



NEW HANOVER COUNTY PLANNING & INSPECTIONS

Application for ***SPECIAL EXCEPTION***

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Petitioner Information	Property Owner(s) <i>If different than Appellant</i>	Subject Property
Name	Owner Name	Address
Company	Owner Name 2	Parcel ID
Address	Address	Area
City, State, Zip	City, State, Zip	Summary of Special Exception Requested:
Phone	Phone	
Email	Email	
Application Tracking Information (Staff Only)		
Case Number	Date/Time received:	Received by:

APPLICATION OVERVIEW

In order to assist petitioners through the process for requesting a special exception, petitioners are highly encouraged to attend a pre-application conference prior to application submittal. Petitioners are requested to review the Section 63.11 of the Zoning Ordinance prior to submission, and advised to contact Planning Staff with any questions.

Requests for special exceptions to any of the provisions of Section 63.11 of the Zoning Ordinance may be taken to the Board of Adjustment. The Board of Adjustment will hear and decide on the special exception in a quasi-judicial proceeding. The Board of Adjustment shall grant a special exception to any provision of this ordinance as a reasonable accommodation under the Federal Fair Housing Act if the Board finds by the greater weight of the evidence that the proposed special exception is:

1. "Reasonable." An accommodation will be determined to be reasonable if it would not undermine the legitimate purposes and effects of existing zoning regulations, and if it will not impose significant financial and administrative burdens upon the County and/or constitute a substantial of fundamental alteration of the County's ordinance provisions; and
2. "Necessary." An accommodation will be determined to be necessary if it would provide direct or meaningful therapeutic amelioration of the effects of the particular disability or handicap, and would afford handicapped or disabled persons equal opportunity to enjoy and use housing in residential districts in the County.

A concurring vote of four-fifths (4/5) of members of the Board is necessary to grant a special exception.

Unless otherwise published or announced, Zoning Board of Adjustment meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 5:30PM in the Lucie F. Harrell Conference Room at 230 Government Center Drive. All meeting dates and application deadlines are published on the New Hanover County Planning website.

