

CITY OF MADISON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Amended VARIANCE APPLICATION

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Address of Subject Property: 18 Chippeula Court Modison 53711
Name of Owner:
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Description of Requested Variance: See Attached
(See reverse side for more instructions)
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Amount Paid: \$300,0 Hearing Date: 1-20-22 Receipt: 110360 (900) (1-11-21) Published Date: 1-13-22
Receipt: $103600001 (1.1.21)$ Published Date: $1-13.22$ Published Date: $1-23.24$ Appeal Number: $1.0042 - 2021 - 00010$
Received By: NJK GQ: Parcel Number: $0709 - 294 \cdot 2717 \cdot 2$ Code Section(s): $28 \cdot 042 \cdot 22$ Zoning District: $TR \cdot U$
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DESCRIPTION OF REQUESTED VARIANCE

This is a request for a rear yard setback variance due to the lot being an irregular shaped lot and the 2017 ordinance change in how the rear yard setback is determined for irregular shaped lots. Before the 2017 ordinance change, no variance would have been needed for the proposed rear yard house addition.

Per the survey: 1. the rear yard set back is 30.05 feet from the rear lot line; 2. the northeast corner of the addition is 17.1 feet from the rear lot line; and 3. the northwest corner of the addition is 22.9 feet from the rear lot line.

The variance needed at the northeast corner of the addition is 12.95 feet and at the northwest corner of the addition is 7.15 feet.

Please note that parts of the existing house are within the newly defined rear yard set back and we assume are grandfathered.

Application Requirements

Please provide the following information: Incomplete applications could result in referral or denial by the Zoning Board of Appeals. (Maximum size for all drawings is $11'' \times 17''$.)

Ø	Pre-application meeting with staff : Prior to submittal of this application, the applicant has met to discuss the proposed project and submittal material with the Zoning Administrator.	
Ø	Site plan, drawn to scale. A registered survey is recommended, but not required. Show the following: Lot lines Existing and proposed structures, with dimensions and setback distances to all property lines Approximate location of structures on neighboring properties adjacent to variance Major landscape elements, fencing, retaining walls or other relevant site features Scale (1" = 20' or 1' = 30' preferred) North arrow	
Ø	Elevations from all relevant directions showing existing and proposed views, with notation showing the existing structure and proposed addition(s).	
, Ø	Interior floor plan of existing and proposed structure, when relevant to the variance request and required by Zoning Staff (Most additions and expansions will require floor plans).	
	Front yard variance requests only. Show the building location (front setback) of adjacent properties on each side of the subject property to determine front setback average.	
	Lakefront setback variance requests only. Provide a survey prepared by a registered land surveyor showing existing setbacks of buildings on adjacent lots, per MGO 28.138.	
	Variance requests specifically involving slope, grade, or trees. Approximate location and amount of slope, direction of drainage, location, species and size of trees.	
Ø	Digital copies of all plans and drawings should be emailed to: zoning@cityofmadison.com	
9	CHECK HERE. I understand that in order to process my variance application, City Staff will need access to my property so that they can take photographs and conduct a pre-hearing inspection of the property. I therefore give City Staff my permission to enter my property for the purpose of conducting a pre-hearing inspection and taking photographs.	
Ø	CHECK HERE. I acknowledge any statements implied as fact require supporting evidence.	
Ø	CHECK HERE. I have been given a copy of and have reviewed the standards that the Zoning Board of Appeals will use when reviewing applications for variances.	
Owner's Signature: Rome Al Montate beg Attoney Date: 11/23/21 (For Office Use Only)		
DECISION The Board, in accordance with its findings of fact, hereby determines that the requested variance for (is) (is not) in compliance with all of the standards for a variance. Further findings of fact are stated in the minutes of this public hearing.		
The Zoning Board of Appeals: Approved Denied Conditionally Approved		
Zoning Board of Appeals Chair: Date:		

STANDARDS FOR VARIANCE FOR 18 CHIPPEWA COURT

1. There are conditions unique to the property of the applicant that do not apply generally to other properties in the district.

The lot's location is near the very end of a cul-de-sac which results in an irregularly pie shaped lot. The lot also back up on the City's Southwest Bike Path which means there is no residential property bordering the rear property line.

In 2017, the City modified the definition of rear yard setback for an irregularly shaped lot. As a result of this redefinition, a variance is needed to make the addition to the back of our house. But for the revision to the rear yard setback, no variance would have been needed for the addition.

2. The variance is not contrary to the spirit, purpose, and intent of the regulations in the zoning district and is not contrary to the public interest.

Our back yard abuts the Southwest Commuter Path, and in addition there is a drainage ditch and a city right of way on the opposite side of the Path, which means there are no rear neighbors.

Our proposed addition does not impact the front view of the house. And it is not uncommon in Nakoma to have rear yard additions to the original house. It does not impinge on any side yard setback.

The 2017 rear setback redefinition precludes any further reasonable and useable space addition to the house. And we believe granting the variance puts us back to where it would be prior to the 2017 change.

The variance does not adversely affect light, air or open space relative to the neighboring properties.

3. For the area (setback, etc.) variance, compliance with the strict letter of the ordinance would unreasonably prevent use of the property for permitted purpose or would render compliance with this ordinance unnecessarily burdensome.

If there had been no change in definition of the rear yard setback there would be no need for a variance. The impact of the redefinition precludes any reasonable size, shape, or useful addition to the house. (In the prior adjourned hearing, the ZBA raised significant concerns as to a proposed second story addition adversely affecting the architectural neighborhood rhythm from the roadway.)

4. The alleged difficulty or hardship is created by the terms of the ordinance rather than by a person who has a present interest in the property.

The house was built in 1962, and the house's placement predates David's purchase in July 1977. The 2013 home's remodeling was in compliance with then existing rear setback standards.

The 2017 change in the zoning code's definition of the rear yard setback severely limits the size of any addition to the house and the usefulness of the proposed additional space.

The 2017 code change is the cause of the difficulty/hardship.

5. The proposed variance shall not create substantial detriment to adjacent property.

There are no houses facing our backyard due to the Commuter Path.

Any impact of granting the variance will have no detrimental impact on either house #14 or #22.

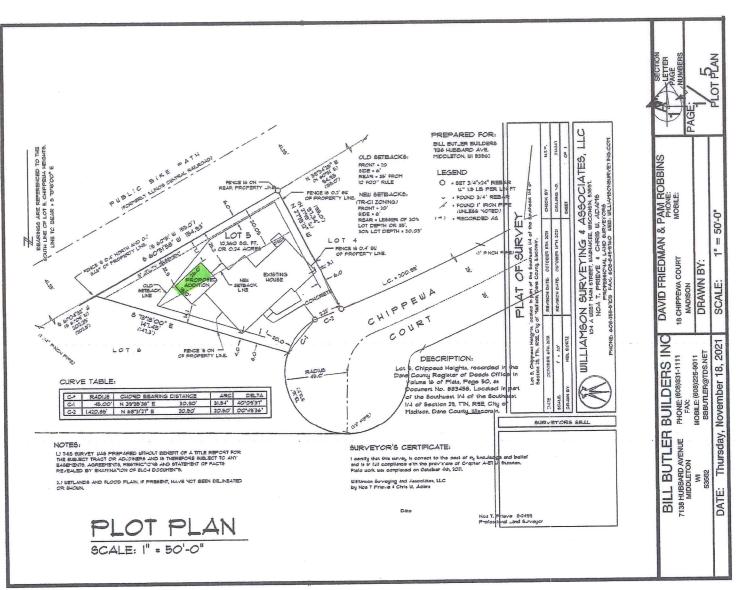
The addition is within the sideyard setback.

There is no adverse effect on light or air. Also there is no adverse architectural impact.

6. The proposed variance shall be compatible with the character of the immediate neighborhood.

Including our house, there are 9 homes on Chippewa Ct. Currently there are 5 ranch style homes, 3 split-level homes with rooms over their garage, and one home where only the garage faces the street. The rear addition will not alter this fact. The addition to the backyard does not change the front view of the house. Only the 2 side neighbors would notice the single-story addition. Moreover, the single-story addition to the rear of the house does not change the rhythm of the neighborhood as many homes in the immediate vicinity have some type of addition to the rear of the home.

Given the ZBA's concern over a second story addition to an otherwise single story house, we believe that the requested variance not only meets all the necessary factors of a variance, but is a superior solution.



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