



County of Albemarle
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To: Albemarle County Board of Supervisors
From: Rebecca Ragsdale, Planning Manager
Date: September 16, 2026
Re: **SE-2026-00014**
Gourley-Thorp Driveway Special Exception
Parcel IDs: 09600000001300
Magisterial District: Samuel Miller
School Districts: Red Hill E.S., Walton M.S., Monticello H.S.
Zoning: RA Rural Areas

Summary of Request for Special Exception:

The applicant requests a special exception from County Code §18-4.6.6 to allow an existing driveway to exceed 16% to serve a proposed single family dwelling. (Attachment A) The proposed driveway would exceed 16-20% in limited locations (215') and is within an existing 30' shared driveway easement. There is no objection from the County Engineer or Fire Marshal to the request.

Detailed staff analysis is provided as Attachment C.

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the Board adopt the attached Resolution (Attachment D) to approve the proposed modification.

Attachments:

- A. Applicant Narrative and Exhibits
- B. Location Map
- C. Staff Analysis
- D. Resolution to Approve