

DETERMINATIONS

The Board of Adjustment shall make the following determinations prior to granting a variance:

- 1. That special conditions and circumstances exist which are peculiar to the land, the lot or something inherent in the land which causes the hardship, and which are not applicable to other lands in the same district;**

There are no special circumstances that exist which are peculiar to the land. The applicant wishes to add a detached accessory structure.

- 2. That a literal interpretation of the provisions of this Chapter would deprive the applicant of rights commonly enjoyed by other tracts in the same district;**

There have been 8 variance requests in the surrounding neighborhood, for setback and lot size. There are at least 9 other properties in the surrounding neighborhood that are over the maximum allowed lot coverage without a variance approval.

- 3. That granting the variance requested will not confer on the applicant any special privilege that is denied by this Chapter to other land in the same district;**

Granting this variance would not confer a privilege to this applicant that others in the subdivision do not have. This is an old subdivision and Staff found several properties that were over the maximum allowed lot coverage.

- 4. That the granting of the variance will be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of this Chapter and with the Growth Policy;**

The variance approval is in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the zoning regulations and the growth policy.

- 5. In granting any variance, the Board may prescribe appropriate conditions and safeguards in conformity with this Chapter. Violation of such conditions and safeguards, when made a part of the terms upon which the variance is granted, shall be deemed a violation of this Chapter;**

Staff is recommending the following conditions for the variance request;

1. The variance from 27-308 requiring a maximum lot coverage of 30% to allow a maximum lot coverage of 33% (2,439 square feet) in a Residential 7,000 (R-70) zone, for the purpose of construction 1 new detached garage. No other variance is intended or implied with this approval.
2. The variance is limited to the Lot 2, Block 11, Normandy Subdivision, 2nd Filing, generally located at 215 14th Street West, Tax ID# A11453.
3. The applicant will submit and obtain a building permit for the construction within 12 months of variance approval and have it completed within 18 months.
4. The garage will be constructed in substantial conformance to the drawings submitted with this variance request.
5. Construction or demolition activity will not occur prior to 7 am or after 8 pm daily.
6. The applicant shall meet all other city code requirements for the proposed addition with the exception of this variance.
7. Failure to begin or complete actions required by this approval within the time limits set forth shall void this variance.

8. These conditions of variance approval shall run with the land described in this authorization and shall apply to all current and subsequent owners, operators, managers, lease holders, heirs and assigns.

6. The Board shall prescribe a time limit within which the action for which the variance is required shall be begun or completed, or both. Failure to begin or complete such action within the time limit set shall void the variance; and

If the variance is approved; the property owner shall apply for a building permit to construct the garage within 12 months and complete construction within 18 months.

7. Under no circumstances shall the Board grant a variance to allow a use not permissible under the terms of this Chapter in the district involved. A variance shall not be a grant of special privilege inconsistent with limitations placed upon other property in the district.

The granting of this variance would not allow a use that is not already allowed in the zoning district – Residential -7000 zoning districts allow residential accessory structures and additions.