

RESOLUTION NO. 26-R-

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING A REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION REQUEST, PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, a petition for a Reasonable Accommodation was duly filed with the Growth Services Department and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned application was considered at a public hearing held by the Board of County Commissioners of Marion County, Florida, at its meeting on Tuesday, May 19, 2026. Now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Marion County, Florida:

1. **SECTION 1. REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION 260510RA – Russell & Karen Loges**, the petition requesting a **Reasonable Accommodation** under the Fair Housing Act, as submitted by Russell & Karen Loges, to allow for three (3) goats, four (4) geese and two (2) ducks on the subject property, in a Single-Family Dwelling (R-1) zone, on an approximate 0.95 Acre Parcel, on Parcel Account Number 1753-035-020, Site Address 6500 SW 202nd Court, Dunnellon, FL 34431

SECTION 2. FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS. The Board has determined that this request will not adversely affect the public interest, is consistent with the Marion County Comprehensive Plan, and is compatible with the surrounding land uses. The Board of County Commissioners **agrees/disagrees** with the recommendation of **approval with conditions/denial** and findings of the Planning and Zoning Commission, and approves the Special Use Permit subject to the following conditions:

1. The applicant will maintain a well-kept area for the goats by changing bedding once a week. Bedding and animal waste produced by the animals must be stored in sealed containers and will be disposed of weekly at an off-site disposal center. The sealed containers must be stored behind the house and must not be stored within 25 feet of adjacent properties.
2. The applicant will maintain the property's perimeter fencing and animal pen fencing. Perimeter and animal pen fencing must be secured in place and in good condition without holes, gaps, or other means for escape.
3. The applicant may relocate or expand the animal pens provided that the animal pens remain behind the house and do not encroach into 25-foot rear or side setbacks.

4. The Reasonable Accommodation is attached to the applicant, not the property, and does not transfer with ownership.
5. The applicant acknowledges that only three (3) goats. Other animals are permitted in compliance with the Land Development Code and County Ordinances.
6. The applicant must notify the Growth Services Director when any of the goats passes away.
7. Under this Reasonable Accommodation. Marion County Code Enforcement may access the property for inspections as necessary, with prior notification provided to the applicant.

SECTION 3. REVOCATION. Violation or failure to comply with one or more condition(s) of this Special Use Permit shall be grounds for revocation of this Special Use Permit by the Board at a noticed public hearing.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

DULY ADOPTED in regular session this 19th day of May 2026.

ATTEST:

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA**

GREGORY C. HARRELL, CLERK

CARL ZALAK, III, CHAIRMAN