Applying for a Subdivision Variance

Idaho County’s Subdivision Ordinance contains a provision to allow a variance in the event strict compliance with the requirements of the Ordinance would result in extraordinary hardship to the sub-divider. Upon application, the Board may grant a variance, modification or waiver of certain requirements set forth in the Ordinance. No variance shall be granted unless the Board, after a public hearing, finds:

1. That there are such special circumstances or conditions affecting said property that the strict application of the provisions of this Ordinance would clearly be impracticable, or unreasonable.
2. That the granting of the specified variance will not be detrimental to other property in the area in which said property is situated.
3. That such variance will not violate the provisions of the Idaho Code; and
4. That such variance will not have the effect of nullifying the interest and purpose of this Ordinance and the Comprehensive Development Plan.

A public hearing before the Board is required. In order to provide public notice of said hearing, a notice giving the date, time and location of the public hearing must be published in the Idaho County Free Press and mailed to adjoining property owners at least 15 days prior to the public hearing. Notices and publication are the responsibility of the Clerk for the Board of County Commissioners. An administrative fee of $400 must accompany the application and is used to offset the publication and certified mailing fees associated with carrying out the above requirements.

Practically speaking, depending upon when the application and fees are received, the timeframe for this process is approximately 3-4 weeks.
IDAHO COUNTY
APPLICATION FOR SUBDIVISION VARIANCE

Property Owner Name:
Mailing Address:
Phone Number:

Legal Description of Property:

Reason for seeking a variance:

Explain how property is to be split:

Signature of Owner or Legal Representative
Date:

Office Use Only

$400 Variance Fee Paid Public Hearing Date
Publication Date

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