

Commissioner _____ introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

RESOLUTION #21-313

A RESOLUTION GRANTING A VARIANCE FOR AN ALTERNATIVE BARRIER TO A POOL FENCE ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 16501 JARVIS STREET NW

RECITALS

1. Allen and Alycia Skogquist, hereinafter referred to as the “Applicants”, has properly applied for a Variance to allow for a pool cover as an alternative barrier, an ASTM F1346-91 pool cover, from the swimming pool fence requirement on the property located at 16501 Jarvis Street NW and legally described as follows:

UNPLATTED RAMSEY TWP NW1/4 OF SW1/4 SEC 7-32-25, Anoka County, Minnesota (“Subject Property”)

2. That the Subject Property is zoned R-1 Residential (Rural Developing) District; the surrounding parcels are also zoned R-1 Residential (Rural Developing).
3. That the Subject Property is approximately 127.11 acres in size.
4. That the existing swimming pool, in the Northeast side of the property, is twenty (20) feet wide by fifty (50) feet long and without a fence surrounding the inground pool.
5. That the alternative to the required permanent fencing of at least four (4) feet, per City Code Section 105-55, requires a Variance approved by the Planning Commission.
6. The in accordance with City Code Section 105-55, regarding accessory uses and buildings, “all in ground swimming pools shall require that the area be secured by a permanent fence at least four feet in height”.
7. That the Applicants were issued a Building Permit for an accessory structure and swimming pool on September 16, 2021, which provided a site plan containing a fence surrounding the swimming pool. The fence was a correction that was added after Planning Staff noticed an absence of during the initial permit review.
8. That the Planning Commission met and held a duly noticed public hearing on November 18, 2021 and approved the request.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. That the proposed use **will not** adversely impact traffic in the area.
2. That the proposed use **will not** substantially or adversely impair the use, enjoyment or market value of surrounding properties.
3. That the proposed use **will** be constructed so as to be harmonious and appropriate in appearance with the existing or intended character of the general vicinity and such use will not change the essential character of the area.
4. That the proposed use **will not** create additional requirements at public cost for public facilities and services.
5. That the proposed use **will** be detrimental to the economic welfare of the community.
6. That the proposed use **will** be disturbing or hazardous to existing or future neighboring uses.
7. That the proposed use **will** involve uses, activities, processes, materials and equipment and conditions of operation that may be detrimental to any persons, property or the general welfare, by reason of excessive production of traffic, noise, smoke or glare.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF RAMSEY, ANOKA COUNTY, STATE OF MINNESOTA, as follows:

That the Ramsey Planning Commission hereby approves of a variance (the “Variance”) for an alternative barrier, an ASTM F1346-91 pool cover, from a four (4) foot pool fence on the Subject Property contingent upon the following conditions:

CONDITIONS

1. That this **Permit** allows for an inspection by the Building Official to verify the pool cover at the Subject Property is the F1346-91 pool cover and the pool cover functions under the standards of the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) for which the cover has been certified.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Commissioner _____, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same:

and the following abstained:

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