

# H-E-B Dripping Springs 01

### **Gross Floor Area Variance Justification**

10/21/2024

**Project Name** H-E-B Dripping Springs 01

**QE Project No.** \$0977-0006-01

**Purpose:** Technical Justification to Support Gross Floor Area Variance Request

#### **Technical Information:**

#### Site Background Information

The subject site is located at the southeast corner of Rob Shelton Blvd. and US Highway 290. The current H-E-B store at this location is 75,000 square feet. The existing store is located on the currently developed 25-acre tract. This developed tract is located within Planned Development District #1 (PDD #1). The proposed expansion is an undeveloped 11.83-acre tract that is zoned as Commercial Services (CS).

The current HEB's primary customer base is the City of Dripping Springs and the surrounding areas, as the current HEB is the largest Grocery Store within the City limits.

As part of the variance request, we propose to exceed the allowable building square footage within the CS zoning. We propose a minimum of a 125,000 square foot building within the 11.83-acre tract along with the corresponding parking lot within the adjacent 25-acre tract.

#### **Public Interest**

The requested variance is in the public interest as it will provide a larger grocery store for residents of Dripping Springs and surrounding communities. Due to the increase in population in this area, a new larger store is necessary. A larger store will provide a less crowded experience for residents and will be able to offer a more compelling selection of products.

#### Site-Specific Hardship

Enforcement of the Ordinance would require the proposed building to have a smaller footprint than the current building. The anticipated primary customer base would exceed what the proposed maximum building size would allow.

#### Spirit of the Ordinance

While the proposed store is larger than the existing store and the footprint allowed by Dripping Springs' Zoning Ordinance, this store is on a large plot (35.68 acres) and leaves significant acreage without any structures. Because of this significant amount of acreage without buildings, the spirit of the ordinance is still being followed. All other requirements for the building will follow the CS zoning ordinances along with a proposed impervious cover that remains under the 60% maximum for the 11.83-acre tract.



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# ALTERNATIVE STANDARD/SPECIAL EXCEPTION/VARIANCE/WAIVER APPLICATION

Case Number (staff use only): _	<del></del>		
CONTACT INFORMATION			
PROPERTY OWNER NAME H-E-B,			
STREET ADDRESS 646 South	Flores St		
CITY San Antonio	<sub>STATE</sub> Texas	ZIP CODE 78204	
PHONE	_EMAIL		
APPLICANT NAME Zachary Morg	an		
COMPANY Quiddity			
STREET ADDRESS_101 E Old Settlers Blvd, Ste 280			
CITY Round Rock	<sub>STATE</sub> Texas	ZIP CODE 78665	
PHONE 512-685-5194 EMAIL zmorgan@quiddity.com			
APPLICATION TYPE			
☐ ALTERNATIVE STA	NDARD	■ VARIANCE	
☐ SPECIAL EXCEPTION		□ WAIVER	

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PROPERTY INFORMATION		
PROJECT NAME	Replat of Dripping Springs Retail Center Subdivision	
PROPERTY ADDRESS	598 E HWY US 290, Dripping Springs, TX 78620	
CURRENT LEGAL DESCRIPTION	Lot 1A, Block B of the Dripping Springs Retail Center Subdivision (35.70 Ac)	
TAX ID#	R17965	
LOCATED IN	■ CITY LIMITS	
	☐ EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION	
	☐ HISTORIC DISTRICT OVERLAY	

o Description of request & reference to section of the Code of Ordinances applicable to request:

This variance request pertains to section 3.12.4.(d) of the zoning ordinance for the city of Dripping Springs, Texas which states, "The gross floor area for each building shall not exceed 50,000 square feet per building."

Description of the hardship or reasons the Alternative Standard/Special Exception/Variance
 / Waiver is being requested:

This variance would allow the HEB to construct a large enough building to service the growing market within the City of Dripping Springs community.

o Description of how the project exceeds Code requirements in order to mitigate or offset the effects of the proposed alternative standard/special exception/variance/waiver:

Preliminary site layouts and HEB direction contemplate a new store with a minimum of internal area of least 125,000 square feet.

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## **APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE**

The undersigned, here further, that Zachary respect to this Applica (As recorded in the Ha	D. Morgan tion and the City	is authoriz s zoning amendment	zed to act as process.	ove described real property and my agent and representative with s)
	Benjamin Scott Name Group Vice Presider Center Development Title	nt of Real Estate and Shoppir	ng	
STATE OF TEXAS	§			
COUNTY OF HAYS	§ §			
This instrumer	nt was acknowled	dged before me on the	29 <sup>th</sup> day c	of October,
20124 by Benjar	nin Scott	······································		
		Notary Public, State o	f Texas	
My Commission Expire	es: <u>Septemb</u>	er 2, 2028	_	
Zachany D. Name of Applicant	Morgan			ADRIANA SANCHEZ Notary ID #130807607 My Commission Expires September 2, 2028

All required items and information (including all applied	cable above listed exhibits and fees) must be received by the City for		
an application and request to be considered complete. <b>Incomplete submissions will not be accepted.</b> By signing below, I			
acknowledge that I have read through and met the above requirements for a complete submittal:			
July -	10/21/2024		
Applicant Signature	Date		

CHECKLIST			
STAFF	APPLICANT		
	<b>✓</b>	Completed Application Form - including all required signatures and notarized	
	<b>✓</b>	Application Fee (refer to Fee Schedule)	
		PDF/Digital Copies of all submitted documents	
	<b>V</b>	When submitting digital files, a cover sheet must be included outlining what digital	
		contents are included.	
	<b>&gt;</b>	Billing Contact Form	
		Photographs	
	✓	Map/Site Plan/Plat	
<b>V</b>		Architectural Elevations (if applicable)	
	<b>✓</b>	Description and reason for request (attach extra sheets if necessary)	
		Public Notice Sign - \$25	
		Proof of Property Ownership-Tax Certificate or Deed	
		Outdoor Lighting Ordinance Compliance Agreement - signed with attached	
		photos/drawings (required if marked "Yes (Required)" on above Lighting Ordinance	
		Section of application)	

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Project Number:	_
Only filled out by staff	

Date, initials



BILLING CONTA	ACT FORM		
Project Name: Replat of Dripping Springs Retail Center Subdivision			
Project Address: 598 E HWY US 290, Dripp	ing Springs, TX 78620		
Project Applicant Name: Zachary Morgan			
Billing Contact Information			
Name: Benjamin R. Scott			
Mailing Address: 646 South Flores Street			
San Antonio, TX 78204			
Email:	Phone Number:		
Type of Project/Application (check all that apply):			
☐ Alternative Standard	☐ Special Exception		
☐ Certificate of Appropriateness	☐ Street Closure Permit		
☐ Conditional Use Permit	☐ Subdivision		
☐ Development Agreement	☐ Waiver		
☐ Exterior Design	☐ Wastewater Service		
☐ Landscape Plan	☑ Variance		
☐ Lighting Plan	☐ Zoning		
Site Development Permit	☐ Other		

Applicants are required to pay all associated costs associated with a project's application for a permit, plan, certificate, special exception, waiver, variance, alternative standard, or agreement, regardless of City approval. Associated costs may include, but are not limited to, public notices and outside professional services provided to the City by engineers, attorneys, surveyors, inspectors, landscape consultants, lighting consultants, architects, historic preservation consultants, and others, as required. Associated costs will be billed at cost plus 20% to cover the City's additional administrative costs. Please see the online Master Fee Schedule for more details. By signing below, I am acknowledging that the above listed party is financially accountable for the payment and responsibility of these fees.

Signature of Applicant Date