

Memorandum

Date:

June 28, 2018

To:

SOUTHERN NEVADA DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH

From:

Jeremy Harper, REHS, Environmental Health Supervisor Karla Shoup, REHS, Environmental Health Manager

Herb Sequera, REHS, Director of Environmental Health

Joseph P. Iser, MD, DrPH, MSc, Chief Health Officer

Subject:

Variance Request to Operate three Public Bathing Places not in Compliance with the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 444.128, 444.442, and 444.454; FP Holdings LP, dba Palms Casino Resort, located at 4321 West Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, Nevada 89103; [Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 162-19-501-004] for Health Permits PR0124011, Scott Zucker and Desmond

Stevens, for the Owner(s), FP Holdings LP.

I. BACKGROUND:

FP Holdings LP, dba Palms Casino Resort is petitioning for a variance as requested by Scott Zucker of Station Casinos and Desmond Stevens of STO Design Group, representatives for the owner, to construct and operate one public swimming pool not in compliance with the following: Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 444.128.7, which states that "All stairs entering a pool must be recessed into the walls of the pool and a guardrail must be provided in the walkway around the stairwell. An exception to this will permit the construction of steps at the shallow end of the pool."

In addition, Palms Casino Resort is petitioning for a variance to construct and operate two public spas not in compliance with NAC 444.442.1, which states that "Spa steps, ladders or recessed treads must be provided when the spa is more than 2 feet (61 cm) deep;" 444.442.2, which states that "A spa must be equipped with at least one handrail (or ladder equivalent) for each 50 feet of perimeter or portion thereof, to designate the point or points of entry and exit;" and 444.454.1, which states that "A continuous, unobstructed deck at least 4 feet wide, including the coping, must be provided around at least half of the perimeter of the spa."

The public bathing places are located on APN 162-19-501-004, at 4321 West Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, Nevada.

II. DISCUSSION:

For the public swimming pool, the petitioner is requesting a variance from NAC 444.128, which would allow them to construct East Pool at the property with a set of stairs in the deep area, without the stairs being recessed into the wall. The top tread of the proposed stairs is an extended shelf and is uniformly submerged at the 7" water depth. An additional set of wall step treads is also provided for exiting from the deep water of the pool. The footprint of the pool lies mostly within an existing structural depression. The depression floor slopes downward from east to west which predicates the respective locations of the shallow and deep ends. It is not possible to recess the proposed deep end stairs into the pool wall as the pool depth abruptly decreases to 7" only, to negotiate the perimeter wall of the depression. In addition to the stairs, a recessed step tread ladder set of pool steps is provided from the deep end of the pool to the surrounding deck.

For the public spas, the petitioner is requesting a variance from NAC 444.442 and 444.454, which would allow them to construct two identical spas. The spas are located in the men's and women's hot lounges, and are raised 18" above the surrounding deck to maintain headroom beneath at level 1 by averting intrusion of the spa shell into that space. Headroom would otherwise be significantly reduced.

While the raised condition obstructs the spas' perimeter, there is a minimum 4' wide unobstructed deck for 38% of the perimeter immediately adjacent to the obstruction. The maximum distance from the perimeter length of deck for any bather cannot exceed 7'-9" from any location within the body of water.

The evidence presented for granting a variance to permit FP Holdings LP to deviate from NAC 444.128, 444.442, and 444.454, is listed below.

The petitioner states the following in regard to this requirement:

1. There must be circumstances or conditions which are unique to the applicant, and do not generally affect other persons subject to the regulation:

East Pool:

The pool is located partially within and partially outside a structural depression. The depression's as-built floor slopes downward in the east to west direction, which precludes locating stairs in a 3'-6" shallow end depth and providing a 4'-1" deep area, because the pool floor would necessarily intersect the existing structural slab.

The proposed maximum pool depth is only 4'-1" and the stairs in that location are thus categorized as not being in the "shallow end" of the pool. The stairs' deviation from NAC 444.128.7 is from not being recessed into the pool wall. This is not feasible due to the pool's edge being beyond the vertical wall of the depression. This existing condition was resolved by transitioning to a 7" water depth extended shelf on the deep end stairs. The 7" water depth mitigates the need for a guardrail around the proposed stairs.

The unique configuration of the existing structure is a project specific condition. The pool will in all respects, other than the stairs not being recessed into a pool wall, comply with the requirements for ladders, stairs, decks, markings, recirculation, etc.

Granting a variance will not affect other persons subject to regulations for minimum depth since this relates to existing structures and circumstances at Palms Casino Resort. The design of the water body will comply in all respects with the requirements of Nevada Administrative Code, Chapter 444.

Public Spas:

The spas are located on a second, elevated floor, and have a water depth of 3.5 ft. and 6" of freeboard. Without raising the spa wall adjacent the deck by 18", the floor of the basins would project into the headroom at the lower level. The raised wall does provide ADA compliant access to the spa for a bather, by sitting on the wall cap and rotation of the body [Note added by staff: SNHD does not determine or enforce ADA compliance].

A 4' minimum width deck abuts the open, 10' long run of the spas' front walls.

The percentage of adjacent perimeter deck is 38%, slightly less than 50%, but by its small size, a bather can never be further than 7'-9" from the deck.

Granting a variance will not affect other persons subject to regulations for spa decks since the circumstances of both limited headroom beneath and confined horizontal space are a project specific condition at Palms Casino Resort. The design of the water body will comply in all respects other than those cited in the variance application with the requirements of Nevada Administrative Code, Chapter 444.

2. There must be circumstances or conditions which make compliance with the regulation unduly burdensome and cause a hardship to and abridge a substantial property right of the applicant, and the variance is necessary to render substantial justice to and preserve the property rights of the applicant:

Compliance with the current regulations would be unduly burdensome, cause hardship, and is necessary for Palms Casino Resort for the following reasons:

East Pool:

- a. Design of the pool area is now far advanced and the requirement to reverse the existing slope of the structural depression will be exorbitantly costly and necessitate extensive re-design; construction and design costs estimated at \$1,150,000.
- b. In the increasingly competitive Las Vegas market, limiting the East Pool's depth would detract from guests' enjoyment by failing to provide the expected summer bathing experience. The East Pool's important marketing role would be impaired by such a deficiency. The hardships incurred by compliance with the regulation would be lessened project visibility, reduced property occupancy, and decreased revenues, estimated at \$5.5 million per annum.

c. Additional re-design, resubmittal, and permitting time to Clark County Building Department would be an estimated four months.

Public Spas:

- a. Design of the pool area is now far advanced and without accommodation of the raised edge, a substantial redesign of the entire space will be necessary. Additional design and construction costs for the upper level structural modifications are estimated at \$475,000.
- b. In the increasingly competitive Las Vegas market, the raises fronts of the spas significantly enhance their functionality also serve an important role in marketing value. The hardships incurred by compliance with the regulation would be lessened project visibility, reduced property occupancy, and decreased revenues, estimated at \$1.5 million per annum.
- c. Additional re-design, resubmittal, and permitting time to Clark County Building Department would be an estimated four months.
- 3. Granting the variance will not be detrimental or pose a danger to the public health and safety:

East Pool:

The variance will not be detrimental or pose a danger to public health and safety; as "deep end stairs" are a common feature and the depth at that point is only 4′-0″. The pool will be designed incorporating all necessary and NAC intended safety provisions, subscribing in all other respects to the requirements of Nevada Administrative Code, Chapter 444.

Public Spas:

The variance will not be detrimental or pose a danger to public health and safety, since a minimum 4ft. width deck is provided no further than 7"-9'. from any bather; the raised edge meeting ADA Code and providing a means of access for all bathers and being of no hinderance.

All aspects pertaining to ease of access, high visibility and safety of bathers are addressed in the design.

III. <u>RECOMMENDATION</u>:

1. With regard to a variance from NAC 444.128 regarding the stairs in the East Pool, staff is of the opinion that circumstances exist which satisfy the requirements for a variance, and that granting a variance from these regulations will not be detrimental or pose a danger to public health and safety.

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2. With regard to a variance from NAC 444 for deck obstructions for the two public spas, staff is of the opinion that circumstances exist which satisfy the requirements for a variance, and that granting a variance from these regulations will not be detrimental or pose a danger to public health and safety.

Staff recommends approval of a variance with the conditions outlined below.

IV. CONDITIONS

- 1. The petitioner agrees to maintain the walkway area around the spas accessible and free from obstructions;
- 2. The petitioner agrees to adhere to all other applicable requirements of the Public Bathing Places Public Spas Regulations, NAC 444;
- 3. Failure of the petitioner to prevent public health and safety issues, as determined by the health authority, will result in the voiding of this variance;
- 4. This variance is automatically terminated without further notice upon the closing of any sale transaction involving the subject property, or upon petitioner leasing or assigning operation of these public bathing pools and spas to any other person or entity.

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Attachments:

- A. Nevada Secretary of State Corporate Information
- B. Variance Application Letter
- C. Variance Candidate Worksheet
- D. Assessor's Parcel Information
- E. Assessor's Map
- F. Area Plans and Architectural Details
- G. Public Notice

ATTACHMENT A

FP HOLDINGS, L.P.

				
Business Entity Information				
Stat	us: Active	File	Date: 5	5/16/2011
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Additional Infor	mation			
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Registered Age	nt Information			
Nan	ne: STATION CASINOS	LLC Addr	ess 1: 1	505 S PAVILION CENTER DR
Address	3 2:		City: L	AS VEGAS
Sta	ite: NV	Zip	Code: 8	9135
Pho	ne:		Fax:	
Mailing Address	1:	Mailing Addr	ess 2:	
Mailing C	ty:	Mailing	State: N	IV
Mailing Zip Co	de:			
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General Partner - FIE	STA PARENTCO, L.L.C.			
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ATTACHMENT B



March 14, 2018

Ms. Jacqueline Reszetar, Environmental Health Division Dir. Southern Nevada Health District Environmental Health Division - Pool Plan Desk 330 S. Valley View Blvd. Las Vegas, NV 89152

Subject:

Palms Casino Resort 4321 W. Flamingo Road Las Vegas, NV 89103

EAST POOL - Variance Application

Dear Ms. Reszetar:

Please accept this letter and a Variance Candidate worksheet, together with plans and sections of the referenced project's "East Pool", as a request to grant a variance to deviate from NAC section 444.128.7 - "Ladders and stairs" - requiring that stairs be recessed into the walls of the pool and a guardrail provided in the walkway around the stairwell.

Specifically, the variance application is to grant conditions that:

The proposed pool may have a set of stairs in its deep area, (where the water depth is 4'-1"), without these stairs being recessed into the pool wall or the requirement for a guardrail in the walkway around the stairwell. The top tread of the proposed stairs is an extended shelf and uniformly submerged at the 7" water depth. An additional set of wall step treads is also provided for exiting from the deep water end of the pool.

Please note the following project information:

Business Address of Owner: FP Holdings LP 1505 S. Pavilion Center Dr. Las Vegas, NV 89135

Project Location: 4321 W. Flamingo Road Las Vegas, NV 89103

Assessor's Parcel Number: 162-19-501-004

Operator: Palms Casino Resort 4321 W. Flamingo Road Las Vegas, NV 89103 (702) 942-7777

Contact name for the Owner: Name: Scott Zucker, Sr. Project Director Cell phone: (702) 286-3826

Per the concept plan presented and discussed with SNHD pool review staff on March 7, 2018, the resort's intent is that the two largest water bodies on the project's primary recreational deck are pools with areas of 4+/- ft. water depth, being the norm and expected bathing experience in Las Vegas casino resort environments.

The proposed profile of the East Pool deviates from NAC 444 in one respect, thus:

Section 444.128.7 requires that stairs entering a pool must be recessed into the walls of the pool and a guardrail must be provided in the walkway around the stairwell. There is an exception to this in the code, for steps at the shallow end of a pool. However, an existing structural condition precludes locating stairs in the shallow end of the pool.

The footprint of the 3,674 sq.ft. water surface area pool, 'egg-shaped' in plan view, lies mostly within, but also partially outside, an existing structural depression, The depression floor slopes downward from east to west which predicates the respective locations of the shallow and deep ends. It is not possible to recess the proposed deep end (i.e. > 3'-6" water depth) stairs into the pool wall as the pool depth abruptly decreases to 7" only, to negotiate the perimeter wall of the depression. In addition to the stairs, a recessed step tread ladder set of pool steps is provided from the deep water end of the pool to the surrounding deck.

The following lists the conditions, circumstances and issues that support granting a variance to the project, thus:

EVIDENCE SUBMITTED FOR GRANTING A VARIANCE:

The evidence presented for granting a variance to permit Palms Casino Resort to deviate from NAC regulations 444.128.7 is as follows:

- (1) There are circumstances or conditions which are unique to the applicant, thus:
 - a. The pool is located partially within and partially outside an existing structural depression. The depression's as-built floor slopes downwards in the east to west direction, which precludes locating stairs in a 3'-6" shallow end depth and providing a 4'-1"deep area, because the pool floor would necessarily intersect the existing structural slab.
 - b. The proposed maximum pool depth is only 4'-1" and the stairs in that location are thus categorized as not being in the "shallow end" of the pool. The stairs' deviation from NAC 444.128.7 is from not being recessed into the pool wall. This is not feasible, due to the pool's edge being beyond the vertical wall of the depression. (This existing condition was resolved by transitioning to a 7" water depth extended shelf on the deep end stairs). The 7" water depth mitigates the need for a guardrall around the proposed stairs.
 - c. The unique configuration of the existing structure is a project specific condition. The pool will in all respects, other than the stairs not being recessed into a pool wall, comply with the requirements for ladders, stairs, decks, markings, recirculation, etc.
- (2) Do not generally affect other persons subject to regulations:

Granting a variance will not affect other persons subject to regulations for minimum depth since this relates to existing structures and circumstances at Palms Casino Resort. The design of the water body will comply in all respects with the requirements of Nevada Administrative Code, Chapter 444.

(3) Make compliance with the regulation unduly burdensome, cause hardship and granting the variance is necessary to render substantial justice to the applicant and enable their preserving and enjoying a property right:

Compliance with the current regulations would be unduly burdensome, cause hardship and is necessary for Palms Casino Resort for the following reasons -

- a. Design of the pool area is now far advanced and the requirement to reverse the existing slope of the structural depression will be exorbitantly costly and necessitate extensive re-design; construction and design costs estimated at \$1,150,000
- b. In the increasingly competitive Las Vegas market, limiting the East Pool's depth would detract from guests' enjoyment by failing to provide the expected summer bathing experience. The East Pool's important marketing role will be impaired by such a deficiency. The hardships incurred by compliance with the regulation would be

lessened project visibility, reduced property occupancy and decreased revenues, estimated at \$5.5 million per annum.

- Additional re-design, resubmittal and permitting time to Clark County Bldg. Dept. would be an estimated four months.
- (4) Granting the Variance will not be detrimental or pose a danger to public health and safety:

The variance will not be detrimental or pose a danger to public health and safety; as "deep end stairs" are a common feature and the depth at that point is only 4'-0". The pool will be designed incorporating all necessary and NAC intended safety provisions, subscribing in all other respects to the requirements of Nevada Administrative Code, Chapter 444.

Enclosed herein are:

- 1. Plans and sections of the pool
- 2. Variance Candidate Worksheet
- 3. Variance Application Letter
- Variance Application Fee of \$1,181.00

Please contact me if you require any further information for your consideration of this variance request.

Sincerely

Matthew L. Heinhold - Authorized Signatory, FP Holdings, L.P.

cc: Scott Zucker, Station Casinos
Desmond Stevens, STO Design Group



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Subject:

Palms Casino Resort

4321 W. Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, NV 89103

HEALTH SPA - Men's & Women's Lounges Hot Spas - Variance

Application

Dear Ms. Reszetar:

Please accept this letter and Variance Candidate worksheet, together with plans and sections of the referenced project's two identical spas in the Men's and Women's Wet Lounges, as a request to grant a variance to deviate from NAC section 444.442 - "Steps, ladders, treads and handrails required" – (subsections 444.442.1 and 444.442.2) and section 444.454.1 - "Decks: Dimensional design". These spas are raised 18" above the surrounding deck, to maintain headroom beneath at Level 1, by averting intrusion of the spa shell into that space - which would otherwise be significantly reduced.

While the raised condition obstructs the spas' perimeter, there is a minimum 4 ft. wide, unobstructed and uninterrupted deck for 38% of their perimeter, immediately adjacent the obstruction. Further, while approximately 60% of the spas' perimeters are inaccessible, a bather's max. distance from the (38%) perimeter length of deck cannot exceed 7'-9" feet at any location within the water body.

The recessed spa basins are approximately circular; a constraint imposed by the limited available area on the building's second level. The rectilinear front wall of each spa is 18" high, facing the main lounge area, and meets all the requirements as a "transfer wall" for ADA Code compliance. It can be readily used by any guest for access or egress to/from the water body.

The raised edge of the spas resolves the intrusion into the headroom of the floor below.

Please note the following project information:

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Project Location: 4321 W. Flamingo Road Las Vegas, NV 89103

Assessor's Parcel Number: 162-19-501-004

Operator: Palms Casino Resort 4321 W. Flamingo Road Las Vegas, NV 89103 (702) 942-7777

<u>Contact name for the Owner:</u>
Name: Scott Zucker, Sr. Project Director
Cell phone: (702) 286-3826

Per the concept plan presented and discussed with SNHD pool review staff on March 7, 2018, the two identical spas deviate from NAC 444 as follows:

Section 444.442.1 requires that "Spa steps, ladders or recessed treads must be provided when the spa is more than 2 feet deep." In this instance, an ADA compliant "Transfer Wall" is proposed as the means of entry/exit to and from the spas for all bathers, in lieu of steps, ladders or recessed treads.

Section 444.442.2 requires that "A spa must be equipped with at least one handrail (or ladder equivalent) for each 50 ft. of perimeter or portion thereof, to designate the point or points of entry and exit." These spas, (total perimeter only 26 ft.) will have an ADA handicapped "Transfer Wall" with a grab rail, in lieu of stairs with a handrail.

Section 444.454.1 requiring "A continuous unobstructed deck at least 4 feet wide, including the coping, must be provided around at least half of the perimeter of the spa."

The spas are mostly circular, approx. 8' in diameter with one corner chamfered to accommodate a skimmer; the opposing corner chamfered for symmetry. The water surface of each is 52 sq.ft. While steps are required every 50 ft. of perimeter by code, the total perimeter

is 26 ft. of which 10 ft. - (38% of the spa's perimeter) - is an 18" raised wall adjacent an unobstructed, 4 ft. min. width deck.

The following lists the conditions, circumstances and issues that support granting a variance to the project, thus:

EVIDENCE SUBMITTED FOR GRANTING A VARIANCE:

The evidence presented for granting a variance to permit Palms Casino Resort to deviate from NAC regulations 444.442.2 and 444.454.1 is as follows:

- (1) There are circumstances or conditions which are unique to the applicant, thus:
 - a. The spas are located on a second, elevated floor and have a water depth of 3.5 ft. and 6" of freeboard. Without raising the spa wall adjacent the deck by 18", the floor of the basins would project into the headroom at the lower level. (The raised wall does provide ADA compliant access to the spa for a bather, by sitting on the wall cap and rotating the body).
 - b. A 4 ft. minimum width deck abuts the open, 10 ft. long run of the spas' front walls.
 - c. The percentage of adjacent perimeter deck is 38%, slightly less than 50%, but by its small size, a bather can never be further than 7-9" from the deck.
- (2) Do not generally affect other persons subject to regulations:

Granting a variance will not affect other persons subject to regulations for spa decks since the circumstances of both limited headroom beneath and confined horizontal space are a project specific condition at Palms Casino Resort. The design of the water body will comply in all respects other than those cited in the variance application with the requirements of Nevada Administrative Code, Chapter 444.

(3) Make compliance with the regulation unduly burdensome, cause hardship and granting the variance is necessary to render substantial justice to the applicant and enable their preserving and enjoying a property right:

Compliance with the current regulations would be unduly burdensome, cause hardship and is necessary for Palms Casino Resort for the following reasons -

- a. Design of the Health Spa is now far advanced and without accommodation of the spas' raised edges, a substantial redesign of the entire space will be necessary. Additional design and increased construction costs for the upper level structural modifications are estimated at \$475,000.
- b. In the increasingly competitive Las Vegas market, the raised fronts of the spas significantly enhance their functionality and also serve an important role in marketing value. The hardships incurred by compliance with the regulation would be lessened

project visibility, reduced property occupancy and decreased revenues, estimated at \$1.5 million per annum.

- Additional re-design, resubmittal and permitting time to Clark County Bldg. Dept. would be an estimated four months.
- (4) Granting the Variance will not be detrimental or pose a danger to public health and safety:

The variance will not be detrimental or pose a danger to public health and safety, since a minimum 4 ft. width deck is provided no further than 7'-9" from any bather; the raised edge meeting ADA Code, providing a means of access to the basin for all bathers and being of no hindrance.

All aspects pertaining to ease of access, high visibility and safety of bathers are addressed in the design.

Enclosed herein are:

- 1. Plans and sections of a typical spa
- Variance Candidate Worksheet
- 3. Variance Application Letter
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cc: Scott Zucker, Stations Casinos
Desmond Stevens, STO Design Group

ATTACHMENT C



VARIANCE CANDIDATE WORKSHEET

PART I:

ESTBLISHMENT INFORMATION

Name of Facility/Establishment: Palms Casino Resort				
Health Permit Number: Date of Inquiry: March 7, 2018				
Name of Operator/Agent: Samuel Tiano - Nightlife/pool Manager				
Address of Operator/Agent: 4321 W. Flamingo Rd., Las Vegas, NV 89103				
Contact Information of Operator/Agent:				
Office Phone: (702) 942-7777 Cell Phone:				
Fax Number: Email Address: samuel.tiano@stationcasinos.com				
If corporation, the name/title of individual to sign for Variance document:				
Name: Matthew Heinhold				
Title: Authorized Signatory				
OWNER INFORMATION				
Name of Property Owner: FP Holdings LP				
Address of Property Owner: 1501 S. Pavilion Center Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89135				
Contact Information of Property Owner: Scott Zucker				
Office Phone: (702) 495-3000 Cell Phone: (702) 286-3826				
Fax Number: Email Address: Scott.Zucker@stationcasinos.com				
PROPERTY INFORMATION				
Property Address: 4321 W. Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, NV 89103				
Assessor's Parcel Number (APN): 162-19-501-004				
Describe location within larger facility (i.e. hotel/casino/resort, etc.):				
East Pool of the Main Pool Deck within Palms Casino Resort.				
The 3,674 sq.ft. water surface area pool will be a tension edge type - (i.e. water surface at the surrounding deck elevation),				
The pool will have a recessed tread ladder at the shallow (east) end and one recessed tread ladder plus a set of stairs at its deep (west) end.				
The proposed pool's footprint falls mostly within, but also partially outside, an existing structural depression which in longitudinal profile				
slopes downward in the east to west direction - (Reversing this relatively steep slope would entail extensive demolition and structural rework).				
The pool is one of seven water bodies, (in addition to another pool and five spas), on the main level of the Pool Deck.				
Describe Variance Issue (s): (Include sections of the Regulation or Nevada Administrative Code				
that applies to the request for a variance)				
NAC 444.128.7 - Stairs are located in the pool's deep end, but cannot be recessed into the pool wall to meet the Code section provisions.				
This is because the perimeter wall of the structural depression bunker abruptly steps up its full height, within the pool footprint.				
The stairs ascend from the pool floor - (at the deep, 4'-1" max. water depth) - to a large, extended top tread with only 7" water depth,				
so bridging over the perimeter of the structural depression's wall perimeter. The shallow and deep ends of the pool are not interchangeable.				
If the 3'-6" shallow depth was located at the west end of the pool, the depth could only increase by 1", moving east, before intersecting				
with the existing depression's concrete slab floor. For bather enjoyment and guest experience, a 4 ft.+ water depth area is essential.				

PART II:

Nevada Administrative Code 439.240 states in general that certain conditions or circumstances must be shown to exist in order for a Board of Health to approve a request for a Variance from adopted public health regulations. A variance application letter (as noted below in PART III) MUST specifically address each of the following issues:

1. There must be circumstances or conditions which are unique to the applicant, and do not generally affect other persons subject to the regulation. Please indicate how your request is unique to your situation and is, therefore, not likely to affect other persons subject to the regulations:

The pool is located partially within a depression which has a structural concrete slab floor that rises in the west to east direction. This precludes locating a 3'-6" depth "Shallow end" in the west end of the pool and deepening that to a 4' + depth in an east "Deep end". The desired depth profile can be achieved deepening the pool from east to west, but the deep end stairs cannot be recessed into the pool wall per NAC 444.128.7 because of the Interference with the wall of the vertical depression.

The existing structural depression's profile is a unique condition and thereby not likely to affect other persons subject to the regulations. The proposed deep end stairs are only 6" taller than 3"-6" which is allowed by Code in the shallow of pools and do not require being recessed into the wall. Further, the top tread of these stairs is an extended shallow shall with 7" depth water, which mitigates the need for a guardrail around stairs recessed into a pool wall. The pool will in all other respects comply with requirements for ladders, stairs, markings, recirculation, etc.

2. There must be circumstances or conditions which make compliance with the regulation unduly burdensome and cause a hardship to and abridge a substantial property right of the applicant, and the variance is necessary to render substantial justice to and preserve the property rights of the applicant. Please indicate in what manner compliance with the regulation would be burdensome or cause a hardship on your business or how the free use of your property may be affected (if economic factors are an issue, please include estimates regarding the costs that would incurred by compliance):

Design of the Pool Area is far advanced and the requirement to reverse the existing slope of the structural depression floor slab will necessarily entail substantial re-design of the pool and structural depression rework, at an estimated additional design and construction costs of \$1,150,000. Compliance with the current regulation would be burdensome and cause hardship on The Palms business in the increasingly competitive Les Vegas resort market. Limiting the East Pool's water depth to only 3'-6" does not provide the expected summer bathing experience for Las Vegas resort guests and the East Pool's important marketing role will be significantly impaired with a depth limitation. The hardships incurred by compliance with the regulation would be lessened project visibility, reduced property occupancy and decreased revenues, estimated at \$5.5 million per annum.

Additional re-design, resubmittal and permitting time to Clark County Bldg. Dept. would be an estimated four months.

3. Granting the variance will not be detrimental or pose a danger to the public health and safety. Please provide evidence that the variance request, if approved, will not adversely affect the
safe and sanitary operation of the applicant(s) pool, spa, or food establishment:
The variance will not be detrimental or pose a danger to public health and safety, as "deep end" stairs are a common feature in resort pools,
and the stairs proposed are also integral with a shallow water Baja shelf. The pool will be designed incorporating all necessary and
NAC Ch. 444 safety provisions. Granting the variance will not affect other persons subject to regulations.

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 - (2) Do not generally affect other persons subject to the regulation;
 - (3) Make compliance with the regulation unduly burdensome; and
 - (4) Cause a hardship to and abridge a substantial property right of the applicant; and
 - (b) Granting the variance:
 - (1) Is necessary to render substantial justice to the applicant and enable the applicant to preserve and enjoy

his or her property right; and

- (2) Will not be detrimental or pose a danger to public health and safety.
- Whenever an applicant for a variance alleges that he or she suffers or will suffer economic hardship by complying with the regulation, the applicant must submit evidence demonstrating the costs of compliance with the regulation. The Board will consider the evidence and determine whether those costs are unreasonable.

[Bd. of Health, Variances Reg. §§ 2.7-2.8, eff. 10-16-80; A 2-5-82; 1-19-84]

PART III:

A Variance Application Letter, which includes all information provided by the applicant on his worksheet, must be submitted in writing to the Environmental Health Division (EHD) Director no later than 40 days before the monthly Board of Health Meeting. The Application letter must be on the owner's letterhead signed by the Owner/Corporate Officer specifically listing which part(s) of the Regulation the proposed Variance covers with this completed Worksheet as an attachment. The written Application Letter must take particular care in providing statements and evidence of circumstances or conditions and reasons why the District Board of Health should grant the Variance as listed in NAC 439.240 as shown at the top of this page. ALL information you have provided in PART I and II of this Worksheet must be included in the body of the letter. The evidence required may include $8\,1/2^\circ$ x 11° or 11° x 17° detailed drawings and/or photographs.

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(Signature of SNHD Manager	•)		



VARIANCE CANDIDATE WORKSHEET

PART I:

ESTBLISHMENT INFORMATION

Name of Facility/Establishment: Palms Casino Resort				
Health Permit Number: Date of Inquiry: March 7, 2018				
Name of Operator/Agent: Samuel Tiano - Nightlife/pool Manager				
Address of Operator/Agent: 4321 W. Flamingo Rd., Las Vegas, NV 89103				
Contact Information of Operator/Agent:				
Office Phone: (702) 942-7777 Cell Phone:				
Office Phone: Cell Phone: Email Address: samuel.tiano@stationcasinos.com				
If corporation, the name/title of individual to sign for Variance document:				
Name: Matthew Heinhold				
Title: Authorized Signatory				
OWNER INFORMATION				
Name of Property Owner: FP Holdings LP				
Address of Property Owner: 1501 S. Pavilion Center Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89135				
Contact Information of Property Owner: Scott Zucker				
Office Phone: (702) 495-3000 Cell Phone: (702) 286-3826				
Fax Number: Email Address: Scott.Zucker@stationcasinos.com				
PROPERTY INFORMATION				
Property Address: 4321 W. Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, NV 89103				
Assessor's Parcel Number (APN): 162-19-501-004				
Describe location within larger facility (i.e. hotel/casino/resort, etc.):				
Men's & Women's Wet Lounge hot spas, Palms Casino Resort Health Spa.				
The Men's & Women's Lounge identical hot spas in the Palms Health Spa are small, 52 sq.ft basins, each with eight hydrotherapy jets.				
The spas, recessed into alcoves, are approximately circular but have a straight, 18" raised wall facing the respective lounges. This wall is compliant				
with requirements for ADA access as a "Transfer Wall" and is intended for use by all bathers, for access into and out of the spas.				
The raised front walls of the spas run for 38% of the total 26 ft. spa perimeter and are immediately adjacent 4 ft. minimum width				
unobstructed decks.				
Describe Variance Issue (s): (Include sections of the Regulation or Nevada Administrative Code				
that applies to the request for a variance)				
NAC 444.442.1 - requires "Spa steps, ladders or recessed treads must be provided when the spa is more than 2 feet deep". In this instance,				
an ADA compliant "Transfer Wall" is proposed as the means of entry/exit to and from the spas for all bathers, in lieu of steps, ladders or recessed treads.				
NAC 444.442.2 - requires "A spa must be equipped with at least one handrail (or ladder equivalent) for each 50 ft. of perimeter". These				
spas, (total perimeter length only 26 ft.) will have an ADA handicapped "Transfer Wall" with a grab rail, in lieu of stairs with a handrail.				
NAC 444.454.1 - requires "A continuous unobstructed deck at least 4 ft. wide, including the coping, must be provided around at least				
half of the perimeter of the spa".				

PART II:

and out of the spas.

Nevada Administrative Code 439.240 states in general that certain conditions or circumstances must be shown to exist in order for a Board of Health to approve a request for a Variance from adopted public health regulations. A variance application letter (as noted below in PART III) MUST specifically address each of the following issues:

1. There must be circumstances or conditions which are unique to the applicant, and do not generally affect other persons subject to the regulation. Please indicate how your request is unique to your situation and is, therefore, not likely to affect other persons subject to the regulations:

The spas are located on the second floor of the building and have a 3'-6" depth and 6" of freeboard.

Without raising the spas' front walls adjacent the deck by 18", the floors of the basins would intrude into the headroom below at Level 1.

A 4 ft. minimum width deck abuts the open, straight, 10 ft. run of 18" high wall on the spas.

The 18" high wall meets all ADA requirements as a "Transfer Wall" and can be readily used by all bathers for ingress and egress into

There is 4 ft. minimum width, unobstructed deck around 38% of the total 26 lineal ft. of the spas' perimeters.

The small, 52 sq.ft. water surface area of the spas is confined in approximately 8 ft. diameter circular basin configurations.

The maximum distance between a bather and the deck adjacent the front "Transfer Wail" of the spa in 7"-9"

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Design of the Health Spa is far advanced and without accommodation of the front raised walls on the spas, substantial re-design of the

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ATTACHMENT D

GENERAL INFORMATION	
PARCEL NO.	162-19-501-004
OWNER AND MAILING ADDRESS	F P HOLDINGS L P %VP FIN 4321 W FLAMINGO RD LAS VEGAS NV 89103-3903
LOCATION ADDRESS CITY/UNINCORPORATED TOWN	4321 W FLAMINGO RD PARADISE
ASSESSOR DESCRIPTION	PARCEL MAP FILE 109 PAGE 99 LOT 1
RECORDED DOCUMENT NO.	* 20111130:03441
RECORDED DATE	Nov 30 2011
VESTING	NS

*Note: Only documents from September 15, 1999 through present are available for viewing.

ASSESSMENT INFORMATION AND VALUE EXCLUDED FROM PARTIAL ABATEMENT		
TAX DISTRICT	470	
APPRAISAL YEAR	2017	
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INCREMENTAL LAND	0	
INCREMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS	0	

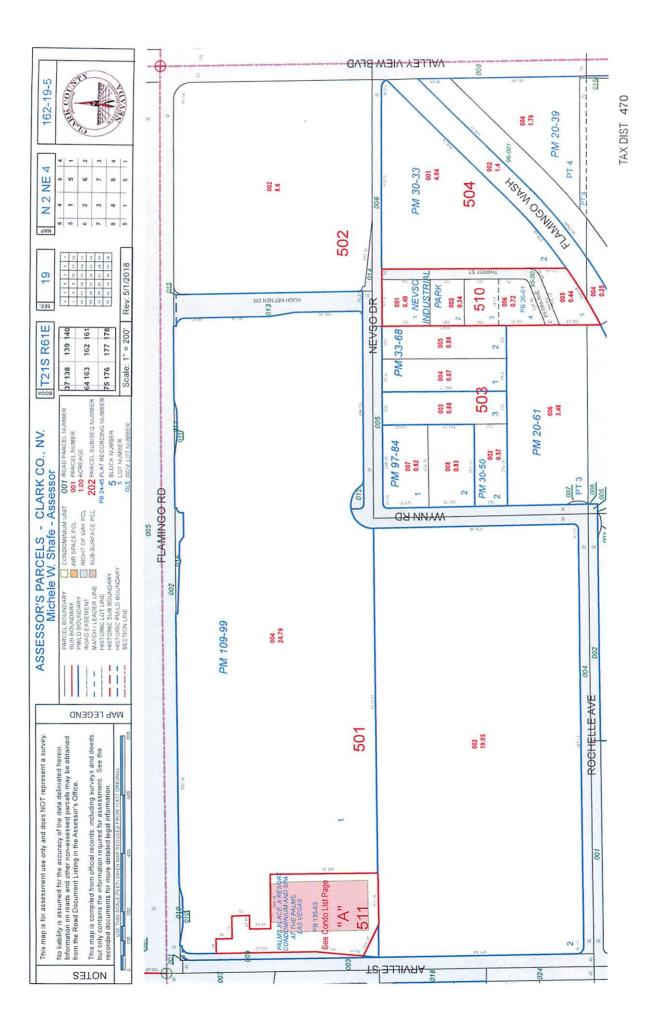
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EXEMPT	О	21653099	
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TAXABLE LAND+IMP (SUBTOTAL)	300531037	288239274	
COMMON ELEMENT ALLOCATION ASSD	0	0	
TOTAL ASSESSED VALUE	105185863	100883746	
TOTAL TAXABLE VALUE	300531037	288239274	

ESTIMATED LOT SIZE AND APPRAISAL INFORMATION				
ESTIMATED SIZE	24.79 Acres			
ORIGINAL CONST. YEAR	2001			
LAST SALE PRICE MONTH/YEAR SALE TYPE	0			
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DWELLING UNITS	470			

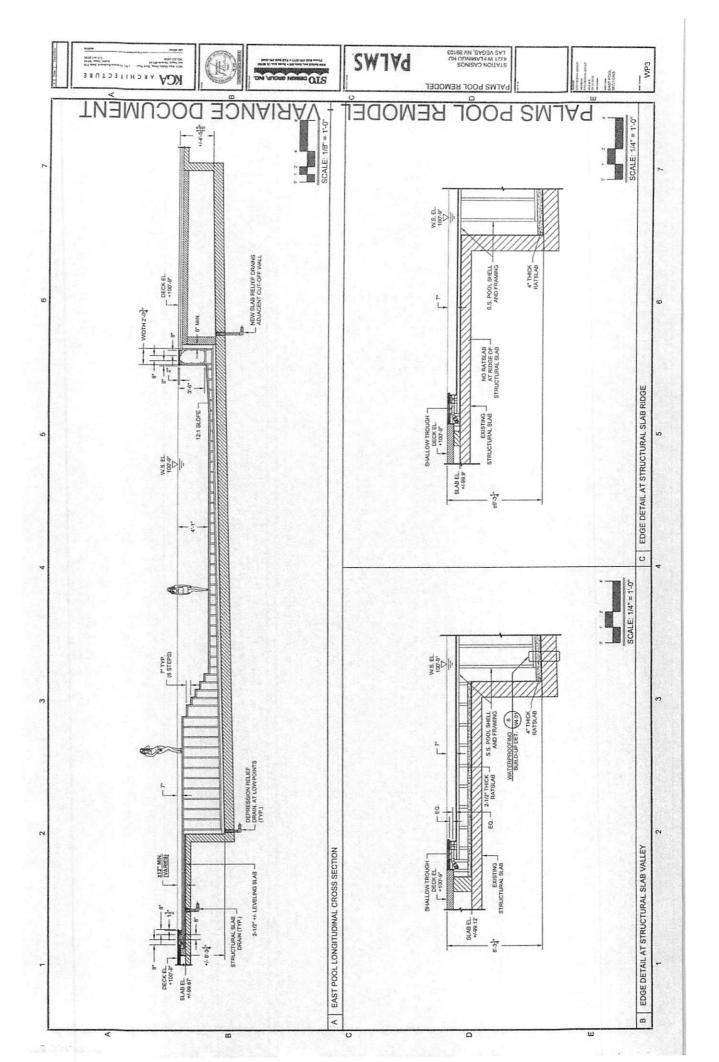
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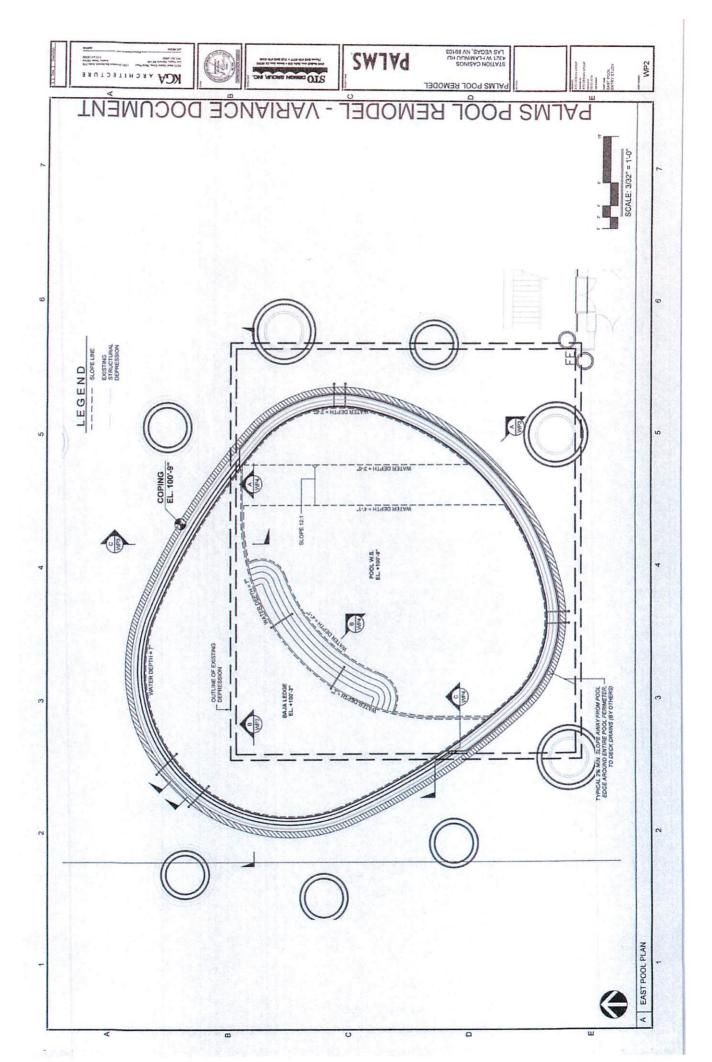
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UNFINISHED BASEMENT SQ. FT.	0	BEDROOMS	0	TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION	
FINISHED BASEMENT SQ. FT.	0	BATHROOMS	0	ROOF TYPE	
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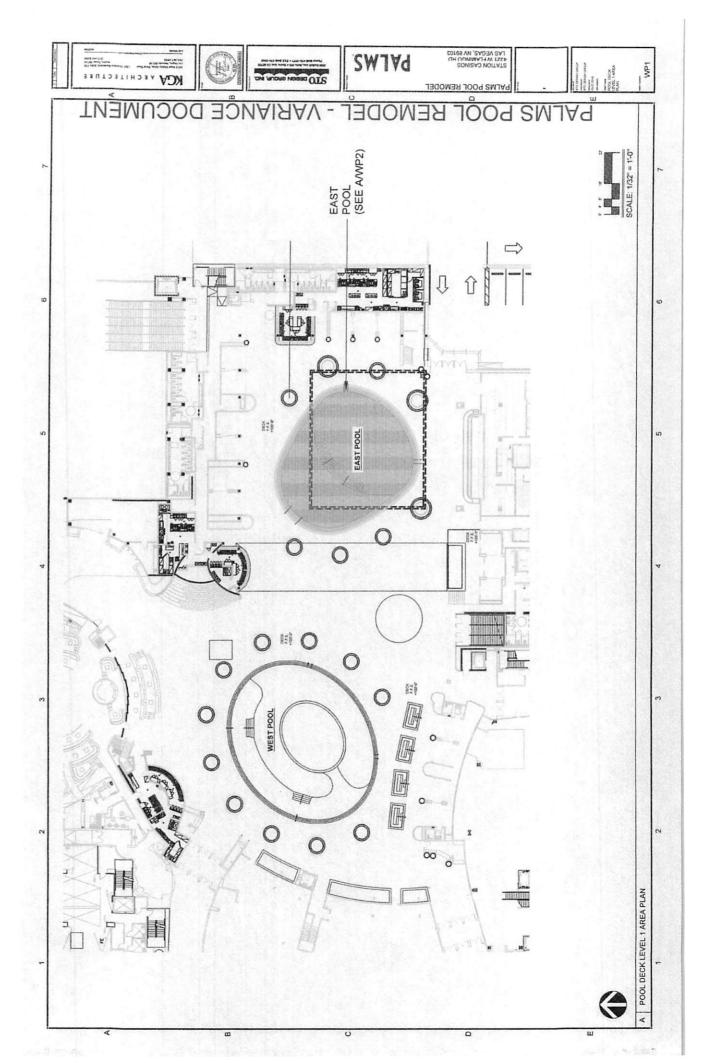
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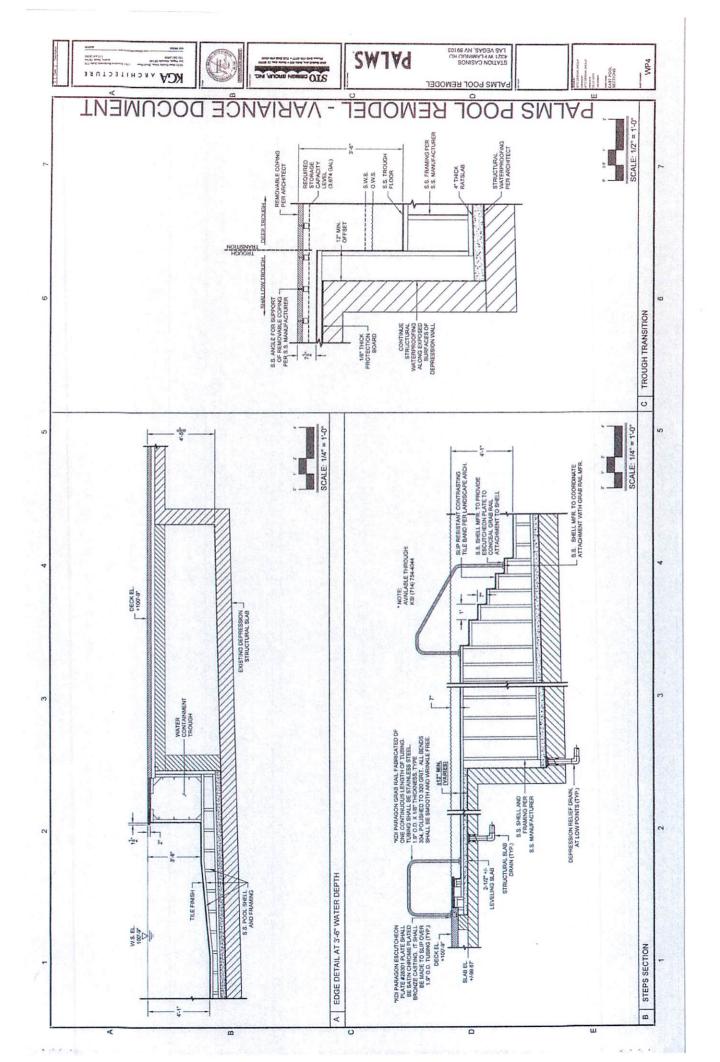


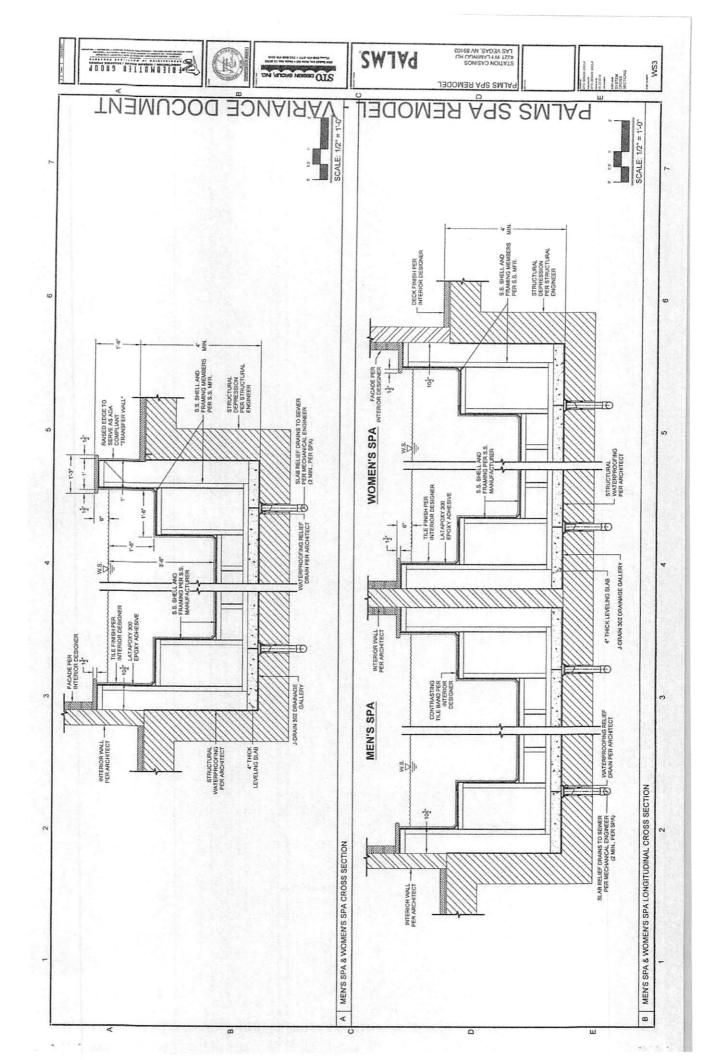
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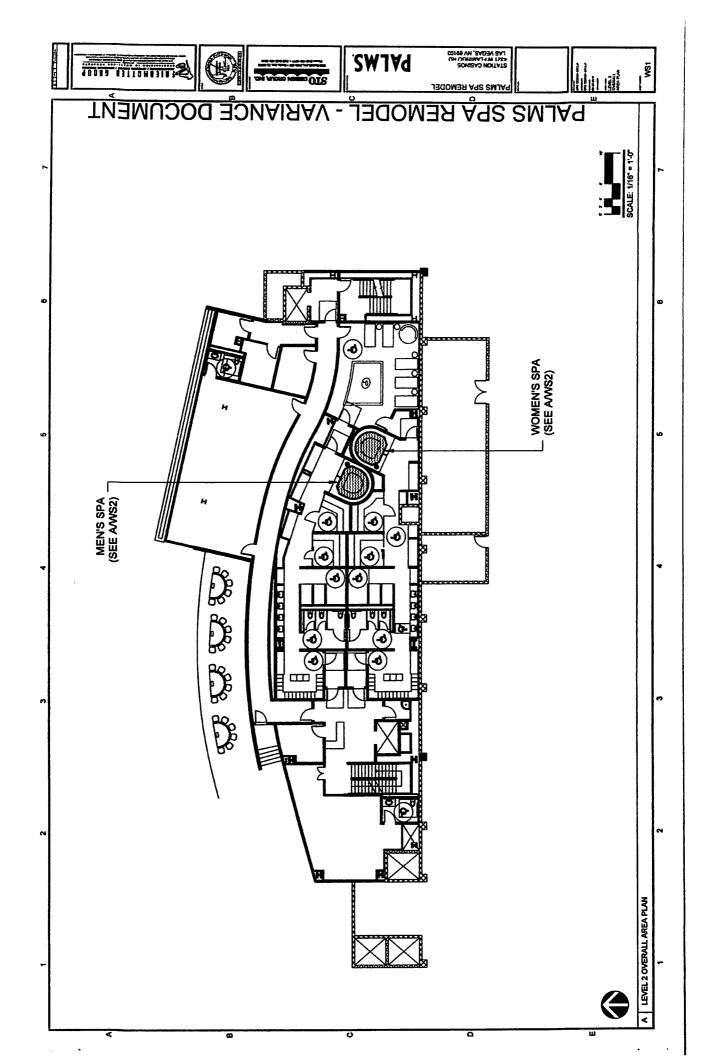


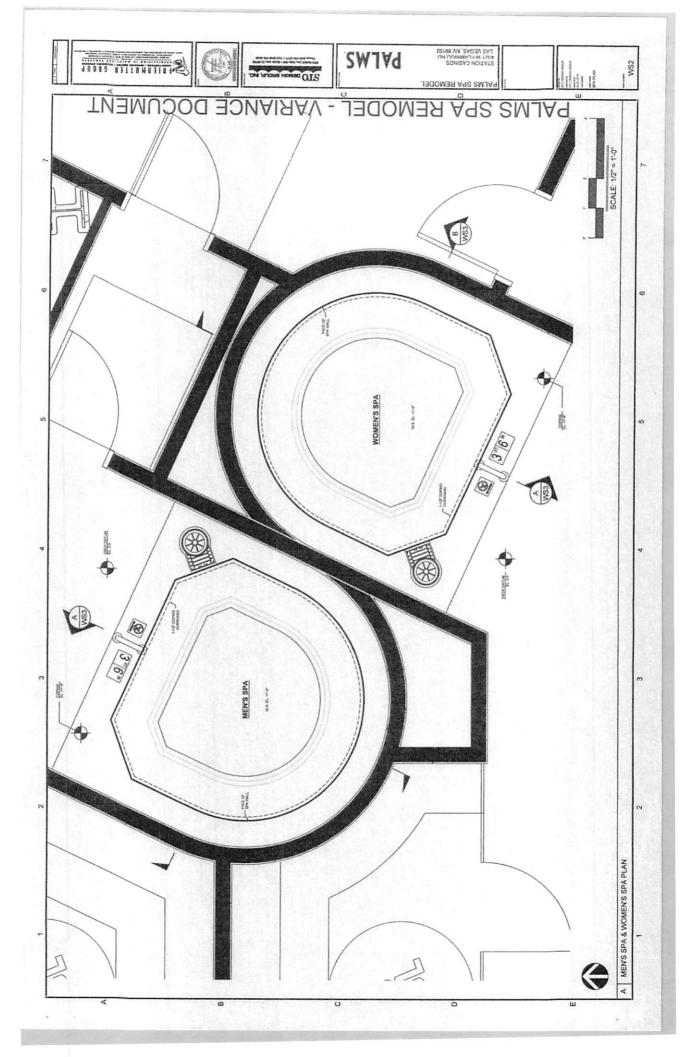












ATTACHMENT G



PUBLIC NOTICE

The Southern Nevada Health District Board of Health will conduct a PUBLIC HEARING on June 28, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. during its monthly meeting held at 280 S Decatur Blvd, Las Vegas, NV 89107, to approve or deny a variance request to operate public bathing places not in compliance for FP Holdings LP, DBA Palms Casino Resort, located at 4321 West Flamingo Rd, APN 162-19-501-004. Note, if this application is not presented at the June 28, 2018 meeting, it will be presented at the July 26, 2018 meeting.

The variance request is made to allow the Petitioner to operate public bathing places – the east pool as well as the men's and women's hot spas – not in accordance with the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 444 Public Bathing Places and Public Spas. The request allows the east pool to be constructed not in compliance with NAC 444.128.7 – ladders and stairs; and the hot spas to be constructed not in compliance with NAC 444.442 – Steps, ladders, treads and handrails required and NAC 444.454.1 – Decks: Dimensional design.

Interested persons may appear at the public hearing and present their views thereon. Written comments will also be considered by the Southern Nevada Health District Board of Health and must be forwarded to Jeremy Harper, Environmental Health Supervisor for the Aquatic Health Program, Southern Nevada Health District, P.O. Box 3902, Las Vegas, Nevada 89127-3902, or via email at harper@snhd.org, no later than June 21, 2018. The variance application request is available for review at the Southern Nevada Health District, Environmental Health Division, 333 N Rancho Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89106.

If there are special viewing needs, please contact Bonnie Archie at (702) 759-0572 or archie@snhd.org to schedule an appointment to review the permit application during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Copies of the documents may be requested during that time for \$1.00 per page.

	June 7, 2018	
Herbert L Sequera, Environmental Health Director	Date	
Southern Nevada Health District		