

OLDHAM COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS AND APPEALS August 6, 2025

Summary of Application

Docket:	OC-25-033
Request:	Variance – Road Frontage
Applicant:	Christopher & Andrea Houser
Location:	6315 W. Hwy 42
Existing Land Use:	Residential
Existing Zoning:	AG-1, CO-1
Total Site Size:	39.5-acres
Tax Parcel:	19-00-00-10E



Surrounding Zoning:

North – Land Use: Residential/ Agricultural

Zoning: AG-1, CO-1

South – Land Use: Residential/ Agricultural

Zoning: AG-1

East – Land Use: Residential/ Agricultural

Zoning: AG-1, CO-1

West – Land Use: Agricultural Zoning: AG-1, CO-1

Board of Adjustments Action:

An application has been filed requesting a Road Frontage Variance for property located at 6315 W. Hwy 42, Goshen.

Site History:

Initially the accessory structure "barndiminium" was designated as the primary structure on the property. In November 2022, A Conditional Use Permit and Locational Variance for a Detached Accessory Dwelling Unit was approved by the Oldham County Board of Adjustments following the construction of the new home which is now designated as the primary structure.

Case History:

Agenda Posted to Planning Website: 7/24/2025 Adjoining Property Owner Notices Mailed: 7/24/2025 Public Notice Appeared in Oldham Era: 7/31/2025

Notes:

- 1. The applicant is proposing to create a new 2.009-acre lot known as Tract #2.
- 2. The residual Tract #1 is 37.474-acres.
- 3. The applicant has stated that the division is necessary to put the remaining property into a family trust.
- 4. Sections 020-020 and 030-020 state that the required road frontage for property zoned AG-1 or CO-1, that is 2.5 acres or less, is 150 ft.
- 5. The newly proposed Tract #2 will have 0 feet of road frontage therefore requiring a 150 feet Road Frontage Variance.
- 6. The residual Tract #1 will have 343 ft of road frontage.
- 7. The structure currently designated as the detached ADU would again become the primary structure on the newly created Tract #2.

VARIANCE Tract #2:

Motions and Findings:

Every motion to approve a variance or conditional use must state the finding(s) required by statute or regulation <u>and</u> must also state the reasons for the motion. Every motion to deny must state the reasons for the motion.

Suggested motions to approve or deny are set out below.

Variances:

The applicant is requesting a Road Frontage Variance for the newly proposed Tract #2

Required Road Frontage: 150 feet Requested Road Frontage: 0 feet Variance Requested: 150 feet

Motions:

Move to approve the variance because it will not adversely affect the public health, safety or welfare, will not alter the essential character of the general vicinity, will not cause a hazard or nuisance to the public, and will not allow an unreasonable circumvention of the requirements of the zoning regulations because	
Motion	to deny the variance because (any one or all of the following):
	to deny the variance because (any one or all of the following):
a.	It will adversely affect the public health, safety or welfare because;
b.	It will alter the essential character of the general vicinity because;
C.	It will cause a hazard or nuisance to the public because ;
d.	It will allow an unreasonable circumvention of the requirements of the zoning regulations
	because .

In deciding on a variance, you may consider whether:

- a. The requested variance arises from special circumstances which do not generally apply to land in the general vicinity or in the same zone;
- b. The strict application of the provisions of the regulation would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of the land or would create an unnecessary hardship on the applicant; and
- c. The circumstances are the result of actions of the applicant taken subsequent to the adoption of the zoning regulation from which relief is sought.

You cannot approve a variance which is the result of willful violations of the zoning regulation by the applicant subsequent to the adoption of the zoning regulation from which relief is sought.

Conditions of Approval:

- 1. The road frontage variance shall only apply to the application considered at the August 6, 2025, Oldham County Board of Adjustments public hearing.
- 2. A minor plat application and survey must be submitted to staff for review and approval prior to the issuance of any building permits.

Considerations:

* Refer to the applicant's justification statement and other evidence in the record.

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Move to **deny** the variance because the proposed use is **not** essential or desirable to the community, or is in conflict with the elements and objectives of the Comprehensive Plan, or is not in compliance with the zoning regulations, based on the following factual determinations and conclusions

DIVISION 020 AG-1 AGRICULTURAL/RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT

Sec. 020-010 AG-1 Agricultural/Residential District: Intent

The AG-1 Agricultural/Residential District is intended to: (1) support and encourage agriculture for the purpose of recognizing the cultural heritage of the community and the agricultural contribution to the economic base; and (2) minimize urban-type development in rural areas until urban-type services and utilities can be efficiently provided.

Sec. 020-020 AG-1 Agricultural/Residential District: Development Regulations

Minimum Lot Area:

43,560 square feet

Minimum Road Frontage:

150 feet for lots 2.5 acres or less

300 feet for lots 2.5 acres or more

Minimum Lot Width:

150 feet for lots under 2.5 acres

300 feet for lots 2.5 acres or more

Minimum Lot Depth:

200 feet

Maximum Structure Height:

35 feet (agriculture structures are exempt)

Minimum Front Yard Setback:

50 feet

Minimum Side Yard Setback:

15 feet

Minimum Street Side Yard Setback:

50 feet; or

75 feet when adjacent to an arterial

roadway

Minimum Rear Yard Setback:

40 feet

Maximum Lot Coverage for Structures:

20 percent of the lot area

DIVISION 030 CO-1 CONSERVATION/RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT

Sec. 030-010 CO-1 Conservation/Residential District: Intent

The Conservation/Residential District is intended to promote and protect significant natural features, wooded areas, water courses, existing and potential lake sites, other recreational and conservation resources, wildlife habitat, present and future water supplies, and to minimize erosion of soil and the siltation and pollution of streams and lakes.

Sec. 030-020 CO-1 Agricultural/Residential District: Development Regulations

Minimum Lot Area:

43,560 square feet

Minimum Road Frontage:

150 feet for lots under 2.5 acres

300 feet for lots 2.5 acres or more

Minimum Lot Width:

150 feet for lots under 2.5 acres

300 feet for lots 2.5 acres or more

Minimum Lot Depth:

200 feet

Maximum Structure Height:

35 feet (agriculture structures are exempt)

Minimum Front Yard Setback:

50 feet; or

75 feet when adjacent to an arterial roadway

Minimum Side Yard Setback:

5 feet

Minimum Street Side Yard Setback:

50 feet; or

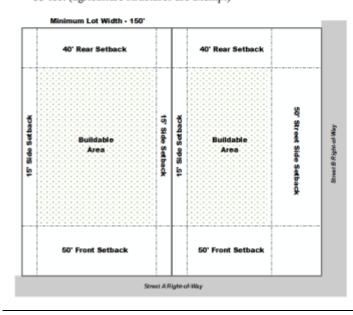
75 feet when adjacent to an arterial roadway

Minimum Rear Yard Setback:

40 feet

Maximum Lot Coverage for Structures:

20 percent of the lot area



Additional Standards that may Apply: Accessory Dwelling Units....Sec 250-040 Accessory Uses & Struc.....Sec 250-030 Agritourism Buildings......Sec 260-035 Barrel Warehouses.....Sec 250-320 ...Sec 250-310 Brew pubs..... Distillery & Brewery.....Sec 250-300Sec 330-010 Home Occupation.....Sec 260-230 Fences & Walls.....Sec 250-090 Capacity of Infrastructure...Division 270 Highway 53 Overlay Dist.Division245 Historic Preservation......Division 240 Landscaping......Division 300 Lighting.....Division 310 Parking..... ...Division 280 ..Division 290