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## PUBLIC NOTICE July 16, 2019 Inn of Lake City, Inc. King & Prince Hotel Construction of a New ADA Compliant Crosswalk with a Ramp and Stairs, Spa and Spa Equipment Storage Area, Installation of Brick and Concrete Paver Walkways, 201 Arnold Street St. Simons Island, Glynn County, Georgia

This serves as notification from the Shore Protection Committee and the Georgia Department of Natural Resources of a request from Inn of Lake City, Inc. for a Shore Protection Act (SPA) permit under Official Code of Georgia (O.C.G.A.) 12-5-230 *et. seq.* for the construction of a new ADA compliant crosswalk with a ramp and stairs, a spa and spa equipment storage area, and installation of brick and concrete paver walkways, within the State's SPA Jurisdiction, at 210 Arnold Street, St. Simons Island, Glynn County, Georgia.

The applicant's lot is approximately 153,410 sq.ft. (3.52 acres), of which approximately 40,105 sq.ft. (0.92 acres) are located within the state's SPA jurisdictional area. Existing impacts within the jurisdictional area total approximately 22,285 sq.ft. (0.51 acres), which include swimming pools, concrete pool decks, a children's sand box structure, pergola structures, a grill hut, existing fencing, an outdoor dining area, a pedestrian and bicycle easement, maintained lawn, landscaping, native planting area(s), asphalt, stone, concrete walkways, crosswalk, and an equipment building.

The applicant's proposed modifications include constructing a new ADA compliant crosswalk 28 ft. north of the existing concrete crosswalk structure. The new ADA compliant crosswalk will be constructed using marine grade pressure treated wood, and will consist of a 40 ft. by 6 ft. 6 in. ramp perpendicular to the shoreline, with a

6 in. slope from the upland, which connects to a 30 ft. by 5 ft. ramp with a maximum ramp slope of 1:12, which is oriented parallel to the shoreline. Also attached to the crosswalk will be a set of stairs, which will be located at the seaward most portion of the 40 ft. ramp. The existing concrete crosswalk will be abandoned. Prior to abandonment, the concrete crosswalk will be covered with rock revetment material and with beach quality sand, as needed. All construction activities will be completed by use of hand-tools or by using machinery staged landward of the rock revetment.

Other proposed modifications include construction of an outdoor spa within the footprint of the existing children's sandbox play structure (242 sq.ft.), construction of a spa equipment storage area adjacent to the existing pool equipment building (50 sq.ft.), the addition of pool paver decking (108 sq.ft.) surrounding the proposed spa, addition of a new brick and concrete walkway (21 sq.ft.) for additional boardwalk access, and a new concrete walkway and retaining wall (96 sq.ft.) increasing access to the new ADA compliant crosswalk. As proposed the new hardscape impacts will be approximately 275 sq.ft., and the total jurisdictional impacts will be approximately 22,560 sq.ft. (56%). Approximately, 17,545 sq.ft. (44%) of the State's jurisdictional area would remain in a natural or improved topographic and vegetative condition consisting of existing landscape areas and lawns.

It is the responsibility of the applicant to demonstrate that the project is not contrary to the public interest and that no feasible alternative sites exist. In passing upon the application for permit, the permit issuing authority shall consider the public interest which for purposes of this part shall be deemed to be the following considerations: (1) Whether or not unreasonably harmful, increased alteration of the dynamic dune field or submerged lands, or function of the sand-sharing system will be created; (2) Whether or not the granting of a permit and the completion of the applicant's proposal will unreasonably interfere with the conservation of marine life, wildlife, or other resources; and (3) Whether or not the granting of a permit and the completion of the applicant's proposal will unreasonably interfere with reasonable access by and recreational use and enjoyment of public properties impacted by the project.

A detailed public notice with drawings has been distributed and is available by visiting the Department of Natural Resources website: <u>CoastalGaDNR.org</u> under "Marsh & Shore Permits". Please provide this office with substantive, site-specific comments as to why the proposed work should or should not proceed. Comments and questions concerning this proposed project should be submitted in writing and be submitted by the close of business on August 15, 2019 to Amy Flowers, Department of Natural Resources, One Conservation Way, Brunswick, Georgia 31520.





