#### **AGENDA**

## ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT AND APPEALS MEETING WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2022 - 4:30 PM MCALLEN CITY HALL, 1300 HOUSTON AVENUE CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS. 3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR

At any time during the course of this meeting, the Zoning Board of Adjustment and Appeals may retire to Executive Session under Texas Government Code 551.071(2) to confer with its legal counsel on any subject matter on this agenda in which the duty of the attorney to the Zoning Board of Adjustment and Appeals under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. Further, at any time during the course of this meeting, the Zoning Board of Adjustment and Appeals may retire to Executive Session to deliberate on any subject slated for discussion at this meeting, as may be permitted under one or more of the exceptions to the Open Meetings Act set forth in Title 5, Subtitle A, Chapter 551, Subchapter D of the Texas Government Code.

#### CALL TO ORDER - Chairperson Sylvia Hinojosa

#### 1. MINUTES:

a) Minutes for the meeting held on December 7, 2022.

#### 2. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- a) Request of Steve Barajas on behalf of Marcos Granados (property owner) for the following Special Exception request to the City of McAllen Zoning Ordinance to allow: 1) an encroachment of 20 feet into the 20 feet front yard setback for an existing metal carport measuring 21 feet by 21.66 feet, and 2) to allow an encroachment of 3.5 feet into the 6 feet west side yard setback for an existing metal carport measuring 21 feet by 21.66 feet, at Lot 109, Los Encinos Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas; 3609 Queta Avenue. (ZBA2022-0111)
- b) Request of Jesus Trevino, Jr. for the following Variance request to the City of McAllen Zoning Ordinance to allow an encroachment of 5 feet into the 10 feet rear yard setback for an existing porch canopy measuring 9 feet by 32 feet, at Lot 1, Terranova Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas; 2813 Fullerton Avenue. (ZBA2022-0114)
- c) Request of Rene Tapia for the following Special Exception request to the City of McAllen Zoning Ordinance to allow an encroachment of 15 feet into the 20 feet front yard setback for an existing canvas carport measuring 12 feet by 14 feet, at Lot 5, Brookwood Unit 2 Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas; 3801 Zinnia Avenue. (ZBA2022-0108)
- d) Request of Jesus C. Muniz for a Special Exception to the City of McAllen Zoning Ordinance to allow: 1) An encroachment of 10 feet into the 10 feet rear yard setback for an existing canvas roof carport measuring 19.5 feet by 17 feet, 2) a variance for an encroachment of 6 feet into the 6 feet south side yard setback for an existing porch canopy measuring 9.5 feet by 14 feet, 3) a variance for an encroachment of 6 feet into the 6 feet south side yard setback for an existing porch cover measuring 22 feet by 14 feet on Lot 7, Shady Oaks Unit 1 Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas; 6101 North 8th Street. (ZBA2022-0109)
- e) Request of David Perez for a Variance to the City of McAllen Off-Street Parking and Loading Ordinance to not provide one required parking space beyond the front yard setback line at Lot 94, Los Encinos III Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas; 2801 Ursula Avenue. (ZBA2022-0110)
- f) Request of Humberto Karr on Behalf of Jose Garza (owner) for the following Variance request to the City of McAllen Zoning Ordinance to allow an encroachment of 5 feet into the 20 feet rear yard setback along the south side for a proposed porch that measures 12 feet by 15 feet, at Lot 93, Gardenia Terrace No. 23 Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas; 3201 Eagle Avenue. (ZBA2022-0117)

- g) Request of Michael Perez for the following Special Exception request to the City of McAllen Zoning Ordinance to allow an encroachment of 25 feet in into the 25 feet front yard setback for an existing metal carport measuring 19 feet by 20 feet, at Lot 149, Saddle Creek Unit 2 Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas; 3404 Providence Avenue. (ZBA2022-0107)
- h) Request of Johnny Hinojosa for the following Special Exception request to the City of McAllen Zoning Ordinance to allow: 1) an encroachment of 20 feet into the 20 feet front yard setback for an existing wood and metal roof carport measuring 20 feet by 40 feet and 2) an encroachment of 6 feet into the 6 feet south side yard setback for an existing wood and metal roof carport measuring 20 feet by 40 feet at Lot 2, Block 1, Golden Acres Retirement Subdivision No. 2, Hidalgo County, Texas; 615 North 36th Street. (ZBA2022-0115)
- i) Request of David Omar Salinas on Behalf of Maria Eugenia Zabaleta (owner) for the following Variance request to the City of McAllen Off-Street Parking and Loading Ordinance to allow 5 parking spaces instead of the required 10 parking spaces for proposed commercial use at Lot 8, Floyd Bennet Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas; 1605 North 6th Street. (ZBA2022-0118)
- j) Request of Luis D. Waldo on Behalf of Rene Castellanos (owner) for the following Variance request to the City of McAllen Vegetation Ordinance to allow the required landscaped area to be synthetic grass instead of natural grass at Lot 17, Vineyard Estates Subdivision Phase 1A, Hidalgo County, Texas; 3817 Cosentino Drive. (ZBA2022-0126)

#### 3. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a) 2005 Gavelston Avenue
- b) 3121 Ursula Avenue
- c) 3109 Ursula Avenue
- d) 2728 Norma Avenue
- e) 3025 Ursula Avenue
- f) 301 North 3rd Street
- g) 3001 Teresa Avenue
- h) 4101 Violet Avenue
- i) 3524 Lucille Avenue
- i) 2921 North 40th Street
- **k)** 9002 North 22nd Lane
- I) 4804 South 29th Street
- m) 7809 North Ware Road TBA

#### ADJOURNMENT:

IF ANY ACCOMMODATIONS FOR A DISABILITY ARE REQUIRED, PLEASE NOTIFY THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT (681-1250) 72 HOURS BEFORE THE MEETING DATE. WITH REGARD TO ANY ITEM, THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS AND APPEALS MAY TAKE VARIOUS ACTIONS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO RESCHEDULING AN ITEM IN ITS ENTIRETY FOR PARTICULAR ACTION AT A FUTURE DATE.

#### STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF HIDALGO CITY OF MCALLEN

The McAllen Zoning Board of Adjustment and Appeals convened in a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, December 7, 2022 at 4:30 p.m. in the McAllen City Hall, Commission Chambers with the following present:

Present: Sylvia Hinojosa Chairperson

Jose Gutierrez Vice-Chairperson

Ann Tafel Member
Hugo Avila Member
Rogelio Rodriguez Member
Rebecca Millan Alternate
Sam Saldivar Alternate

Absent: Mark Talbot Alternate

Juan Mujica Alternate

Rodrigo Sanchez Senior Planner Omar Sotelo Senior Planner

Marco Rivera Planner I Samuel Nunez Planner I Samantha Trevino Planner I

Porfirio Hernandez Planning Technician II
Carmen White Administrative Assistant

#### CALL TO ORDER -Chairperson Sylvia Hinojosa

#### 1. MINUTES:

a) Minutes for the special meeting held on November 17, 2022.

The minutes for the special meeting held on November 17, 2022 were approved. The motion to approve the minutes were made by Vice-Chairperson Jose Gutierrez. Mr. Hugo Avila seconded the motion, which carried unanimously with five members present and voting.

#### 2. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

a) Request of Melissa Trevino for the following Special Exception request to the City of McAllen Zoning ordinance to allow: 1) an encroachment of 17.5 feet into the 20 feet front yard setback for an existing metal carport measuring 24 feet by 22 feet, and 2) to allow an encroachment of 6.5 feet into the 10 feet west side yard setback adjacent to a street for an existing metal carport measuring 24 feet by 22 feet, at Lot 18, Block 1, Colonia McAllen Unit No. 7 Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas; 3008 Sonora Avenue. (ZBA2022-0100)

Mr. Rivera stated the applicant was requesting a special exception for an encroachment into the front yard setback and corner side yard setback for an existing metal carport measuring 24 feet by 22 feet. According to the applicant, the construction of the carport was for Zoning Board of Adjustment & Appeals
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protection of their vehicles from inclement weather events.

The subject property was located at the northeast corner of Sonora Avenue and South 31<sup>st</sup> Street. The Lot had 55 feet of frontage along Sonora Avenue and a depth of 110 feet for a lot size of 6,050 square feet. The zoning was R-1 (single-family residential) District. The surrounding land use is single family residential.

Colonia McAllen Unit No. 7 was recorded on April 4, 1977, and the plat specifies a 20 feet front yard setback and 10 feet for properties adjacent to streets. The metal carport was built in March 2020. The applicant stated that they hired a contractor who did not obtain a building permit for the construction of the carport. A stop work order was issued by the Building Permits and Inspections Department on June 7, 2022 for construction without a permit. An application for a building permit was submitted to the Building Permits and Inspections Department on August 26, 2022 and an application for a Special Exception request was submitted to the Planning department on October 21, 2022.

The applicant was requesting a special exception to allow an encroachment of 17.5 feet into the 20 feet front yard setback and 6.5 feet into the 10 feet west side yard setback (adjacent to a street) for an existing metal carport measuring 24 feet by 22 feet over an existing concrete driveway. The applicant owns three vehicles that are protected by the existing metal carport. There was an existing one-car garage that is part of the residence that is being used for storage of household items. The customer states the size of the garage is too narrow to fit the family vehicles. Relocation of the carport to the rear of the property would not be feasible since a utility pole may prevent access from the alley.

During the site visit, staff noticed two other structures on the property that appear to be encroaching into the setbacks. The applicant has acknowledged the feasibility of compliance for the two structures. This Special Exception request is to resolve the carport encroachment.

During the site visit, staff noticed other similar structures in the area that appear to encroach into the front yard setbacks. A review of Planning Department records revealed two Special Exceptions granted between 2020 and 2022 (Lots 23 & 25, Block 5) for Colonia McAllen Unit No. 7 Subdivision. At the Zoning Board of Adjustments and Appeal meeting of September 2, 2020, the Board approved an encroachment of 16.5 feet into the 20 feet front yard setback for an existing carport measuring 18 feet by 38 feet at Lot 23, Block 5, Colonia McAllen Unit No. 7 Subdivision, and at the meeting of October 5, 2022, the Board approved an encroachment of 11 feet into the 20 feet front yard setback for an existing porch measuring 18 feet by 12 feet, at Lot 25, Block 5, Colonia McAllen Unit No. 7.

Special exceptions are issued to an individual and recorded, however a change of ownership requires the new property owner to apply for a Special Exception request.

The Planning Department had not received any emails or calls in opposition to the Special Exception request.

Staff recommended approval of the Special Exception request, since in the past there have been

Ms. Melissa Trevino, the applicant stated they built the carport over the existing driveway to protect their vehicles. At the same time, the carport was used to transport her elderly

mother to her medical appointments during inclement weather.

Board member Rodriguez asked the applicant it the vehicles would be over the curb cut. Ms. Trevino stated they avoid going over the gutter at the curb cut.

Chairperson Sylvia Hinojosa asked if there was anyone present in favor of the special exception. There was no one else in favor of the special exception.

Chairperson Sylvia Hinojosa asked if there was anyone present in opposition of the special exception. There was no one in opposition of the special exception.

Following discussion, Ann Tafel **moved** to approve the special exception per staff's recommendation. Vice-Chairperson Jose Gutierrez seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to approve the special exception with five members present and voting.

b) Request of Juan Carlos Vasquez for the following Special Exception request to the City of McAllen Zoning Ordinance to allow an encroachment of 18 feet into the 25 feet front yard setback for an existing metal carport measuring 14 feet by 18 feet, at Lot 188, Plantation Gap Subdivision Phase 2, Hidalgo County, Texas; 4509 Pelican Avenue. (ZBA2022-0101)

Mr. Rivera stated the applicant was requesting a special exception for an encroachment into the front yard setback for an existing metal carport with canvas cover having dimensions of 14 feet x 18 feet. The applicant states a contractor was hired to construct the carport but did not get the required building permits. The carport is to provide protection for the family vehicles from inclement weather events.

The subject property is located along the south side of Pelican Avenue, 100 feet west of North 45<sup>th</sup> Street. The lot has 50 feet of frontage along Pelican Avenue and a depth of 107.42 feet for a lot size of 5,371 square feet. The property is zoned R-1 (single-family residential) District and a single-family residence is located on the property. Adjacent zoning is R-1 District in all directions except to the south there is A-O (agricultural and open space) District. Surrounding land uses are single family.

Plantation Gap Subdivision Phase 2 was recorded on October 25, 2006. The front yard setback is 25 feet as per plat. A Stop Work order was posted by Building Permits and Inspections Department on April 28, 2022. An application for a building permit was submitted to Building Permits and Inspections Department on August 23, 2022 and an application for a Special Exception request was submitted to the Planning Department on October 21, 2022.

The request is for a special exception to allow an encroachment of 18 feet into the 25 feet front yard setback for an existing metal carport measuring 14 feet by 18 feet and constructed over an existing concrete driveway. The property has no alley in the back of the property. The submitted site plan shows that the existing carport is not encroaching into a five feet utility easement located adjacent to the front property line.

There is an existing two-car garage currently having dual use as an exercise room for the family members due to health related reasons and a parking space for one of the family cars.

During the site visit, a windshield survey of the area revealed other similar structures with

encroachments in the front yard. A review of Planning Department records revealed two other Special Exception requests approved (Lots 130 & 176) by the Zoning Board of Adjustments and Appeal for carports in the front yard of the property between 2018 and 2022. At the Zoning Board of Adjustments and Appeal meeting of October 17, 2018, the Board approved an encroachment of 15 feet into the 25 feet front yard setback for a proposed metal carport measuring 18 feet by 20 feet at Lot 130, Plantation Gap Subdivision Phase 2, and at the meeting of June 15, 2022, the Board approved an encroachment of 19 feet into the 25 feet front yard setback for an existing metal carport measuring 18 feet by 19 feet, at Lot 176, Plantation Gap Subdivision Phase 2.

There have been no calls or emails received in opposition of the Special Exception request.

Measurements provided are without the benefit of a survey.

Special exceptions are issued to a property owner and recorded, however a change of ownership requires the new owner to apply for their own Special Exception.

Staff recommends approval of the Special Exception request, since in the past, there have been other Special Exception request granted in this subdivision and relocation to the rear yard is not feasible since there is no alley for access to the rear of the property.

Chairperson Sylvia Hinojosa asked if there was anyone present in favor of the special exception. There was no one else in favor of the special exception.

Chairperson Sylvia Hinojosa asked if there was anyone present in opposition of the special exception. There was no one in opposition of the special exception.

After no discussion, Mr. Hugo Avila <u>moved</u> to approve the special exception. Ms. Ann Tafel seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to approve the special exception with five members present and voting.

c) Request of Quincy McGill for the following Variances and Special Exception request to the City of McAllen Zoning Ordinance to allow: 1) an accessory use without a primary use for a storage building with a carport structure measuring 30 feet by 12 feet, 2) to allow an encroachment of 4 feet into the 10 feet rear yard setback for an existing wooden storage building measuring 20 feet by 12 feet and, 3) a Special Exception to allow an encroachment of 4 feet into the 10 feet rear yard setback for an existing wooden carport measuring 10 feet by 12 feet, at Lot 16, Hibiscus Hill Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas; 3200 Northgate Lane. (ZBA2022-0096)

Vice-Chairperson Jose Gutierrez <u>moved</u> to remove the item from the table. Mr. Rogelio Rodriguez seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to remove the item from the table with five members present and voting.

As per the applicant's request, they withdrew variance request #2 and special exception #3.

Mr. Rivera stated the applicant was requesting variances to allow an accessory use without a primary use for a storage building with a carport structure measuring 30 feet by 12 feet in order for the structure to remain on a lot that does not have a primary use, and to allow an encroachment of 4 feet into the 10 feet rear yard setback for the same structure. The

applicant built the wooden storage building in order to store household items. A portion of the structure consists of a carport measuring 10 feet by 12 feet for which a Special Exception was being requested. The wooden carport was built in order to protect one of his vehicles from inclement weather events. The applicant was not aware that building permits were required for the construction.

The subject property was located along north side of Northgate Lane and had a Lot area of 10,331 square feet. The property was zoned R-1 (single-family residential) District. The adjacent zoning was R-1 (single-family residential) District in all directions. The surrounding land use is single-family residential.

Hibiscus Hill Subdivision was recorded on December 22, 2015. On June 8, 2022, the Building and Inspections Department issued a stop work order for construction without a building permit for a wooden storage building with a carport. An application for a building permit was submitted on June 10, 2022, and an application for a variance request was submitted on October 10, 2022.

**Variance request #1:** This request was for an existing wooden storage building with a carport structure measuring 30 feet by 12 feet to remain without a primary building on the 10,331 square feet subject property. The structure was constructed in 2022. The applicant owns the adjacent lot (Lot 17) which contains a single-family residence (the primary use). The properties are under the same ownership and enclosed with a cedar fence around the two lots in essence being used as one property. A replat consisting of both properties could be undertaken to resolve the separate uses.

Variance request #2: This request was for an existing wood storage building measuring 20 feet by 12 feet that encroaches 4 feet into the 10 feet rear yard setback. There is an existing 50 feet gas line easement that traverses of the property. According to the applicant, the gas line easement hinders relocation to other areas of the property on Lot 16. The property has a 10 feet utility easement running concurrently with the rear yard setback of the property and the structure also encroached into the utility easement. The applicant received a "letter of no objection" from the gas line company in order to allow the structure to remain within the easement. Relocating the structure out of the rear setback and 10 feet utility easement would increase proximity to the existing gas line.

**Special Exception #3:** This request was for an existing wooden carport measuring 10 feet by 12 feet that encroaches 4 feet into the 10 feet rear yard setback. The property has a 10 feet utility easement that runs concurrently with the rear yard setback of the property. The carport also encroaches into the utility easement. A 50 feet gas line easement traverses the property hindering relocation of the structure. The applicant received a "letter of no objection" from the gas line company in order to allow the structure to remain within the gas easement. Relocating the structure out of the rear setback and 10 feet utility easement would increase the proximity to the existing line. Carport parking area and related driveways shall be paved.

A request to abandon the 10 feet utility easement at the rear of the property needs to be undertaken in order to resolve the building encroachment into the utility easement.

Approval of the request allowing the structures within the rear yard of the property may encourage future structures in the rear of the property to be constructed.

There is also an existing swimming pool towards the front of the property that was approved

During a site visit, staff noticed other rear and side yard encroachments along Northgate Lane. A review of Planning Department records did not reveal any variance or special exceptions granted in the area.

The Planning Department has not received any emails or phone calls in opposition of the variance and special exception requests.

#### Staff recommends:

**Variance #1:** Staff recommends **approval** of the variance request to allow the secondary structures to remain on the lot, since an existing cedar fence surrounding the two Lots encloses the property. In essence, both lots are as one tract.

**Variance #2 & Special Exception #3:** Staff recommends **disapproval** of the variance request and special exception, since the structures encroach 4 feet into the 10 feet rear yard setback and utility easement. However, if the Board approves the request it should be limited to the encroachment shown in the submitted site plan.

At the Zoning Board of Adjustment and Appeals meeting of November 17, 2022 no one appeared in opposition of the Variance and Special Exception requests. The Board voted to table the requests in order to allow the applicant time to consider options to reduce or modify the encroachments. There were five members present and voting.

Following discussion, Ms. Ann Tafel <u>moved</u> to approve the variance request. Mr. Hugo Avila seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to approve the variance request with five members present and voting.

d) Request of Luis Villarreal, Jr. and Cynthia Villarreal for a special exception to the City of McAllen Zoning Ordinance to allow an encroachment of 15 feet into the 20 feet front yard setback for an existing metal carport measuring 18 feet by 18 feet on Lot 152, Del Sol Phase II Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas; 4411 North 26th Lane. (ZBA2022-0106)

Mr. Nunez stated the applicant is requesting a special exception in order to allow the abovementioned encroachment for an existing metal carport measuring 18 feet by 18 feet. The existing metal carport was constructed in order to protect his vehicles from possible hail damage. The applicant has stated that he owns five vehicles, two of which he stores in his garage and three which are exposed to the weather.

The subject property is located along the west side of North 26<sup>th</sup> Lane, between Shasta Quamasia Avenues. The property has 50 feet of frontage along North 26<sup>th</sup> Lane and a depth of 96 feet, for a lot size of 4,800 square feet. The surrounding land use is single-family residential.

According to Hidalgo County Appraisal District records, the existing home was built in 2004. The applicants became the property owners in September of 2012. The Building Permits and Inspections Department issued a non-compliance notice on August 8, 2022 for a front yard carport built without a permit. The applicant has stated the carport was built on June 9, 2022. At the time, the applicant was not aware that the hired contractor had not obtained a building permit for the construction of the existing carport. A building

permit application was submitted on August 10, 2022. This special exception request was submitted on November 1, 2022.

According to the submitted survey and subdivision plat, a 5-foot utility easement runs concurrently with the 20 feet front yard setback and is adjacent to the front property line. The existing metal carport was built to the front property line, encroaching into both the required front yard setback and utility easement. The applicant has provided a signed letter stating that he will cut back his carport by 5 feet in length in order to clear the encroachment over the 5 feet utility easement.

Since the property has no alleyway, the applicant cannot relocate the existing metal carport to the rear yard and out of the front yard setback. The existing garage is used to store two out of the five vehicles owned by the applicant.

During the site visit, staff noticed five other similar front yard encroachments in the subdivision. However, no approved building permits, variances, or special exceptions were found for these. There have been other variances granted in this subdivision, although not for carports.

Special exceptions are issued and recorded for the present owner only. New owners would need to apply for a new special exception request.

Staff had not received any phone calls, emails, or letters in opposition to the special exception request.

Staff recommended approval of the special exception request since there are other similar encroachments in the area and the applicant proposes to reduce the encroachment by cutting his carport back 5 feet in order to resolve the encroachment over the front yard utility easement.

Chairperson Hinojosa asked staff if it was an issue when the utilities are in the front when there was a concrete driveway. Mr. Nunez stated according to the engineering department they were informed that they were able to pour concrete over these easements and could be cut into without any other structures to damage. The City did not allow any buildings over easements.

Chairperson Sylvia Hinojosa asked if there was anyone present in favor of the special exception. There was no one else in favor of the special exception.

Chairperson Sylvia Hinojosa asked if there was anyone present in opposition of the special exception. There was no one in opposition of the special exception.

Following discussion, Vice-Chairperson Jose Gutierrez <u>moved</u> to approve the special exception per staff's recommendation. Mr. Hugo Avila seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to special exception with five members present and voting.

e) Request of Yesenia Ramirez for a special exception to the City of McAllen Zoning Ordinance to allow an encroachment of 24 feet into the 25 feet front yard setback for an existing carport with a canvas roof measuring 24 feet by 21 feet on Lot 20, Cielo Vista Subdivision Phase I, Hidalgo County, Texas; 3105 Tanya Avenue. (ZBA2022-0116)

Mr. Nunez stated the applicant was requesting a special exception in order to allow the above-mentioned encroachment for an existing carport measuring 24 feet by 21 feet. The existing carport was constructed in order to protect her vehicles and provide shade for the family. According to the applicant, she was unaware that the contractor hired to build the existing carport had not obtained a building permit.

The subject property was located along the south side of Tanya Avenue, between South 32<sup>nd</sup> and South 30<sup>th</sup> Streets. The property has 52 feet of frontage along Tanya Avenue and a depth of 103 feet, for a lot size of 5,356 square feet. The surrounding land use is single-family residential.

According to Hidalgo County Appraisal District records, the existing home was built in 2007. The applicant became the property owner in November of 2012. The Building Permits and Inspections Department issued a non-compliance notice on August 30, 2022 for a front yard carport built without a permit. A building permit application had not been submitted. This special exception request was submitted on November 15, 2022.

Approval of this request will allow an encroachment of 24 feet into the 25 feet front yard setback for the existing carport with a canvas roof. According to the subdivision plat, there are no utility easements on the front or side yards that are impacted by this construction. There is no alley on the rear yard of the property. Since the property had no alleyway, the applicant cannot relocate the existing carport to the rear yard and out of the front yard setback. The home has a built in two-car garage that currently accommodates one of the applicant's vehicles, and was also used for general storage of personal belongings.

During a site visit, staff noticed similar front yard encroachments in the subdivision. According to the applicant, her carport was one of several carports with canvas roofs built in the subdivision by the same contractor. A review of Planning Department records did not reveal any approved building permits, variances, or special exceptions for these existing carports. Non-compliance notices have been issued by the Building Permits and Inspections Department to the adjacent property owner, as well as to other property owners along Teresa Avenue for carports built without a permit.

At the time of writing, three special exception applications had been submitted for front yard encroachment for carports built without a permit at Lots 72, 75, and 78 of this subdivision. These cases are currently scheduled to be heard at the Zoning Board of Adjustments and Appeals meeting of January 4, 2023.

Special exceptions are issued and recorded for the present owner only. New owners would need to apply for a new special exception request.

Staff had not received any phone calls, emails, or letters in opposition to the special exception request.

Staff recommended approval of the special exception request since there are similar carport encroachments in the subdivision and the applicant cannot relocate the existing carport to the rear or side yards and out of the front yard setback.

After discussion between Board members regarding the character of the carports, Austin Stevenson, Legal stated there had to be the character of the neighborhood but there was no precedence set. Carports that already existed in the neighborhood that were not approved one can pursue enforcement and would change the character of the neighborhood and this Board had the ability to do it which would be not to consider

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Ms. Yesenia Ramirez, the applicant stated they did not have a Homeowners Association. She stated she was not aware she needed a building permit only because there were other carports in the neighborhood. She had the carport built due to her daughter's medical condition and inclement weather. Ms. Ramirez stated that she could only fit one vehicle due to the fact she had a boiler on one side and her washer/dryer on the other side.

Board member Millan mentioned to the applicant that if she shared the information told by the Board back to the neighborhood that each case is different.

Board member Rodriguez asked staff if this was on a complaint. Mr. Nunez stated it was based on a non-compliance notice from the Building Department on routine inspections as well as several neighbors. Some of the neighbors have moved forward to either acquiring a building permit or undergoing this special exception request process.

Chairperson Sylvia Hinojosa asked if there was anyone present in favor of the special exception. There was no one else in favor of the special exception.

Chairperson Sylvia Hinojosa asked if there was anyone present in opposition of the special exception. There was no one in opposition of the special exception.

Following discussion, Mr. Hugo Avila **moved** to approve special exception. Ms. Ann Tafel seconded the motion. The Board voted to approve the special exception per staff's recommendation with three members voting aye and two voting nay, Rogelio Rodriguez and Vice-Chairperson Jose Gutierrez.

f) Request of Arturo Castillo for a special exception and a variance to the City of McAllen Zoning Ordinance to allow: 1) a special exception for an encroachment of 12.5 feet into the 28 feet front yard setback and 1 foot into the 5 feet side yard setback for an existing metal carport measuring 16.42 feet by 30 feet, and 2) a variance for an encroachment of 5 feet into the 5 feet side yard setback for an existing metal porch measuring 14.5 feet by 18 feet on Lot 7, Block 27, North McAllen Addition, Hidalgo County, Texas; 420 North 16th Street. (ZBA2022-0105)

Mr. Nunez stated the applicant was appealing to allow the above-mentioned existing encroachments for a metal carport and metal porch. The applicant has stated that the carport is for protection of his vehicles from hazardous weather events and there is no other space available on the Lot for its placement. The applicant has also stated that there is a family member who lives in their home with health conditions that are helped by the shade provided by the existing porch and carport.

The subject property was located at the southeast corner of North 16<sup>th</sup> Street and Ebony Avenue. The property had 50 feet of frontage along North 16<sup>th</sup> Street and a depth of 140 feet for a total lot size of 7,000 square feet. The property was zoned R-2 (duplex-fourplex residential) District. The adjacent zoning was R-2 District to the north, west, and south and R-1 (single family residential) District to the East. The surrounding land use is single-family residential and apartment uses.

According to Hidalgo County Appraisal District records (HCAD), the existing home was built in 1975, with additions made later between the years of 1975 and 1990. The HCAD

records listed these improvements as "enclosed additions", "storage", "canopy", and a "covered porch". The applicant became the owner of the property in September of 2014. A non-compliance notice was issued by the Building Permits and Inspections Department for a carport built without a permit on September 20, 2022. A building permit application for the carport and an existing porch was submitted on October 21, 2022. The special exception and variance request application was submitted on October 31, 2022.

The existing metal carport and metal porch are located on the side yard of the property, which faces Ebony Avenue. The subdivision plat for North McAllen Addition does not show any utility easements on this property. The home does not have a built-in garage. A residential building at the rear of the property appears to be used as an apartment use. There is an alley located along the rear yard property line.

Regarding the required front yard setback for the property, as per Section 138-367 (a) of the Zoning Ordinance, "when 50 percent or more of the frontage on one side of a street on any one block is improved with buildings that have a front yard which is greater than the required front yard in the district, no new building shall project beyond the average front yard so established...". The average front yard setback for this property is 28 feet.

The application review process by the Building Department revealed multiple structures in the property that were built without a permit. According to notes by the Building Department, the property owners purchased the property with the existing metal carport, porch, and other existing structures already in place. (This request is to resolve only an existing carport that encroaches into the front and side yard setbacks and an existing porch that encroaches into the side yard setback.)

According to the applicant, the existing metal carport is used to store and protect four of their vehicles, while the existing metal porch is used to provide shade during family outdoor activities. Given that there are multiple structures in the property, the applicant appears to have no other place in the Lot where he could relocate the existing carport out of the required setbacks.

During the site visit, staff noticed similar encroachments, namely carports, located on the front yard along the block. However, only one variance was found for one of the constructions noticed. At the Zoning Board of Adjustments meeting of September 2, 2015, a variance request was granted to Lot 4 of Block 24 for encroachments of 10 feet into the 10 feet rear yard setback and 5 feet into the 7 feet south side yard setback for an existing carport measuring 22 feet by 22 feet. No other approved variances or special exceptions for carports were found in the area.

At the Zoning Board of Adjustments and Appeals meeting of August 17, 2022, a proposed irregularly-shaped wooden carport proposed to encroach 3 feet into the 5 feet side yard setback at Lot 9, Block 10 was disapproved. A similar request was disapproved for an encroachment of 7 feet into the 7 feet south side yard setback on November 2, 2022 for an existing wooden carport at Lot 4, Block 25. At both of these meetings, the Board was concerned with structures being built close, or at the zero side yard property line, due to safety concerns.

Special exceptions are issued and recorded for the present owner only. New owners would need to apply for a new special exception request. Storage or placement of items other than motor vehicles was prohibited in a carport for which a special exception has been granted.

All measurements were taken without the benefit of a survey.

Staff did not receive any phone calls, email, or letters in opposition to this request.

Staff recommended approval of the special exception request since there has been one request approved for a carport within the subdivision and the construction will not negatively impact the existing character of the subdivision. Additionally, there is no other space available in the Lot where the applicant can relocate the existing carport out of the setbacks.

Staff recommended disapproval of the variance request since in the past similar requests have been disapproved for constructions built to the property line. In addition, the front of this structure was slanted toward the street and can potentially cause an accumulation of rainfall in the adjacent sidewalk.

Mr. Irma Castillo, the applicant's wife stated she had the carport for the protection of their vehicles in which she plans to keep. The smaller existing metal porch was to be removed because it needed repairs. She wanted to remodel it to be in compliance if approved. Ms. Castillo stated the structures already existed when she bought the house.

Following discussion, Ms. Ann Tafel **moved** to approve the special exception per staff's recommendation. Vice-Chairperson Jose Gutierrez seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to approve the special exception with five members present and voting.

Following discussion, Ms. Ann Tafel <u>moved</u> to disapprove the variance request per staff's recommendation. Vice-Chairperson Jose Gutierrez seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to approve the special exception with five members present and voting.

g) Request of Carlos Mariscal for a special exception to the City of McAllen Zoning Ordinance to allow an encroachment of 5 feet into the 5 feet west side yard setback for an existing metal carport measuring 17 feet by 30 feet at Lot 9, Block 4, West addition to McAllen Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas; 521 South 22nd Street. (ZBA2022-0103)

Ms. Trevino stated the applicant was requesting a special exception in order to allow an encroachment of 5 feet into the 5 feet west side yard setback for an existing metal carport measuring 17 feet by 30 feet. The applicant was not aware that a permit was required for the construction of the carport. The applicant stated the existing metal carport was to protect his aunt's vehicles from weather element events.

The subject property was located at the northeast corner of South 22<sup>nd</sup> Street and Fresno Avenue. The property had 50 feet of frontage along Fresno Avenue and a depth of 150 feet, for a lot size of 7,500 square feet. There was an existing single-family residence on the subject property. The surrounding land use was Single Family Residential.

The plat for West Addition to McAllen was recorded on March 9, 1929. A Stop Work order was issued back on August 4, 2022. A building permit application for the carport was submitted on August 26, 2022. An application for the special exception request was submitted on October 28, 2022.

The request was to allow an encroachment of 5 feet in to the 5 feet west side yard setback on order to allow an existing metal carport measuring 17 feet by 30 feet to remain. The carport was constructed over an existing driveway along South 22<sup>nd</sup> Street.

The applicant stated locating the carport at the front of the property would be difficult to maneuver in and out of the driveway due to a Stop sign at the intersection of South 22<sup>nd</sup> Street and Fresno Avenue.

The applicant states that locating the carport to the rear of the property may not be feasible since there are utility service meters that may hinder access from the alley.

The applicant states also that driveway entrance along South 22<sup>nd</sup> Street is the more logical location for the carport since it allows for a more safe access to the property.

During the site visit, staff noticed two other similar encroachments in the area along Fresno Avenue and 21st Street.

A review of Planning Department records did not reveal any variances or special exceptions granted for carports in the area.

Special exceptions are issued and recorded for the present applicant/owner only. New owners would need to apply for a new special exception request.

Measurements provided were without the benefit of a survey.

Staff had not received any phone calls, emails, or letters in opposition to the special exception request.

Staff recommended approval of the special exception request since relocation would create possible conflict with other required setbacks.

Chairperson Sylvia Hinojosa asked if there was anyone present in favor of the special exception. There was no one else in favor of the special exception.

Chairperson Sylvia Hinojosa asked if there was anyone present in opposition of the special exception. There was no one in opposition of the special exception.

Following discussion, Ms. Ann Tafel **moved** to approve the special exception. Mr. Hugo Avila seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to approve the special exception with five members present and voting.

h) Request of Maria De La Rosa for a variance to the City of McAllen Zoning Ordinance to allow an encroachment of 2 feet into the 7 feet South side yard setback for an addition measuring 38 feet by 15 feet at Lot 3, Block 3, Colonia McAllen Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas; 2709 South 27th Street. (ZBA2022-0104)

Ms. Trevino stated the applicant was requesting to allow the above-mentioned encroachment for a proposed bedroom addition measuring 38 feet by 15 feet. The bedroom addition is to be located at the rear of the subject property and was proposed to encroach two feet into the 7 feet south side yard setback.

The subject property was located south of Jordan Avenue along South 27<sup>th</sup> Street. The property has 50 feet of frontage along South 27<sup>th</sup> Street and a depth of 122.5 feet, for a lot size of 6,125 square feet. The surrounding land use was single-family residential.

Colonia McAllen Subdivision was recorded on July 11, 1960. According to Hidalgo County Appraisal District records, the existing residence was built in 2012. The original building permit listed setbacks of 5 feet on the north side yard and 7 feet on the south side yard of the property. The site plan showed the home proposed to be built with setbacks of 5 feet on the south side yard and 7 feet on the north side yard. Review by the Planning Department of single-family residential applications for building permits was not standard practice at the time. A building permit application was submitted February 4, 2022 for the proposed new addition. The variance request application was submitted on October 28, 2022.

The proposed encroachment for the construction would allow the proposed addition to be squared up with the existing residential structure. Approval of the variance request would allow an encroachment of 2 feet in to the 7 feet side yard setback for a proposed bedroom addition as shown in the submitted site plan.

During a site visit, staff noticed other encroachments in the area at Lots 4,6,8,9, Encroachments appear to be mainly in the rear and side yard setbacks.

A review of the Planning Department records did not reveal any Permits, Variances or Special Exceptions granted in the area.

Measurements provided were without the benefit of a survey.

Staff had not received any phone calls, emails, or letters in opposition to this request.

Staff recommended disapproval of the variance request since the construction is proposed and the site plan can be modified to be in compliance with required setbacks.

Following discussion, Mr. Hugo Avila **moved** to approve the variance request as shown on the submitted site plan. Ms. Ann Tafel seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to approve the variance request with five members present and voting.

#### 4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- a) 3404 Providence Avenue
- **b)** 3801 Zinnia Avenue
- c) 6101 North 8<sup>th</sup> Street
- d) 2801 Ursula Avenue
- e) 3609 Queta Avenue
- f) 2005 Galveston Avenue
- g) 2813 Fullerton Avenue
- h) 615 North 36<sup>th</sup> Street
- i) 3201 Eagle Avenue
- j) 1605 North 6<sup>th</sup> Street

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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Chairperson Sylvia Hinojosa

Carmen White, Administrative Assistant

#### Memo

**TO:** Zoning Board of Adjustment & Appeals

**FROM:** Planning Staff

**DATE:** December 13, 2022

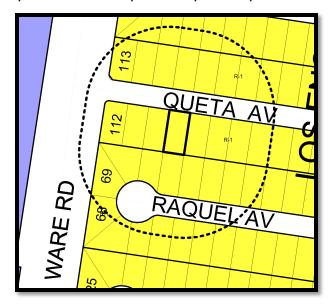
SUBJECT: REQUEST OF STEVE BARAJAS ON BEHALF OF MARCOS GRANADOS

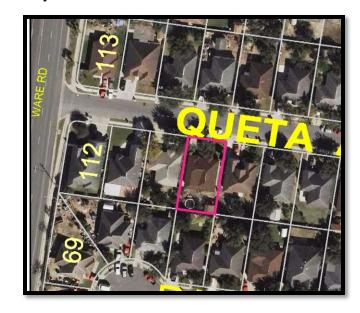
(PROPERTY OWNER) FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL EXCEPTION REQUEST TO THE CITY OF MCALLEN ZONING ORDINANCE TO ALLOW: 1) AN ENCROACHMENT OF 20 FEET INTO THE 20 FEET FRONT YARD SETBACK FOR AN EXISTING METAL CARPORT MEASURING 21 FEET BY 21.66 FEET, AND 2) TO ALLOW AN ENCROACHMENT OF 3.5 FEET INTO THE 6 FEET WEST SIDE YARD SETBACK FOR AN EXISTING METAL CARPORT MEASURING 21 FEET BY 21.66 FEET AT LOT 109, LOS ENCINOS SUBDIVISION, HIDALGO COUNTY,

**TEXAS; 3609 QUETA AVENUE. (ZBA2022-0111)** 

#### **REASON FOR APPEAL:**

The applicant is requesting a special exception for an encroachment into the front and west side yard setback for an existing metal carport with canvas cover having dimensions of 21 feet x 21.66 feet. The applicant states a contractor was hired to construct the carport but did not get the required building permits. The carport is to provide protection for the family vehicles from inclement weather events.





#### PROPERTY LOCATION AND VICINITY:

The subject property is located along the south side of Queta Avenue, 145 feet east of South Ware Road. The lot has 50 feet of frontage along Queta Avenue and a depth of 102.50 feet for a lot size of 5,125 square feet. The property is zoned R-1 (single-family residential) District and a single family residence is located on the property. Adjacent zoning is R-1 District in all directions. The surrounding land use is single family residential.

#### **BACKGROUND AND HISTORY:**

Los Encinos Subdivision was recorded on July 05, 1994. The required front yard setback as per plat is 20 feet. The required side yard setbacks are 6 feet as per plat. A Stop Work order was posted by Building Permits and Inspections Department on August 31, 2022 for doing work without a building permit. An application for a building permit was submitted to Building Permits and Inspections Department on September 23, 2022 and an application for a Special Exception request was submitted to the Planning Department on November 10, 2022.

#### **ANALYSIS:**

The request is for a special exception to allow an encroachment of 20 feet into the 20 feet front yard setback and to allow an encroachment of 3.5 feet into the 6 feet west side yard setback for an existing metal carport measuring 21 feet by 21.66 feet and constructed over an existing concrete driveway. The property has no alley in the back of the property. The subdivision plat does not show any utility easements along the front or the side of the property.

There is an existing one-car garage currently being used for storage space. The applicant states the existing car garage is too small to fit the family vehicles.

During the site visit, staff noticed other similar structures with encroachments in the front yard. A review of Planning Department records revealed two Special Exception requests approved (Lots 143 & 175) by the Zoning Board of Adjustments and Appeal for carports in the front yard of the property. At the Zoning Board of Adjustments and Appeal meeting of January 17, 2019, the Board approved an encroachment of 20 feet into the 20 feet front yard setback for an existing canvas carport measuring 20 feet by 20 feet at Lot 175, Los Encinos Subdivision. At the meeting of September 18, 2019, the Board approved an encroachment of 20 feet into the 20 feet front yard setback for a carport measuring 10.66 feet by 19.83 feet, at Lot 143, Los Encinos Subdivision. Both properties are located along Paula Avenue (one street to the north).

There have been no calls or emails received in opposition of the Special Exception request.

Measurements provided are without the benefit of a survey.

Special exceptions are issued to a property owner and recorded, however a change of ownership requires the new owner to apply for their own Special Exception.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of the Special Exception request, since in the past there have been other Special Exception requests granted in this subdivision, and relocation to the rear yard is not feasible since there is no alley for access to the rear of the property.

### City of McAllen

## Planning Department APPEAL TO ZONING BOARD OF

311 North 15th Street McAllen, TX 78501 P. O. Box 220 McAllen, TX 78505-0220 (956) 681-1250 (956) 681-1279 (fax)

	ADJUSTMENT TO MCALLEN ZONING ORDINANCE
, i	Legal Description Lot. 109 Los Encinos Subdivision
Project	Subdivision Name  Street Address  Number of lots  Reason for Appeal (please use other side if necessary)  The 20ft front yard set back, and 32" into the side action (carport \$300.00 non-refundable filing fee + \$50.00 Recording Fee for Special Exception (carport Durrent Survey and Metes and Bounds (if the legal description of the tract is a portion of a lot) is required
Applicant	Name Steve Bargias Phone 950.688.7355  Address 4817 Kiwi Aue. E-mail stevebris@gmail.com  City MAllen State X Zip 78
Owner	Name Marco Granados Phone (956) 789 - 4103  Address 3609 Queta Aue. E-mail  City Mallen State X zip 78503
Authorization	To the best of your knowledge are there any deed restrictions, restrictive covenants, etc. which would prevent the utilization of the property in the manner indicated?  Yes No I certify that I am the actual owner of the property described above and this application is being submitted with my consent (include corporate name if applicable) OR I am authorized by the actual owner to submit this application and have attached written evidence of such authorization.  Signature  Marcos Granados  Vowner  Authorized Agent
	Accepted by Payment received by Date  Rev 10/18  Payment received by Detail Nov 10 2022  BY:
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\*A variance will not be granted to relieve a self-created or personal hardship, nor shall it be based solely on

Chairman, Board of Adjustment Date Signature Rev. 9/20	Reason for Appeal	according gain or loss. In order to make a finding of hardship and grant the variance, the Zoning Board of Adjustment will consider any combination of the following: (Please use an additional page if necessary to complete responses)  "Information provided here by the applicant does not guarantee that the Board will grant a variance." "Applicant should include all information they determine is relevant, but it is not required to provide responses to all sections listed below.  1. Describe the special circumstance or condition affecting the land involved such that the strict application of the provisions required would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of the land:  The curport was built to help protect our vehicles from the sun, had, and shade for when we are outside.  2. Describe how the variance is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of the legal property rights of the owner:  This variance will help us aveatly in having protection for our suchicles from the sun or hail damage.  3. Describe how the variance will not be detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare or injurious to the legal rights other property owners enjoy in the area:  This variance will not affect any of our neighbors in any way.  4. Describe special conditions that are unique to this applicant or property:  1
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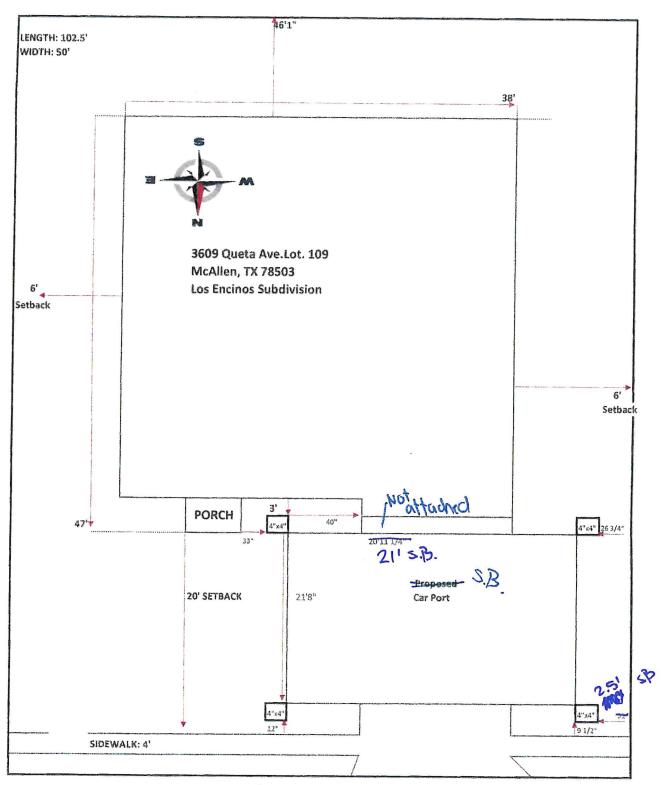
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#### Memo

**TO:** Zoning Board of Adjustment & Appeals

**FROM:** Planning Staff

**DATE:** December 13, 2022

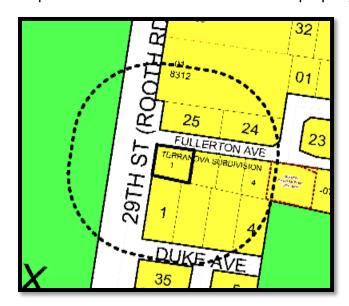
SUBJECT: REQUEST OF JESUS TREVINO, JR. FOR THE FOLLOWING VARIANCE

REQUEST TO THE CITY OF MCALLEN ZONING ORDINANCE TO ALLOW AN ENCROACHMENT OF 5 FEET INTO THE 10 FEET REAR YARD SETBACK FOR AN EXISTING PORCH CANOPY MEASURING 9 FEET BY 32 FEET, AT LOT 1, TERRANOVA SUBDIVISION, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS: 2813 FULLERTON

**AVENUE. (ZBA2022-0114)** 

#### **REASON FOR APPEAL:**

The applicant is requesting a variance for an encroachment into the rear yard setback for an existing porch canopy. According to the applicant, a contractor was hired to construct the porch canopy but did not get the required building permits. The porch canopy is for protection from the weather elements and to provide shade for the residents of the property.





#### PROPERTY LOCATION AND VICINITY:

The subject property is located at the southeast corner of North 29<sup>th</sup> Street and Fullerton Avenue. The Lot has 88 feet of frontage along Fullerton Avenue and a depth of approximately 75.77 feet at its deepest point for a Lot size of 6,756 square feet. The property is zoned R-1 (single-family residential) District and a single-family residence is located on the property. The surrounding land use is single-family residential.

#### **BACKGROUND AND HISTORY:**

Terranova Subdivision was recorded on July 29, 2015. The rear yard setback is 10 feet as per Zoning Ordinance. There is a 5 feet Hidalgo County Irrigation District easement running concurrently at the rear of the property. A stop work order was issued by the Building Permits and Inspections Department on November 08, 2022 for construction without a permit. An application for a building permit was submitted

to Building Permits and Inspections Department on November 09, 2022, and a Variance request was submitted to the Planning Department on November 15, 2022.

#### **ANALYSIS:**

The request is to allow an encroachment of 5 feet into the 10 feet rear yard setback of the property for an existing wooden porch canopy. The structure was built encroaching 10 feet into the rear setback and an existing five feet irrigation that runs concurrently at the rear of the property.

The applicant is proposing to reduce the structural encroachment by two feet in order to resolve the easement encroachment.

During the site visit, staff noticed a storage building that appears to be encroaching into the rear yard setback. The applicant has acknowledged the feasibility of compliance. The applicant has decided to resolve only the porch canopy at this moment.

A windshield survey of the area revealed other rear yard encroachments. A review of Planning Department records revealed one Variance granted in the area. At the Board of Adjustment and Appeals meeting of May 01, 2019, the Board approved an encroachment of 35 feet into the 45 feet front yard setback for a proposed swimming pool measuring 15 feet by 30 feet at Lot 25, Santa Cruz Subdivision.

A cedar fence is provided along the rear of the property, which helps to screen off the addition from the properties to the South.

A remaining 25 feet irrigation easement adjacent to the properties to the south provides additional distance to the residences for the South providing additional buffering.

Measurements provided are without the benefit of a survey.

The Planning Department has not received any emails or calls in opposition to the Variance request.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends **approval** of the variance request, since the encroachment into the utility easement will be resolved, and the irrigation easement provides additional distance buffering to single family residences to the south.

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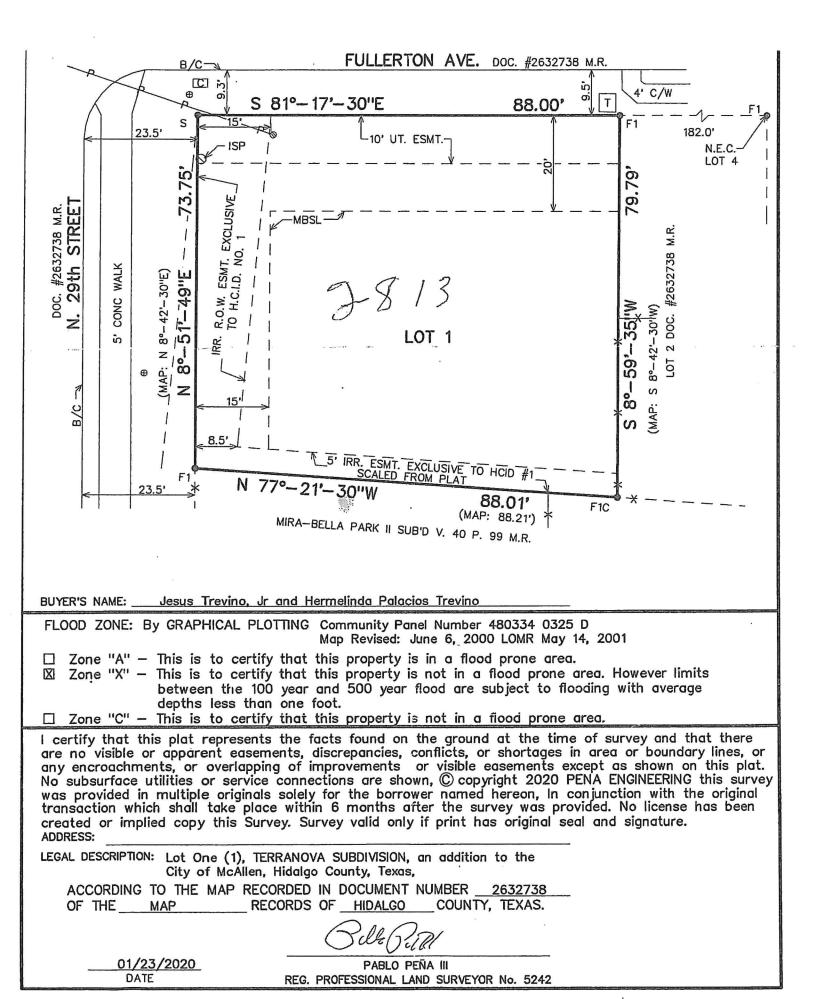
311 North 15th Street

	APPEAL TO ZONING BOARD OF (956) 681-1279 (1ax)  ADJUSTMENT TO MCALLEN ZONING ORDINANCE
	Legal Description Lot One (1) Terra Nova Subdivision
ect	Subdivision Name Terranova Subdivision Name 2813 Fuller fon Ave MCAller Tx 7850  Number of lots Gross acres
Project	Existing Zoning  Existing Land Use  Reason for Appeal (please use other side if necessary)    List very hot in the back   Shade to Cool the back
Applicant	Name <u>Jesus Trevino Jr</u> Phone <u>954-292-9646</u> Address <u>2813 Fuller fon Ave</u> E-mail  City <u>MCHIEN</u> State <u>TX</u> zip <u>78504</u>
Owner	Name Jesus and Hermelinda TrevinBhone 956-292-9646  Address <u>2813 Fullerton Ale</u> E-mail melitreviño e hotmad. co  City <u>MCAllen</u> State <u>TX</u> zip <u>78504</u>
Authorization	To the best of your knowledge are there any deed restrictions, restrictive covenants, etc. which would prevent the utilization of the property in the manner indicated?  Yes  I No I certify that I am the actual owner of the property described above and this application is being submitted with my consent (include corporate name if applicable) OR I am authorized by the actual owner to submit this application and have attached written evidence of such authorization.  Signature  Date  I 1 15 2 2  Print Name  Print Name  Owner  Authorized Agent
Office	Accepted by Payment received by Date  Rev 10/18



## Planning Department REASON FOR APPEAL & BOARD ACTION

2. Describe how the variance is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of the legal property rights of the owner:  The shaded patio would make it less hat more comfortable to be in the back  3. Describe how the variance will not be detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare or injurious to the legal rights other property owners enjoy in the area:  This patio or covered area will not affect the safety of other property owners.  4. Describe special conditions that are unique to this applicant or property:  We are older citizens and would like to enjoy sitting in the back area if it were more comfortable.
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#### **Planning Department**

#### Memo

**TO:** Zoning Board of Adjustment & Appeals

**FROM:** Planning Staff

**DATE:** December 12, 2022

SUBJECT: REQUEST OF RENE TAPIA FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL EXCEPTION

REQUEST TO THE CITY OF MCALLEN ZONING ORDINANCE TO ALLOW AN ENCROACHMENT OF 15 FEET INTO THE 20 FEET FRONT YARD SETBACK FOR AN EXISTING CANVAS CARPORT MEASURING 12 FEET BY 14 FEET, AT LOT 5, BROOKWOOD UNIT 2 SUBDIVISION, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS; 3801 ZINNIA

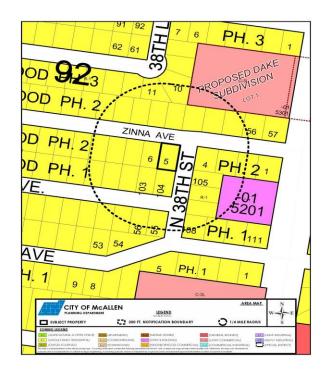
**AVENUE. (ZBA2022-0108)** 

#### **REASON FOR APPEAL:**

The applicant is requesting a special exception in order to allow an encroachment of 15 feet into the front yard setback of 20 feet for an existing canvas carport measuring 14 feet by 12 feet. The applicant stated the proposed carport is to protect his two vehicles from the weather elements, as they do not have a garage. The contractor that built the carport was unaware that a permit was needed.

#### PROPERTY LOCATION AND VICINITY:

The subject property is located at the southwest corner of Zinnia Avenue and North 38<sup>th</sup> Lane. The property has 55.50 feet of frontage along Zinnia Avenue and a depth of 88 feet, for a lot size of 4,884 square feet. There is an existing single-family residence on the subject property. The surrounding land use is single-family residential.





#### **BACKGROUND AND HISTORY:**

The plat for Brookwood Unit 2 was recorded in November 24, 1998. The plat states a 20 feet front yard setback. An application for a building permit for the carport was submitted on August 31, 2022. An application for the special exception request was submitted on November 7, 2022.

#### **ANALYSIS:**

Approval of the special exception request would allow an encroachment of 15 feet into the 20 feet front yard setback as shown in the applicant's submitted site plan. The reason for this request is to allow the applicant to provide protection for his vehicles.

There is a 5 feet utility easement adjacent to the front property line that will not be impacted by the carport construction.

During the site visit, staff noticed two other (carports) similar encroachments in the Subdivision at lots 14 and 47.

At the Zoning Board of Adjustment and Appeal meeting of October 5, 2022 the Board approved a special exception request at Lot 14, Brookwood Unit II Subdivision to allow an encroachment of 15 feet into the 20 feet front yard setback for an existing metal carport measuring 20 feet by 20 feet.

At Lot 47, Brookwood Unit II Subdivision an application for a Special Exception request was submitted but later was withdrawn by the applicant with the understanding that the carport be removed from the property.

Measurements provided are without the benefit of a survey.

Special exceptions are issued and recorded for the present applicant/owner only. New owners would need to apply for a new special exception request.

Staff has not received any phone calls, emails, or letters in opposition to the special exception request.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the special exception request since there is no alley to relocate the carport out of the setbacks and a similar request was approved in October 2022 in this subdivision. Approval should be limited to the encroachment shown on the submitted site plan.

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### Planning Department APPEAL TO ZONING BOARD OF

311 North 15th Street McAllen, TX 78501 P. O. Box 220 McAllen, TX 78505-0220 (956) 681-1250 (956) 681-1279 (fax)

1.37	ADJUSTMENT TO MCALLEN ZONING ORDINANCE
	Legal Description Brokwood Statot 5
Project	Subdivision Name  Street Address    Street Address   Stre
Applicant	Name RENC HAPUT Phone (956) 5333433  Address 3801 24 MA Are E-mail Scharfross burdens  City PC. Algo State C Zip 78504 @que
Owner	Name RENE HARLA THANKS Phone (9595333433) Address 386 ZUNNIN AUS E-mail City Fle Allan State + Zip N35011
Authorization	To the best of your knowledge are there any deed restrictions, restrictive covenants, etc. which would prevent the utilization of the property in the manner indicated?  Yes No I certify that I am the actual owner of the property described above and this application is being submitted with my consent (include corporate name if applicable)  OR I am authorized by the actual owner to submit this application and have attached written evidence of such authorization.  Signature Date Authorized Agent
Office	Accepted by Payment received by Date NUV 0 7 2022  Rev 10/18  BY:

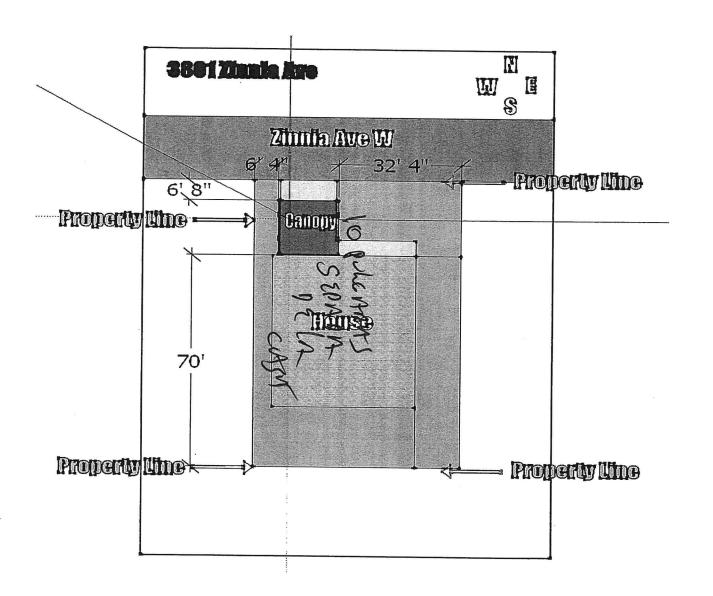
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\*A variance will not be granted to relieve a self-created or personal hardship, nor shall it be based solely on economic gain or loss. In order to make a finding of hardship and grant the variance, the Zoning Board of Adjustment will consider any combination of the following: (Please use an additional page if necessary to complete \*\*Information provided here by the applicant does not guarantee that the Board will grant a variance. \*\*\*Applicant should include all information they determine is relevant, but it is not required to provide responses to all sections listed below. Describe the special circumstance or condition affecting the land involved such that the strict application of the provisions required would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of the land: Describe how the variance is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of the legal property rights of the owner: Describe how the variance will not be detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare or injurious to the legal rights other property owners enjoy in the area: onditions that are unique to this applicant or property: Chairman, Board of Adjustment Date Signature

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#### Memo

**TO:** Zoning Board of Adjustment & Appeals

FROM: Planning Staff

DATE: December 12, 2022

SUBJECT: REQUEST OF JESUS C. MUNIZ FOR A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO THE CITY OF

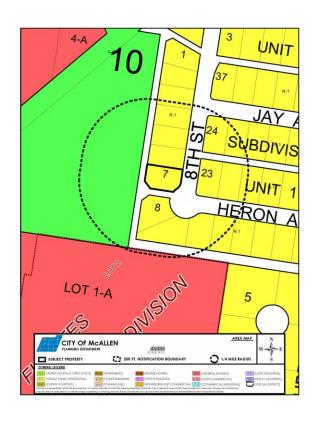
MCALLEN ZONING ORDINANCE TO ALLOW: 1) AN ENCROACHMENT OF 10 FEET INTO THE 10 FEET REAR YARD SETBACK FOR AN EXISTING CANVAS ROOF CARPORT MEASURING 19.5 FEET BY 17 FEET, 2) A VARIANCE FOR AN ENCROACHMENT OF 6 FEET INTO THE 6 FEET SOUTH SIDE YARD SETBACK FOR AN EXISTING PORCH CANOPY MEASURING 9.5 FEET BY 14 FEET, 3) A VARIANCE FOR AN ENCROACHMENT OF 6 FEET INTO THE 6 FEET SOUTH SIDE YARD SETBACK FOR AN EXISTING PORCH COVER MEASURING 22 FEET BY 14 FEET, AT LOT 7, SHADY OAKS UNIT 1 SUBDIVISION, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS; 6101

**NORTH 8<sup>TH</sup> STREET. (ZBA2022-0109)** 

#### **REASON FOR APPEAL:**

This is a special exception request for an existing carport located at the rear of the subject property for protection of the family vehicles from inclement weather events. The applicant would like an area for his parent's vehicles to be protected from inclement weather events. The applicant also seeks approval of two variance requests (porch canopy and a porch cover) that consist of encroachments into the south side yard setbacks. The porches are for protection of his elderly parents who cannot be outdoors in direct sunlight and heat due to medical conditions.





#### PROPERTY LOCATION AND VICINITY:

The subject property is located at the intersection of North 8<sup>th</sup> Street and Heron Avenue. According to the subdivision plat, the lot has approximately 41 feet of frontage along North 8<sup>th</sup> Street and a depth of 110 feet for a lot size of approximately 4,510 square feet. The property is zoned R-1 (single family residential) District. The surrounding land uses are single-family residences.

#### **BACKGROUND AND HISTORY:**

According to Hidalgo County Appraisal District records, the main residence was built in 1996. The applicant purchased the property December 18, 2008 from a previous owner.

A stop work order was issued by the Building Permits and Inspections Department on September 20, 2022 for a porch, patio and carport built without a permit. An application for a building permit was submitted on September 21, 2022 for all three structures. The special exception and variance requests were submitted November 8, 2022.

#### ANALYSIS:

Special exception request #1 is for an existing canvas roof carport. The carport is located in the rear yard with access to an alleyway. If a special exception is granted for this request, the carport will be allowed to encroach 10 feet into the 10 feet rear yard setback. The structure appears to encroach into the alley right-of-way at the point of a corner clip. There is also an existing two-car garage that can be used to park the family vehicles.

Variance request #2 is for an existing wooden porch canopy. The porch canopy is located on the south side yard. If a variance is granted for this request, the porch will be approved for an encroachment of 6 feet into the 6 feet south side yard setback. The canopy is used by the applicant's parents so that they are able to comfortably sit outside out of the sun.

Variance request #3 is for an existing wooden with a metal roof porch cover. The porch cover is located on the south side yard setback connected to the porch canopy. If a variance is granted for this request, the porch cover will be approved for an encroachment of 6 feet into the 6 feet south side yard setback. The porch is also used as protection from the sun for the applicant's parents.

During a site visit, staff noticed a carport that appeared to be encroaching into the rear yard setback on the adjacent property to the north.

A review of Planning Department records did not reveal any approved variance requests or special exceptions, in this subdivision for carports or porches.

Staff has received one phone call in opposition to the above mentioned requests. The resident stated that they did not like the way the structures looked and believed it posed a safety threat. Also, the resident stated that they thing everyone should have to go through the permit process the right way.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends disapproval of the special exception and variance requests since approval may encourage other property owners to build similar structures, as variances go with the land and approval would allow for future construction on the subject property. However, the Board may take into consideration the financial cost of compliance for variance requests #2 & #3 that may cause

unnecessary hardship to the applicant.

If the Board grants approval of the requests, it should be limited to the footprint shown on the submitted site plan.

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#### City of McAllen

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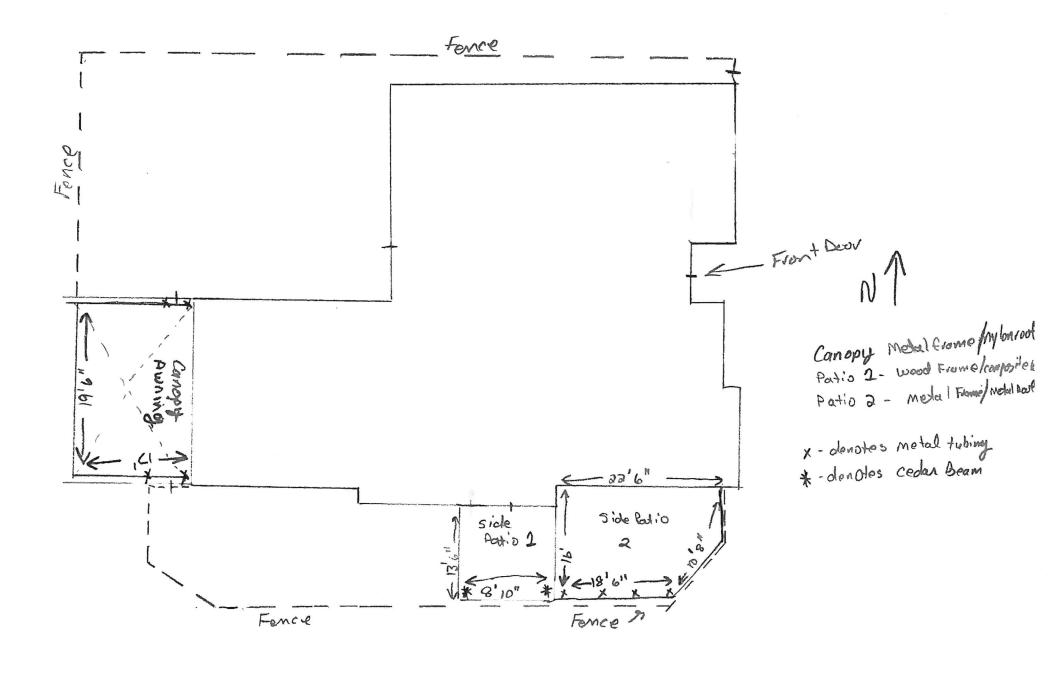
ADJUSTMENT TO MCALLEN ZONING ORDINANCE

ţ	Legal Description SHADY OAKS UT 1 LOT 7
	Subdivision Name  Shady Oaks  Street Address  6101 N. 8th St, McAllen, TX 78504
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Project	Number of lots _1 Gross acres _0.1723  Existing ZoningSingle Family Residential Existing Land UseSingle Family Residential Dwelling
<u>G</u>	Reason for Appeal (please use other side if necessary)  10 foot variance requested for the use of 2 covered patios (Patio 1: 9.5 x 14 feet and Patio 2: 22 x 14 feet) structures built on the setback of the property. Also, exception requested for the 20 x 18 foot carport.
	□ \$300.00 non-refundable filing fee + □ \$50.00 Recording Fee for Special Exception (carport)      □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □
	☑ Current Survey and Metes and Bounds (if the legal description of the tract is a portion of a lot) is required
ant	Name Jesus C. Muniz Phone (956) 227-1799
Applicant	Address PO Box 3912 E-mail jesse@amtexapci.com
Apr	City McAllen State Texas Zip 78502
7.0	NamePhone <sup>(956) 227-1799</sup>
Owner	AddressE-mailjesse@amtexapci.com
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_	To the best of your knowledge are there any deed restrictions, restrictive covenants, etc. which would prevent the utilization of the property in the manner indicated?
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zation	I certify that I am the actual owner of the property described above and this application is being submitted with my consent (include corporate name if applicable)
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Author	attached written evidence of such authorization.
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Reason for Appeal	"A variance will not be granted to relieve a self-created or personal hardship, nor shall it be based solely on economic gain or loss. In order to make a finding of hardship and grant the variance, the Zoning Board of Adjustment will consider any combination of the following: (Please use an additional page if necessary to complete responses) "Information provided here by the applicant does not guarantee that the Board will grant a variance. "Applicant should include all information they determine is relevant, but it is not required to provide responses to all sections listed below.  1. Describe the special circumstance or condition affecting the land involved such that the strict application of the provisions required would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of the land:  If variance is not granted, the structures would have to be demolished. This would adversely affect the use of the area because there would not be protection from the sun, heat and rain.  2. Describe how the variance is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of the legal property rights of the owner:  The variance is necessary because the structures are vital in the protection of the area from the sun, heat and rain. Without the protection from the structures, the area would not be utilized, it is vital to the owner's health to have a safe outdoor area that can be enloved all year.  3. Describe how the variance will not be detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare or injurious to the legal rights other property owners enjoy in the area:  The structures are contained solely to the property and do not adversely affect the neighboring properties or the neighborhood.  4. Describe special conditions that are unique to this applicant or property:  The owner's are elderly and have many health conditions that do not allow them to be outdoors in direct sunlight and heat.
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#### **Planning Department**

#### Memo

**TO:** Zoning Board of Adjustment & Appeals

**FROM:** Planning Staff

**DATE:** December 13, 2022

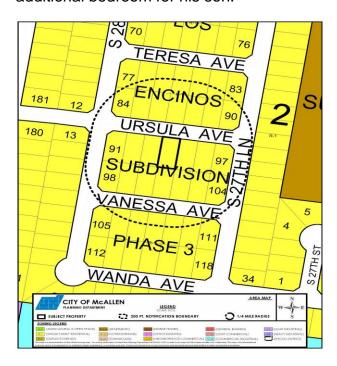
SUBJECT: REQUEST OF DAVID PEREZ FOR A VARIANCE TO THE CITY OF MCALLEN

OFF-STREET PARKING AND LOADING ORDINANCE TO NOT PROVIDE ONE REQUIRED PARKING SPACE BEYOND THE FRONT YARD SETBACK LINE AT LOT 94, LOS ENCINO III SUBDIVISION, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS; 2801

**URSULA AVENUE. (ZBA2022-0110)** 

#### **REASON FOR APPEAL:**

The applicant is requesting a special exception to the parking requirement of one off-street parking space beyond the front yard setback (as required by section 138-394(1) of the zoning ordinance. The applicant has enclosed an existing car garage that has eliminated the one parking space beyond the front yard setback like. The garage was enclosed in order to make an additional bedroom for his son.





#### PROPERTY LOCATION AND VICINITY:

The subject property is located on the south side of Ursula Avenue, between South 27<sup>th</sup> Lane and South 28<sup>th</sup> Lane. The property has 50 feet of frontage along Ursula Avenue with a depth of 105 feet for a lot size of 5,250 square feet. The property is zoned R-1 (single family residential) District. The surrounding land use is single family residential.

#### **BACKGROUND AND HISTORY:**

Los Encinos III Subdivision was recorded December 4, 2006. The Board of Commissioners amended the Zoning Ordinance in 1999 to require 1 parking space beyond the front yard setback in order to enhance the appearance of single family residential areas. The subject property (and subdivision) is subject to compliance with the zoning requirements of 1 parking space beyond the front yard setback line.

According to Hidalgo County Appraisal District, the house was built in 2009, and the garage was recently enclosed by the owners (a building permit application was not found for this enclosure). The applicant received a non-compliance notice from the Building Permits and Inspections Department on August 29th of this year for the enclosed garage. The application for the special exception was submitted on November 10, 2022.

#### ANALYSIS:

The request is to not provide a required parking space beyond the front yard setback line. According to the site plan submitted, the enclosed garage area (now a bedroom for his son) measures 14 feet 8 inches by 14 feet 8 inches. Moreover, the front driveway measures approximately 16 feet by 24 feet, which would accommodate two required parking spaces.

The intent for the requirement of locating one parking space beyond the front yard setback line is to improve the street yard appearance of single-family residential areas by reducing the number of cars parked along the street and within the front yard.

A windshield survey of the neighborhood indicates there were other properties that also have enclosed garages.

A review of Planning Department records revealed one other special exception for enclosed garages that was approved in this subdivision. A review of the Planning Department records revealed 2 other issued building permits for enclosed garages at Lots 26 and 97. One was approved by the Planning Department and one was not routed to the Planning Department for review.

At the Zoning Board and Adjustments and Appeals meeting of January 6, 2020 the Board approved a variance request to not provide one required parking space beyond the front yard setback at Lot 88, Los Encinos III Subdivision.

The subject property complies with the zoning ordinance requirements of two parking spaces per dwelling unit.

In exercising its authority, the Board may consider the financial cost of compliance if the cost is greater than 50% of the appraised value of the structure

Staff has not received any phone calls or emails in opposition to the special exception request.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of the variance request since there are other "approved" garage enclosures in the subdivision.

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Initial: NM

	ADJUSTMENT TO MCALLEN ZONING ORDINANCE
Project	Legal Description Los Encinos III Lot 94
	Subdivision Name  Los Encinos TIL  Street Address  2801 Ursula que McAllen TX
	Number of lots Gross acres  Existing Zoning Existing Land Use  Reason for Appeal (please use other side if necessary) Parking area has been reduced due to garage space being description (carport)  \$300.00 non-refundable filing fee + \$50.00 Recording Fee for Special Exception (carport)  Current Survey and Metes and Bounds (if the legal description of the tract is a portion of a lot) is required
Applicant	Name David Perez Phone 956-648-8706  Address 2801 Ursula que E-mail grandavidg @gmail Co  City Millen State TX Zip 78503
Owner	Name David Parez Phone 956-648-6706  Address 2801 Ursula ave E-mail grandavid 30 gmail Co
Authorization	To the best of your knowledge are there any deed restrictions, restrictive covenants, etc. which would prevent the utilization of the property in the manner indicated?  Yes  No I certify that I am the actual owner of the property described above and this application is being submitted with my consent (include corporate name if applicable) OR I am authorized by the actual owner to submit this application and have attached written evidence of such authorization.  Signature  Print Name  Owner  Authorized Agent
Office	Accepted by Payment received by Date  Rev 10/18  Payment received by Nov 1 0 2022

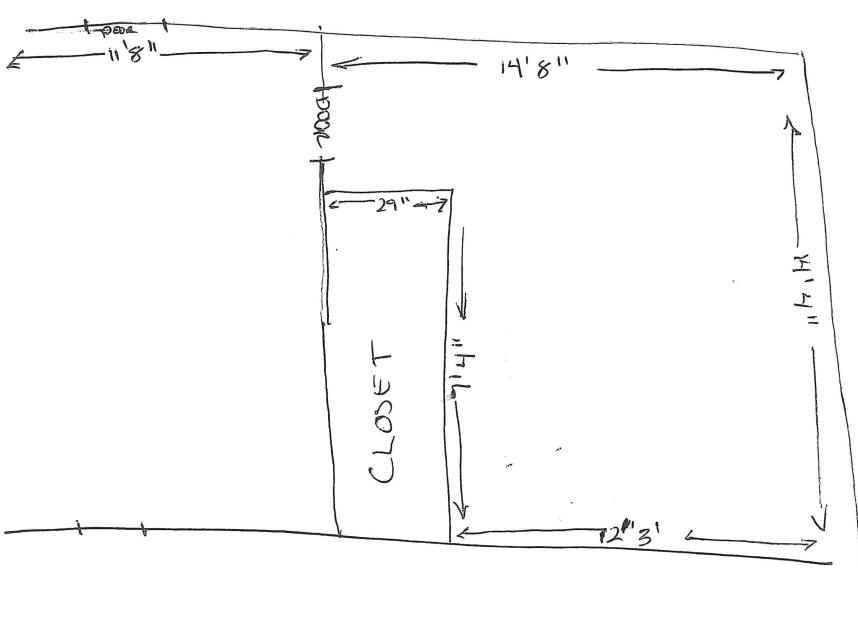
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	needed an extra bedroom for my son as he
=	was growing and needed an extra room.
eason for Appeal	the space of the driveway fits two vehicles.  2. Describe how the variance is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of the legal property rights of the owner:
or A	without this room, my kids would need to
uc Tuc	share a room which would couse space problems
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	everything was done inside the house and met the
	requirements regarding insolation and electricity.
2-	nothing was affected outside the house.  4. Describe special conditions that are unique to this applicant or property:
	as my soon grew and the difference of years
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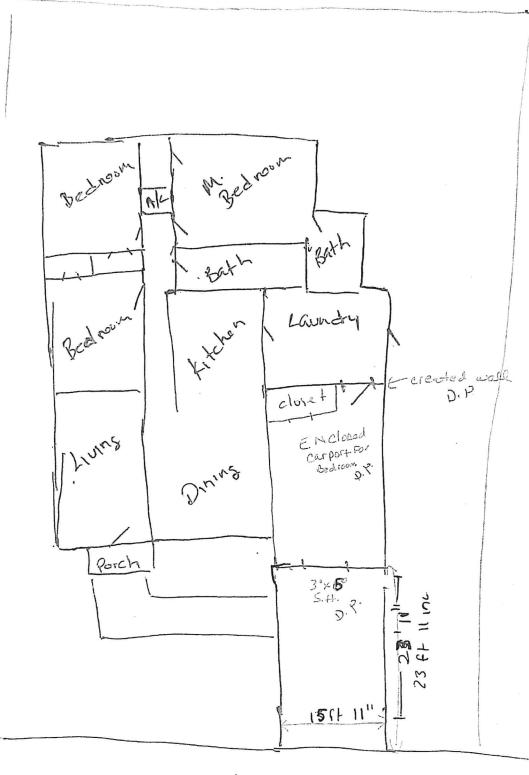


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#### **Planning Department**

#### Memo

**TO:** Zoning Board of Adjustment & Appeals

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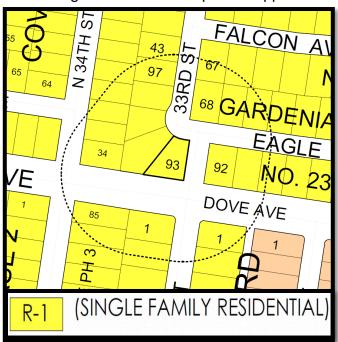
**DATE:** December 2, 2022

SUBJECT: Request of Humberto Karr on Behalf of Jose Garza (owner) for the following

Variance request to the City of McAllen Zoning Ordinance to allow an encroachment of 5 feet into the 20 feet rear yard setback along the south side for a proposed porch that measures 12 feet by 15 feet, at Lot 93, Gardenia Terrace No. 23 Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas; 3201 Eagle Avenue.

(ZBA2022-0117)

**REASON FOR APPEAL:** The applicant is requesting a variance for a proposed porch that would encroach into the rear yard setback at the back of the subject property. The proposed porch would minimize heat from the sunlight, reduce weathering to the back door, and reduce noise level from traffic along Dove Avenue as per the applicant.





**PROPERTY LOCATION AND VICINITY:** The subject property is located on the northwest corner of Dove Avenue and Eagle Avenue. The property has 50 feet of frontage along Eagle Avenue and a depth of 121.4 feet. The zoning for the property and adjacent zoning is R-1 (single-family residential) District in all directions. Surrounding land uses include residential homes.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY: Gardenia Terrace No. 23 Subdivision was recorded in

September 19, 1995. An application for a variance request was submitted on November 16, 2022. An application for a building permit has not been submitted.

**ANALYSIS:** The Variance request is to allow a proposed porch that would measure 12 feet by 15 feet to encroach 5 feet into the 20 feet rear yard setback. The total area of the proposed porch would be 100 square feet.

A cedar fence obscures and buffers the view of the rear yard and would potentially obscure the view of the proposed porch. A 15-foot irrigation easement is located along the rear property that hinders buildable area. As per the submitted site plan, the proposed porch would not be located within the 15-foot irrigation easement.

According to the applicant, the proposed porch would make the home energy efficient and significantly alleviate noise generated from traffic along Dove Avenue.

During a site visit, staff noticed approximately five residences within Gardenia Terrace No. 23 that appeared to have structures encroaching into the rear yard. A review of Planning Department records revealed other approved variances within the subdivision in the past.

Measurements provided were without benefit of a survey.

Staff has not received any phone calls in opposition nor in favor of the variance request.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of the variance request since there are existing encroachments that are characteristic to the area, a 6 feet cedar fence obscures and buffers the rear yard, and the structure is not being proposed to be built within the 15-foot irrigation easement located at the rear of the property. If the Board grants approval of the variance request, it should be limited to the encroachments shown on the submitted site plan.

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	ADJUSTMENT TO MCALLEN ZONING ORDINANCE	
	Legal Description GAYDENIA TERRACE NO. 23 LOT 93	
Project	Subdivision Name  GANDENIA TEIRREE NV. 23  Street Address  Street Address  Street Address  Street Address  Number of lots   Gross acres    Existing Zoning   End   Land Use   House    Reason for Appeal (please use other side if necessary)   Proposed   Parch   Land   Land    Encuration   Encuration   Proposed   Parch   Land   Land    Street Address   Existing Land Use   House    Reason for Appeal (please use other side if necessary)   Proposed   Parch   Land   Land    Encuration   Street   Stree	
Applicant	Name Humberto FARR Phone 5(28448)34  Address 6004 N. 27th St E-malnumberto Karra yahoo.  City State _ TY _ Zip _ 78504	con
Owner	Name Jose garza Phone 950-227-5546  Address 3201 Eagle Avenue E-mail j_g 78504@hotmail.com  City McAllen, State Texas Zip 78504	
Authorization	To the best of your knowledge are there any deed restrictions, restrictive covenants, etc. which would prevent the utilization of the property in the manner indicated?  Yes No I certify that I am the actual owner of the property described above and this application is being submitted with my consent (include corporate name if applicable) OR I am authorized by the actual owner to submit this application and have attached written evidence of such authorization.  Signature   Date ////6 / 12  Print Name // // 12  Owner Authorized Agent	
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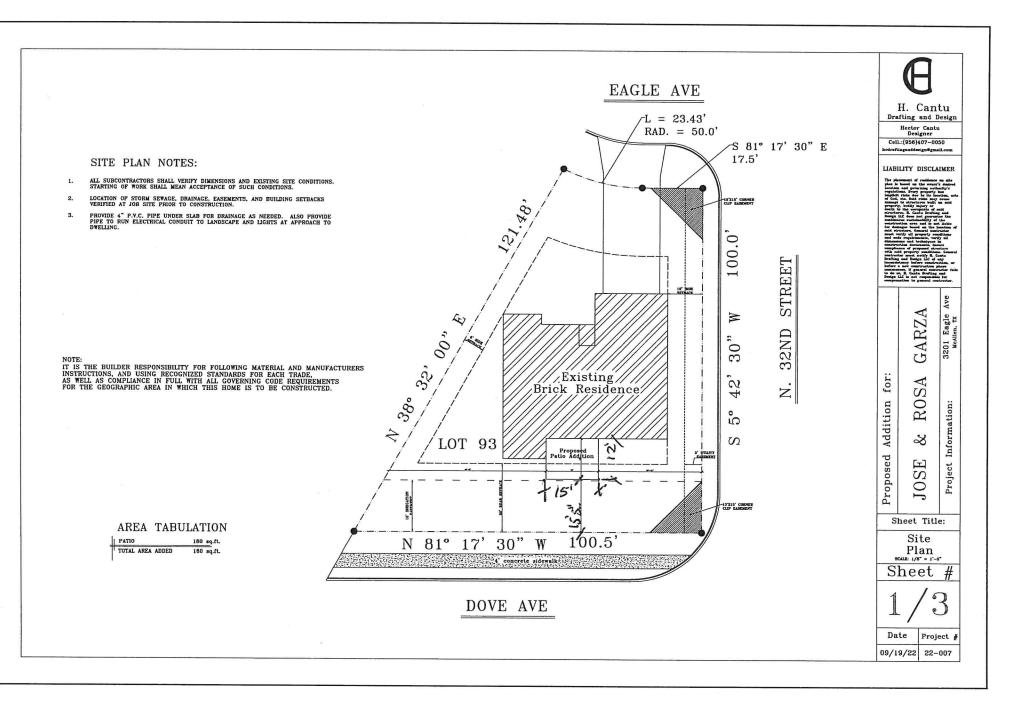


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Reason for Appeal	During the summer morths, this area of the home has the most heat intake. Extending into a prich area will minimize the summer. It is a possible how the variance is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of the legal property rights of the owner:  Building the back porch will help in reducing heat (from summise making it more energy efficient in the long run. This addition will dampe the stund of the how form major traffic adjacent to surfur. It is other property owners enjoy in the area:  This is being built inside our property. This will not affect any one, in the heighborhood.  4. Describe special conditions that are unique to this applicant or property:  Paulding this addition will not only beautify our home, it will add property value, and increase the value in our heighborhood.	)
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### Memo

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**FROM:** Planning Staff

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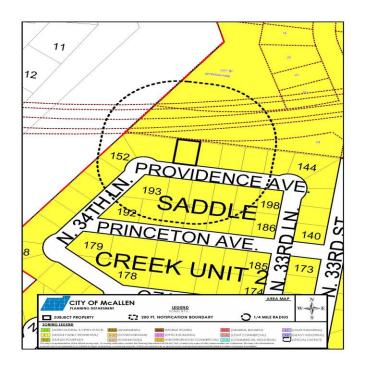
SUBJECT: REQUEST OF MICHAEL PEREZ FOR A SPECIAL EXCEPTION REQUEST TO THE

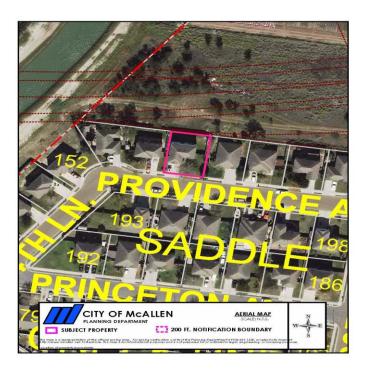
CITY OF MCALLEN ZONING ORDINANCE TO ALLOW AN ENCROACHMENT OF 25 FEET INTO THE 25 FEET FRONT YARD SETBACK FOR AN EXISTING METAL CARPORT MEASURING 19 FEET BY 20 FEET, AT LOT 149, SADDLE CREEK UNIT 2 SUBDIVISION, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS, 3404 PROVIDENCE AVENUE

(ZBA2022-0107)

### **REASON FOR APPEAL:**

The applicant is requesting a special exception in order to allow an encroachment of 25 feet into the front yard setback of 25 feet for an existing metal carport measuring 19 feet by 20 feet. The applicant stated the metal carport is to protect his vehicles from inclement weather events. The owner was unaware that a permit was needed for the construction of the carport.





### PROPERTY LOCATION AND VICINITY:

The subject property is located along the north side of Providence Avenue. The property has 60.5 feet of frontage along Providence Avenue and a depth of 83.21 feet, for a lot size of approximately

5,034 square feet. There is an existing single-family residence on the subject property. The surrounding land use is single-family residential.

### **BACKGROUND AND HISTORY:**

The plat for Saddle Creek Unit 2 was recorded on February 10, 2003. The plat states a 25-feet front yard setback. A stop work order was issued for non compliance by the building department on September 16, 2022. An application for a building permit was submitted September 29, 2022. An application for the special exception request was submitted on November 7, 2022.

### ANALYSIS:

Approval of the special exception request would allow an encroachment of 25 feet into the 25 feet front yard setback for an existing metal carport measuring 19 feet by 20 feet.

Front yard setbacks are important in establishing the character of single-family residential areas by maintaining the street yard and curb appeal of properties in a subdivision.

There is an existing two car garage that is used to park one vehicle leaving the rest of the applicants vehicles in the driveway.

There is no ally at the rear of the property that would allow for relocation of the carport.

A site visit by staff revealed one other carport in the area. A review of Planning Department Records did not show any Special Exceptions granted for carports within Saddle Creek Unit 2 Subdivision.

Special exceptions are issued and recorded for the present applicant/owner only. New owners would need to apply for a new special exception request.

Staff has received one phone call in support of the special exception request.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends disapproval of the special exception request, as it may encourage other property owners to construct similar carport structures.

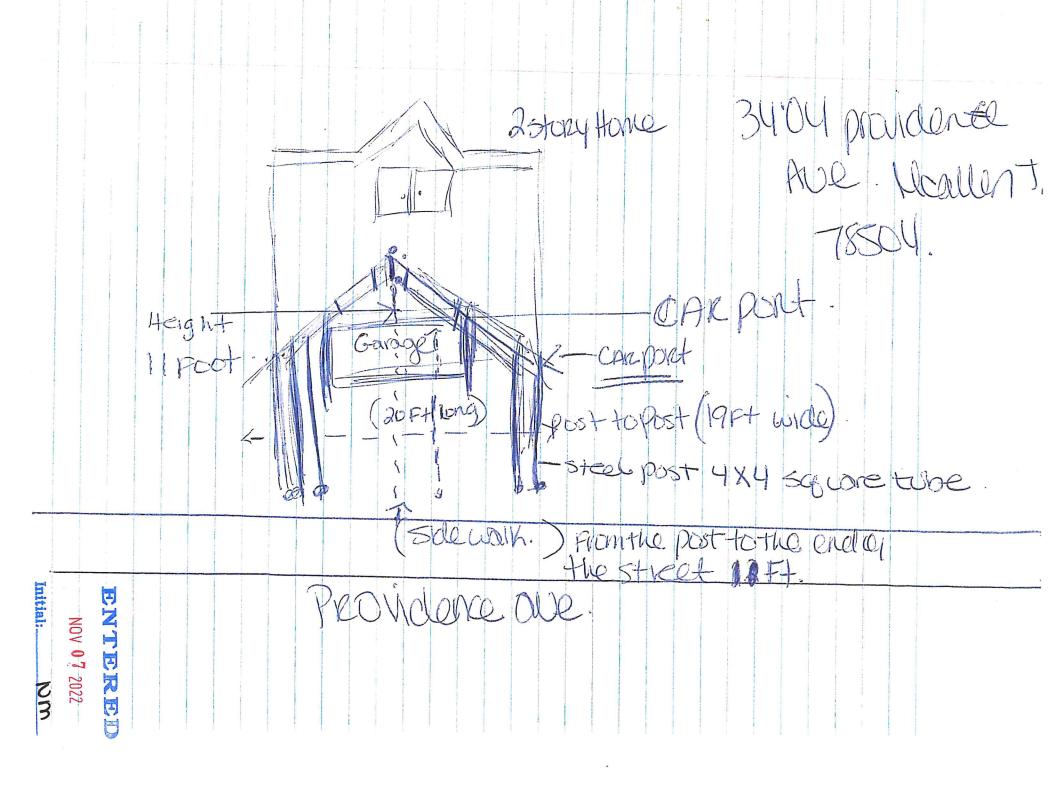
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Initial: NM

ADJUSTMENT TO MCALLEN ZONING ORDINANCE			
	Legal Description Saddle Creek 4+2 LD+ 149		
Project	Subdivision Name  Sqadle Creek  Street Address  Street Address  Number of lots Gross acres  Existing Zoning Existing Land Use Residential  Reason for Appeal (please use other side if necessary)  Existing Carport  encroaching into front yard Set back  \$300.00 non-refundable filing fee + \$\$50.00 Recording Fee for Special Exception (carport)  Current Survey and Metes and Bounds (if the legal description of the tract is a portion of a lot) is required		
Applicant	Name <u>Michael Perez</u> Phone <u>329-4322</u> .  Address <u>3404 providence AUR</u> E-mail <u>2 michi @ Gmail</u> (om City <u>Meallen</u> TX State <u>TX</u> zip <u>78504</u>		
Owner	Name <u>Michael Perez</u> Phone <u>329-4322</u> Address <u>3404 providence ave</u> -mail <u>2micchi 0 6mcul</u> von City <u>Mcaller</u> State <u>T</u> <u>Y</u> zip <u>78504</u>		
Authorization	To the best of your knowledge are there any deed restrictions, restrictive covenants, etc. which would prevent the utilization of the property in the manner indicated?  Yes No I certify that I am the actual owner of the property described above and this application is being submitted with my consent (include corporate name if applicable) OR I am authorized by the actual owner to submit this application and have attached written evidence of such authorization.  Signature Date Downer Date Authorized Agent		
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**FROM:** Planning Staff

**DATE:** December 13, 2022

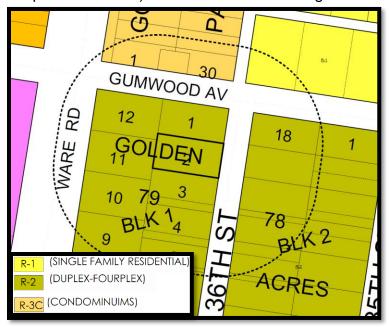
SUBJECT: Request of Johnny Hinojosa for the following Special Exception request to the

City of McAllen Zoning Ordinance to allow: 1) an encroachment of 20 feet into the 20 feet front yard setback for an existing wood and metal roof carport measuring 20 feet by 40 feet and 2) an encroachment of 6 feet into the 6 feet south side yard setback for an existing wood and metal roof carport measuring 20 feet by 40 feet at Lot 2, Block 1, Golden Acres Retirement Subdivision No. 2,

Hidalgo County, Texas; 615 North 36th Street. (ZBA2022-0115)

**REASON FOR APPEAL:** The applicant is requesting a special exception for an encroachment into the front yard setback and side yard setback for an existing carport measuring 20 feet by 40 feet. According to the applicant, the existing carport shelters his vehicles and his son's (deceased) vehicles from inclement weather.

**PROPERTY LOCATION AND VICINITY:** The subject property is located along the south side of Gumwood Avenue, west of 36<sup>th</sup> street. The lot size is 9,585 square feet. The zoning is R-2 (duplex-fourplex residential) District. The surrounding land use is single family residential.





**BACKGROUND AND HISTORY:** Golden Acres Retirement Subdivision No. 2 Subdivision was recorded on June 18, 1968, and the plat specifies a 20 feet front yard setback. The Building Permits

and Inspections Department issued a stop work order in August 2022 for the construction without a permit of the carport. An application for a special exception request was submitted to the Planning Department on November 15, 20225, and an application for a building permit was submitted to the Building Permits and Inspections Department on November 16, 2022.

**ANALYSIS:** The applicant is requesting a Special Exception to the City of McAllen Zoning Ordinance to allow an encroachment of 20 feet into the 20 feet front yard setback for an existing wood and metal roof carport measuring 20 feet by 40 feet and an encroachment of 6 feet into the 6 feet front yard setback for an existing wood and metal roof carport measuring 20 feet by 40 feet. The front yard setback is important in establishing the character of a single-family neighborhood by providing landscaping to enhance the residence and curb appeal of the street view. Approval of the request to allow the existing carport within the front yard may encourage other structures to be constructed in the front yard setback.

The carport was constructed in 2021 as per Hidalgo County Appraisal District. The residence has a one car garage that stores one of the applicant's vehicles.

A windshield survey of the area did reveal approximately four other existing carports within the subdivision. Review of Planning Department records did not reveal any variances or special exceptions granted in Golden Acres Retirement Subdivision No. 2.

The Planning Department has receive four letters in favor to the Special Exception request. The four neighbors do not have any issues with the placement of the existing carport.

Special exceptions are issued to an individual and recorded, however, if new owner purchases the home they will have to apply as new owner.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends disapproval of the Special Exception request since the residence already has a one-car garage. Approval of the request may encourage other property owners to build similar structures. If the Board chooses to approve the request, the approval should be limited to the footprint shown on the submitted site plan.

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APPEAL TO ZONING BOARD OF (956) 681

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Applicant	Name Johnny Hinojosa Phone 956-225-9686  Address 615 N. 364 St. E-mail Johnny Joette MSN. Com  City Mallon State TX Zip 18501
Owner	Name
Authorization	To the best of your knowledge are there any deed restrictions, restrictive covenants, etc. which would prevent the utilization of the property in the manner indicated?  Yes  No I certify that I am the actual owner of the property described above and this application is being submitted with my consent (include corporate name if applicable) OR I am authorized by the actual owner to submit this application and have attached written evidence of such authorization.  Signature  Date  1-15-22  Print Name  Owner  Authorized Agent
Office	Accepted by Payment received by Date Rev 10/18  Payment received by Date Rev 10/18

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# CITY OF MCALLEN

Planning Department

# Variance Request

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT 2 Block 2	
Goldan Acres Subdivision	
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 6/5 N. 3645+	
CASE NUMBER: # 22012029	

## HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

# MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PROPERTY OWNER

TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, THE UNDERSIGNED APPLICANT AGREES TO INDEMNIFY, DEFEND AND SAVE HARMLESS THE CITY OF MCALLEN AND ITS COMMISSIONERS, OFFICERS, AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES FROM AND AGAINST ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, SUITS, ACTIONS, LOSSES, DAMAGES, EXPENSES, COSTS, INJURIES AND LIABILITIES OF ANY NATURE (INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO CLAIMS FOR BODILY INJURY, DEATH, BUSINESS INTERRUPTION AND/OR PROPERTY DAMAGE) RELATING TO, ARISING OUT OF OR RESULTING FROM THE GRANTING AND/OR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE VARIANCE REQUESTED HEREIN.

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Applicant's	Signature 75/7
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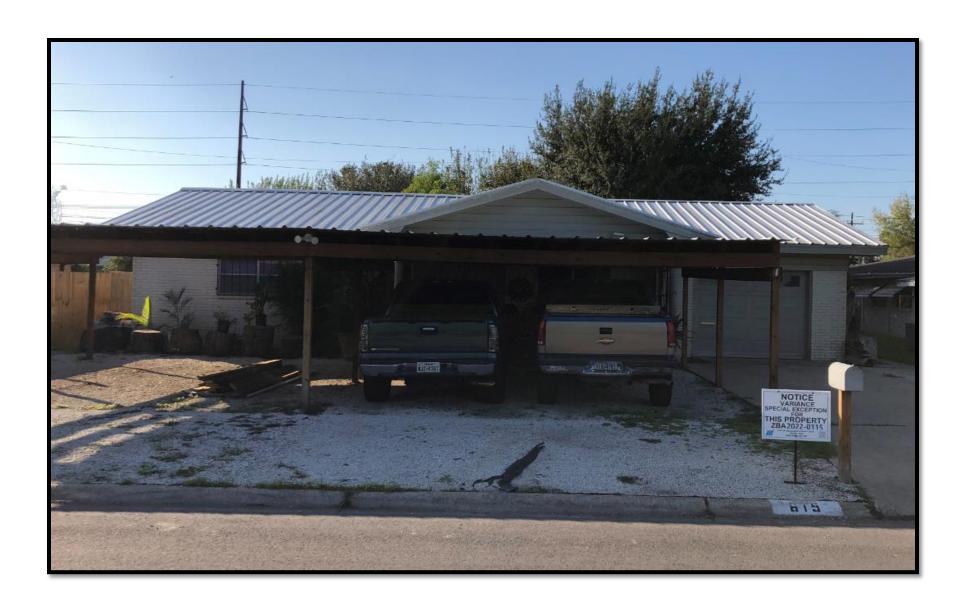












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# **Planning Department**

### Memo

**TO:** Zoning Board of Adjustment & Appeals

**FROM:** Planning Staff

**DATE:** December 12, 2022

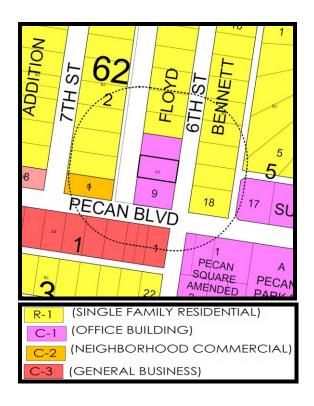
SUBJECT: Request of David Omar Salinas on Behalf of Maria Eugenia Zabaleta (owner) for the

following Variance request to the City of McAllen Off-Street Parking and Loading Ordinance to allow 5 parking spaces instead of the required 10 parking spaces for proposed commercial use at Lot 8, Floyd Bennet Subdivision, Hidalgo County,

Texas; 1605 North 6th Street. (ZBA2022-0118)

**REASON FOR APPEAL:** The applicant requests the following variance to allow five parking spaces instead of the required ten parking spaces. The applicant indicated that he is requesting the above variance to "permit orderly development of existing commercial building".

**PROPERTY LOCATION AND VICINITY:** The property is located on the west side of North 6<sup>th</sup> Street, approximately 100 feet north of Pecan Boulevard. The property has 65 feet of frontage along North 6<sup>th</sup> Street and 113.63 feet of depth for a tract size of 7,385.95 square feet. The property is zoned C-1 (office building) District. The zoning is C-1 District to the north and south, and R-1 (single-family residential) District to the east and west.





**BACKGROUND AND HISTORY:** The recorded plat is Floyd Bennett Subdivision. A variance application for the proposed five parking spaces instead of the required 10 was received on November 16, 2022.

**ANALYSIS:** The variance request is to allow five parking spaces instead of the required 10 parking spaces. The proposed facility will consist of two-floors with the total square footage being 2,522. Based on the square footage of the floor area, 10 parking spaces are required. Section 138-395 requires four parking spaces for up to 400 square feet of floor area plus one parking space for each additional 400 square feet of floor area.

The submitted site plan reveals ten parking spaces; however, the five parking spaces located at the rear of the property are located in the 50-foot canal right-of way, which is under Hidalgo County Irrigation District #3 ownership. The irrigation district will permit parking spaces to be located within the canal right-of-way; however, will not provide a letter indicating consent of the use of the canal right-of-way.

Planning Department has received one phone call in opposition to the request as the citizen expressed concern that the reduction in parking spaces will cause customers to park in their driveways or block alleys.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends disapproval of the variance request since the Hidalgo County Irrigation District will not provide a letter to use the canal right-of-way, and approval of the variance request may encourage others to not comply with the parking and maneuvering requirement.

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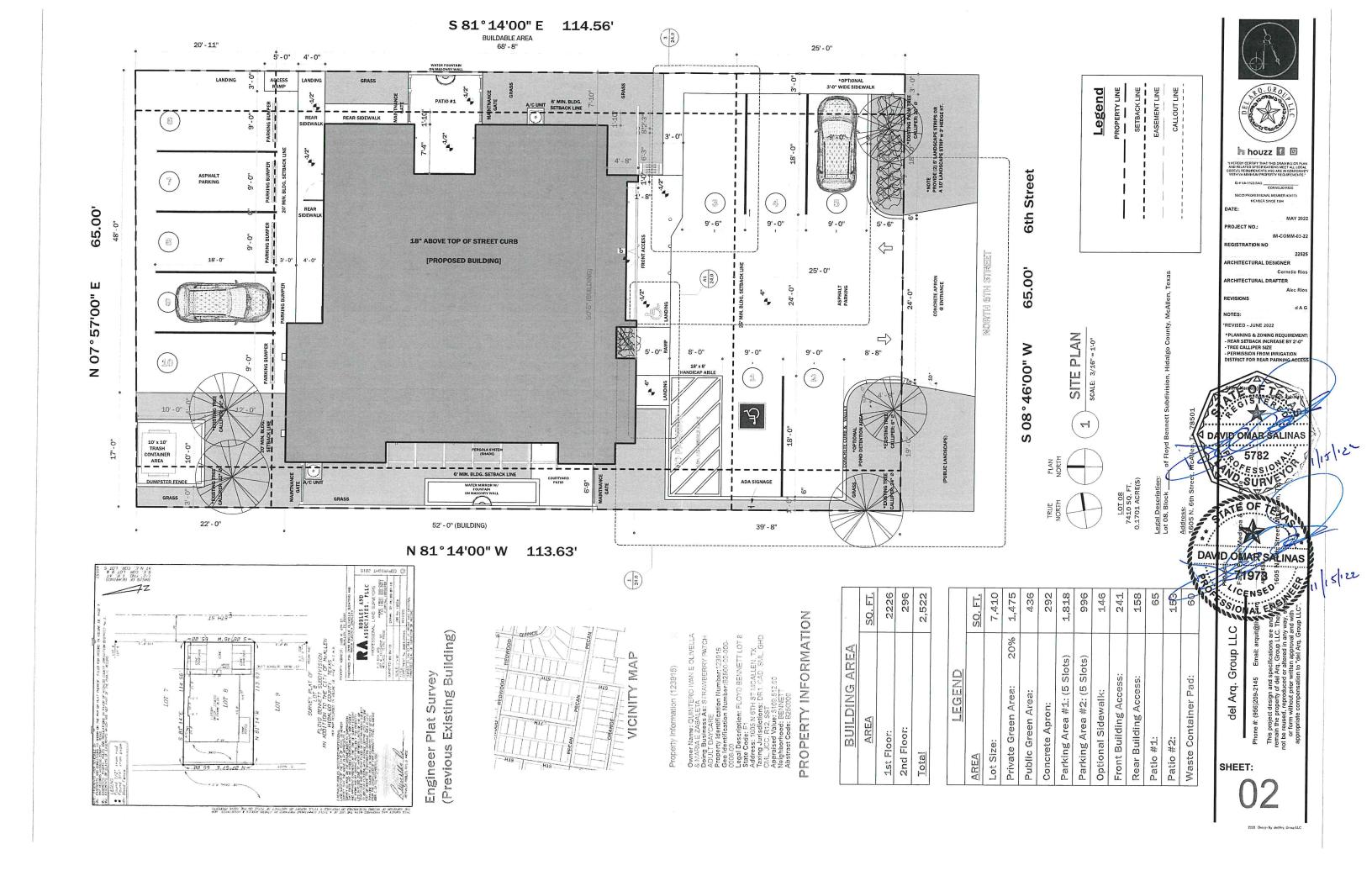
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Applicant	Name David Oward Salivas Phone 682-9081  Address ZZZI DAFFO DIL AVE. E-mailsolinas e salivas engindre  City ME ALIEN State Ty Zip 78501
Owner	Name MARIA RUGENIA ZABALETA Phone 956-315-4695  Address 4909 TWO DR. E-mail MARUCABALETA C  City EDIN BURG State T90 Zip 76540
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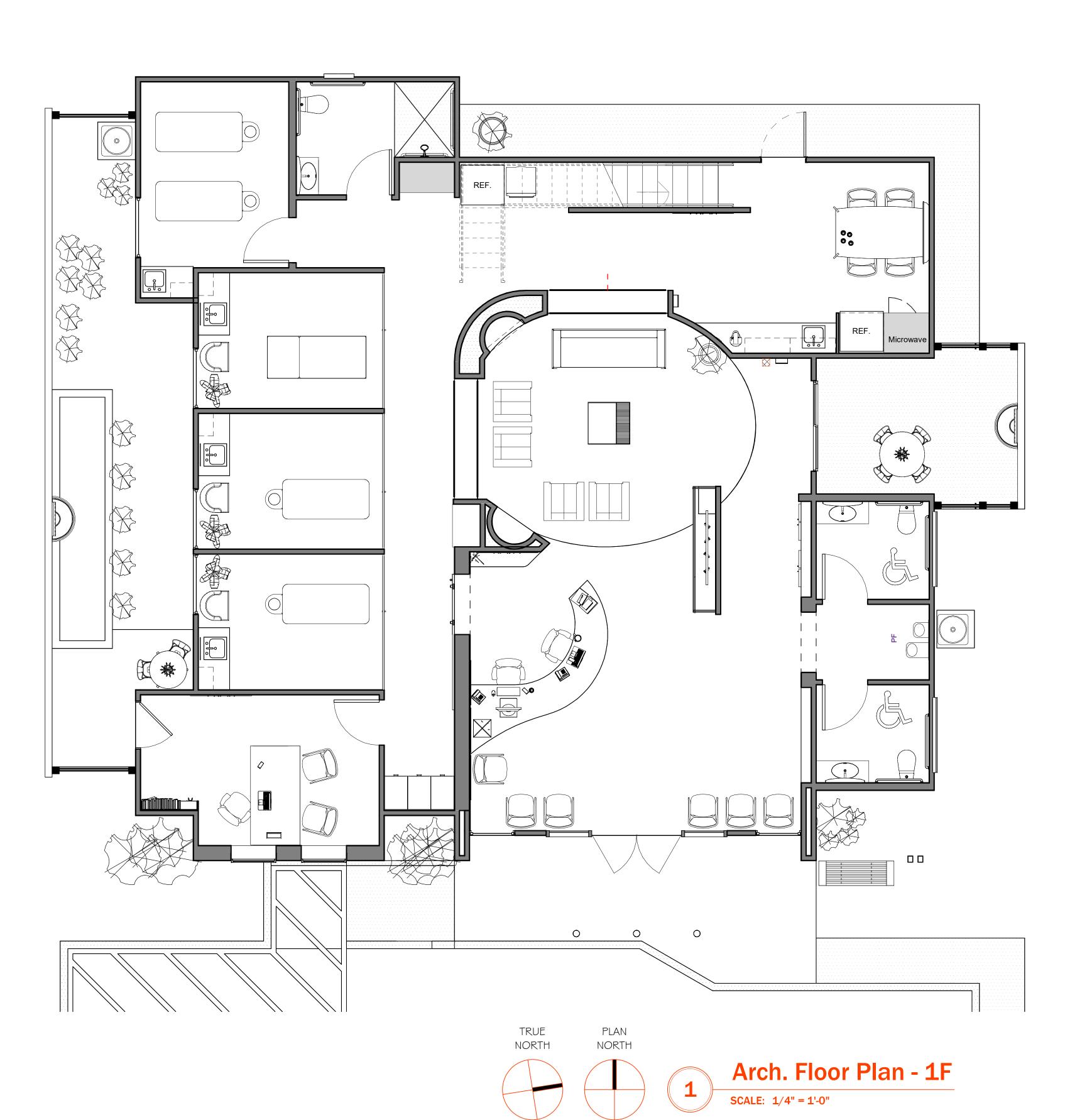
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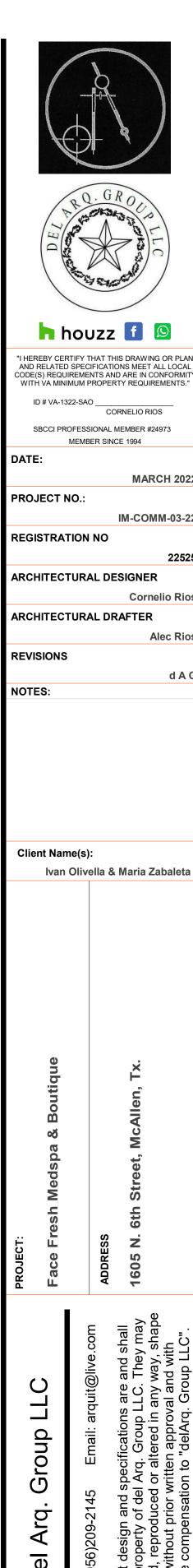
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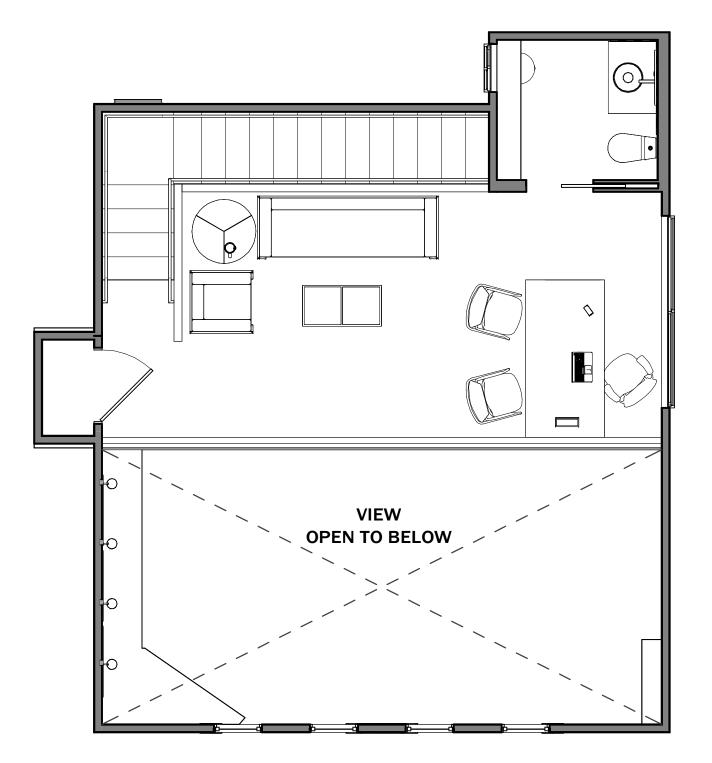
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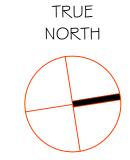
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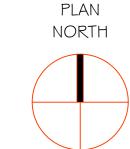
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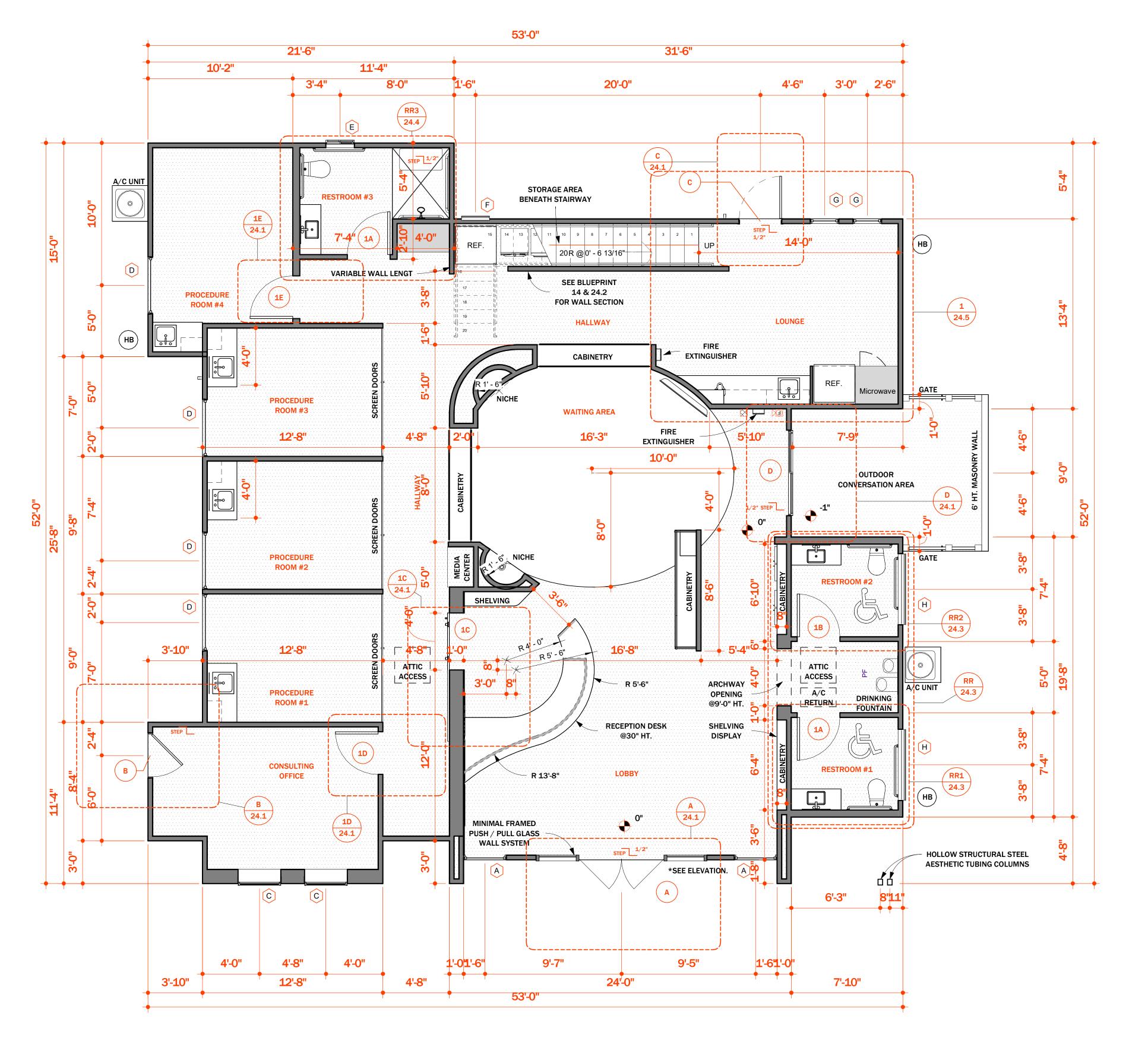
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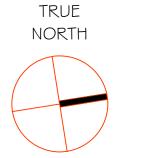
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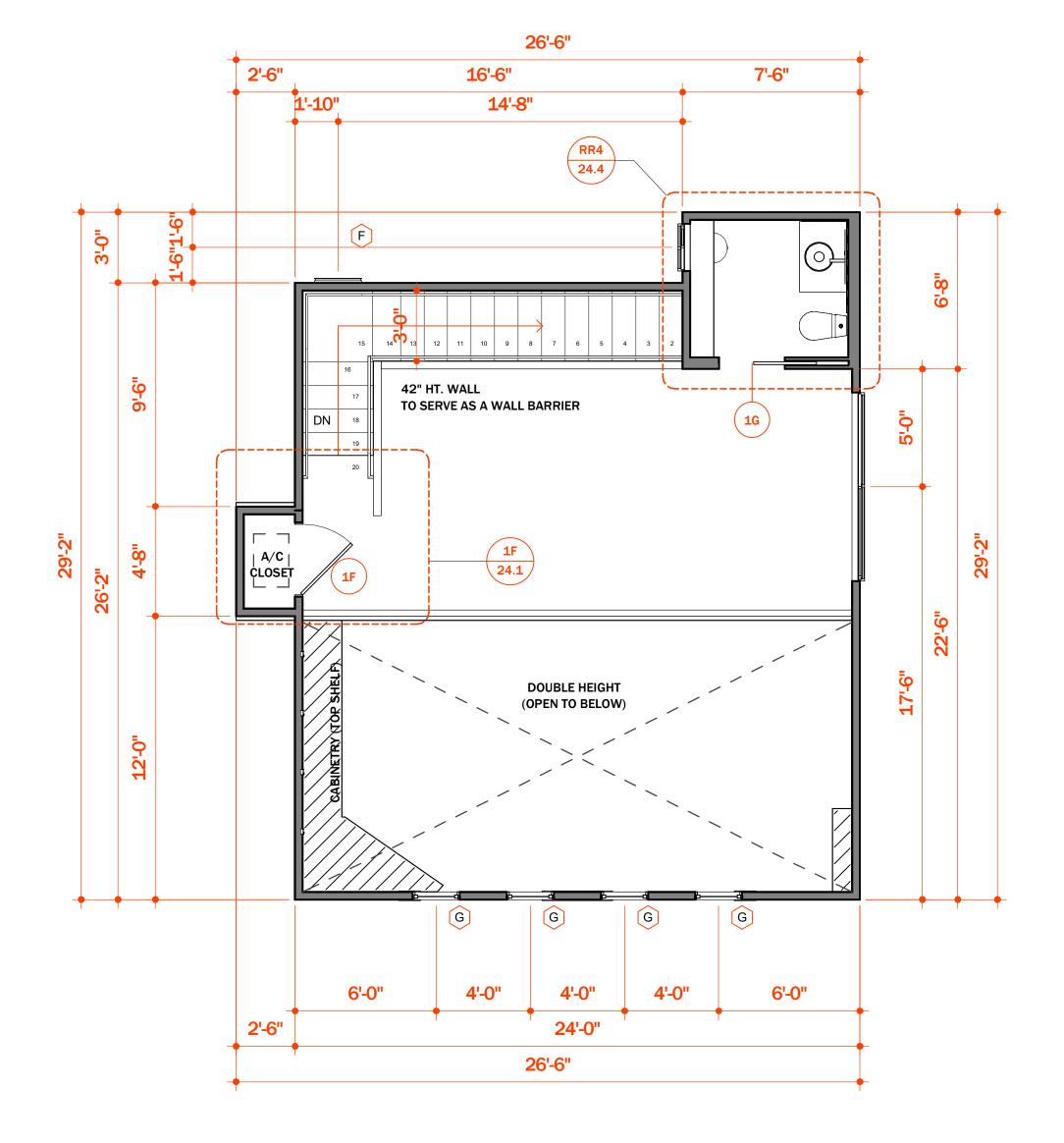
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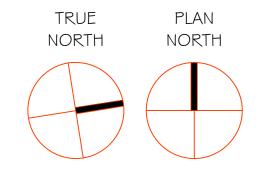
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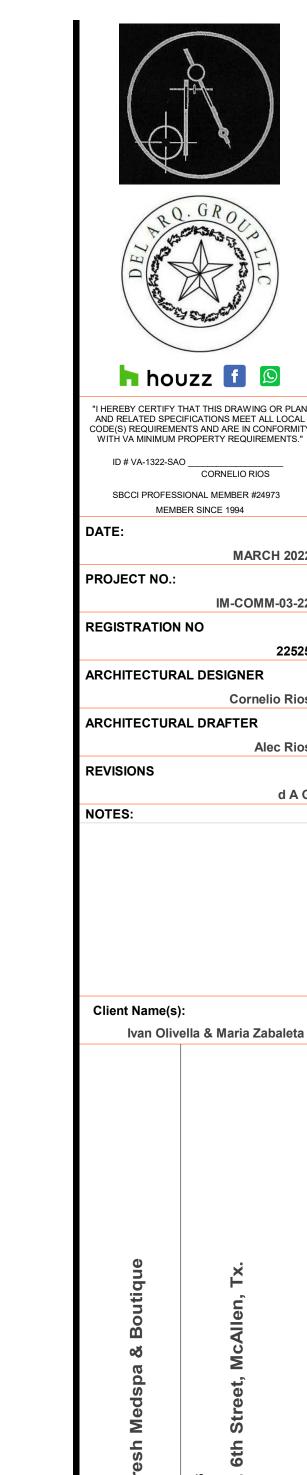
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**TO:** Zoning Board of Adjustment & Appeals

**FROM:** Planning Staff

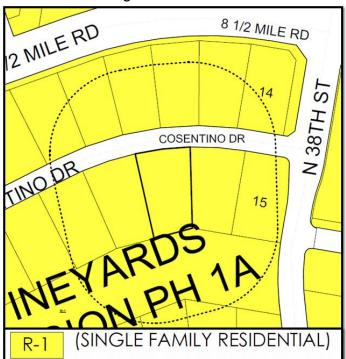
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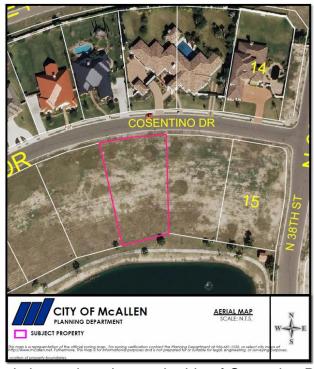
SUBJECT: Request of Luis D. Waldo on Behalf of Rene Castellanos (owner) for the following

Variance request to the City of McAllen Vegetation Ordinance to allow the required landscaped area to be synthetic grass instead of natural grass at Lot 17, Vineyard Estates Subdivision Phase 1A, Hidalgo County, Texas; 3817 Cosentino Drive.

(ZBA2022-0126)

**REASON FOR APPEAL:** Property owner is requesting a variance to the Vegetation Ordinance to reduce the cost of maintaining natural grass, to give the landscape better appearance year around, and to reduce the usage of water and chemicals.





**PROPERTY LOCATION AND VICINITY:** The property is located on the south side of Cosentino Drive, approximately 250 ft. west of North 28<sup>th</sup> Street. The property dimensions are 130.20 feet by 204.07 feet. The subject property is zoned R-1 (single family residential) District. The adjacent zoning is R-1 District in all directions. Surrounding land uses include single-family residences and vacant land.

**BACKGROUND AND HISTORY:** A building permit was submitted in November 2020 for a 7,453 square feet single-family residence. An application for the variance request was received by the

Planning Department on December 2, 2022.

**ANALYSIS:** Upon submittal of the variance request, the applicant also submitted a landscape plan that indicates that synthetic grass is proposed to be used for the subject property to comply with the landscape requirements. Section 110-56 (f) of the Vegetation Ordinance states that synthetic or artificial lawns or plants shall not be used in lieu of plant requirements.

The variance to the vegetation ordinance to allow the synthetic grass instead of the required landscape area that is visible from the fronting street (Consentino Drive) is not being met. As per Section 110-48 indicates that a minimum of fifty percent of the area within the required front yard of any residential parcel shall be devoted to landscape material.

Under the Building Permit, the applicant signed the conditions requiring a certain amount of landscape square footage to be of "sod, including the side yard setback extending to the front property line..." in December 2020.

Staff received two phone calls in opposition to the variance request. The citizens expressed that everyone must comply with the landscaping requirements.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends disapproval of the variance request as synthetic grass should not be used in lieu of plant requirements and approval of the variance request may encourage other property owners to not comply with landscaping requirements.

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311 North 15th Street

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# City of McAllen

# Planning Department APPEAL TO ZONING BOARD OF

McAllen, TX 78501 P. O. Box 220 McAllen, TX 78505-0220 (956) 681-1250 (956) 681-1279 (fax)

15 °	ADJUSTMENT TO MCALLEN ZONING ORDINANCE
	Legal Description Lot 17 Of the Uneyards Subdavision
Project	Subdivision Name  Street Address  Number of lots  Number of lots  Existing Zoning  Existing Land Use  Reason for Appeal (please use other side if necessary)  Synthetic Atticis   the first in the local point of the tract is a portion of a lot) is required
Applicant	Name Luis D. Waldo Phone 956-777-3677  Address 8904 N. Oth Malla E-mail luis waldo Byano Com  City Malla State Ty Zip 78504
Owner	Name Line Cestelland Phone 956-369-4877  Address N/A 4817 S Jechson E-mail  City Edinburs State TX Zip 78539
Authorization	To the best of your knowledge are there any deed restrictions, restrictive covenants, etc. which would prevent the utilization of the property in the manner indicated?  Yes  No I certify that I am the actual owner of the property described above and this application is being submitted with my consent (include corporate name if applicable) OR I am authorized by the actual owner to submit this application and have attached written evidence of such authorization.  Signature:  Date  Print Name  Rene Castellanos  Owner  Authorized Agent
Office	Accepted by Payment received by Date DEC 0 2 2022  Rev 09/20  Rev 09/20

# Planning Department REASON FOR APPEAL & BOARD ACTION

Reason for Appeal	A variance will not be granted to relieve a self-created or personal hardship, nor shall it be based solely on economic gain or loss. In order to make a finding of hardship and grant the variance, the Zoning Board of Adjustment will consider any combination of the following: (Please use an additional page if necessary to complete responses)  "Information provided here by the applicant does not guarantee that the Board will grant a variance.  "Applicant should include all information they determine is relevant, but it is not required to provide responses to all sections listed below.  1. Describe the special circumstance or condition affecting the land involved such that the strict application of the provisions required would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of the land:  This house is in Confirmed with Greeney, it has add greeney it has a confirmed with Greeney, it has a deformed to the variance is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of the legal property rights of the owner:  The Criat Canada afford to water the property of the legal property rights of the owner:  The Criat Canada afford to water the property will be a greater investment but a fifth of the variance will not be detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare or injurious to the legal rights other property owners enjoy in the area:  The grass has the legal testing and will be incompliance with larger many ciplations.  4. Describe special conditions that are unique to this applicant or property:  This Confirmed with a service with a specific or property.  A time of the Zonsa a Scrings in water Consumption.
Board Action	Chairman, Board of Adjustment Date Signature
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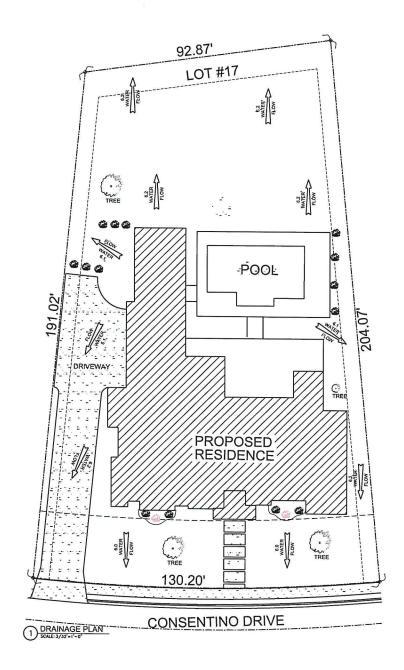
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   Playgroung
- Playground
   Fringes

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SUBDIVISION

MCALLEN, TEXAS

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# **PLANNING DEPARTMENT**



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# **2023 CALENDAR**

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MARK TALBOT (ATL 2)				Р	Р	Α	Р	Р	Р	Α	Α	Α	Α	LQ	Р	A	Р	Р	Р	Р	Α	Р	Α	Α	Α	
SAM SALDIVAR (ALT 3)				Р	Р	Α	Р	Р	Р	Α	Р	Α	Α	LQ	Р	P	Р	Α	Р	Р	Р	Р	Α	Р	Р	
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A - ABSENT

NEW APPOINTMENT

**MC - MEETING CANCELLED** 

**NRM - NO MEETING** 

LOQ - LACK OF QUORUM

**RS - RESIGNATION**