer by a party of record, as defined by KPB 20.90, within 15 days of the date of notice of decision in accordance with KPB 21.20.250.

END OF STAFF REPORT

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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION 2022-30 KENAI RECORDING DISTRICT

GRANT A BUILDING SETBACK ENCROACHMENT PERMIT TO A PORTION OF THE TWENTY FOOT BUILDING SETBACK FOR LOT 1B BLOCK 4, SOLDOTNA SOUTH SUBDIVISION OPHEIM REPLAT (KN 2004-1); IN NW 1/4 S03, T03N, R11W; SEWARD MERIDIAN, ALASKA, WITHIN THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH; KPB FILE NO. 2022-084

WHEREAS, per KPB 20.30.240 – Building Setbacks, a minimum 20-foot building setback shall be required for fee simple non-arterial rights-of-way in subdivisions located outside incorporated cities; and

WHEREAS, Chris R Opheim and Kathleen Ophiem of Kasilof, AK requested a building setback encroachment permit to the 20-foot building setback granted by Soldotna South Subdivision (KN 85-160); and

WHEREAS, per the petition, existing building encroaches about 2.1 feet into 20' building setback. We must get a KPB variant for sale of property; and

WHEREAS, the encroaching structure does not affect sight distance along the right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, on Monday, July 18, 2022, the Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission considered the background information, all comments received, and recommendations from KPB Planning Department staff regarding the proposed exception; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission found that granting the building setback encroachment permit will not be detrimental to the public interest; and

WHEREAS, 20.10.110 of the Kenai Peninsula Borough Code of Ordinances authorizes the Planning Commission to accomplish building setback encroachment permits by Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

Section 1. That the 20-foot building setback limit on KN 85-160, and carried over to KN 2004-1 onto Lot 1B Block 4 is hereby excepted to accommodate only the encroaching portion of the building.

 $\underline{Section~2}. \quad \text{That any new, replacement, and/or additional construction will be subject to the 20-foot building setback limit.}$

Section 3. That the 20-foot building setback limit shall apply to the remainder of said lot.

<u>Section 4</u>. That a current as-built survey or sketch prepared, signed, and sealed by a licensed land surveyor showing the location of the encroachment within the building setback be attached to, and made a part of this resolution, becoming page 2 of 2.

 $\underline{\text{Section 5}}$. That this resolution is void if not recorded in the appropriate Recording District within 90 days of adoption.

<u>Section 6</u>. That this resolution becomes effective upon being properly recorded with petitioner being responsible for payment of recording fees.

ADOPTED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ON THIS 18TH DAY OF JULY, 2022.

Blair J. Martin, Chairperson Planning Commission	ATTEST:	Ann Shirnberg, Administrative Assistant	
Return to: Planning Department Kenai Peninsula Borough			

Soldotna, Alaska 99669 Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission Resolution 2022-30

144 North Binkley Street

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