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# CITY OF AUSTIN APPLICATION TO BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT GENERAL VARIANCE/PARKING VARIANCE

WARNING: Filing of this appeal stops all affected construction activity.

PLEASE: APPLICATION MUST BE TYPED WITH ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION COMPLETED.
STREET ADDRESS: 57 Anthony St. Austin, TX 78702
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Subdivision – Driving Park Addition South 40%
Lot(s)Lot 8 Block K Outlot 61 Division O
I/We Christine Chun on behalf of myself/ourselves as authorized agent for
Christine Chunaffirm that on April 8 , 2014 ,
hereby apply for a hearing before the Board of Adjustment for consideration to:
(check appropriate items below)
ERECT X ATTACH COMPLETE REMODEL MAINTAIN
an extension to an existing carport to widen it from 8'6" to 11'6" (measured by the
concrete footing) and to widen the concrete driveway leading to the carport to 14'6".
This requires a 4' variance into a 5' side setback including a 1' roof overhang.
in a SF-3-NP (Holly) listrict. (zoning district)
NOTE: The Board must determine the existence of, sufficiency of and weight of evidence supporting the findings described below. Therefore, you must complete each of the applicable Findings Statements as part of your application. Failure to do so may result in your application being rejected as incomplete. Please attach any additional support documents.

VARIANCE FINDINGS: I contend that my entitlement to the requested variance is based on the following findings (see page 5 of application for explanation of findings):

#### **REASONABLE USE:**

1. The zoning regulations applicable to the property do not allow for a reasonable use because:

The existing carport has a usable width of 8'2" due to support posts. Entry is off of the alleyway, and the carport is not wide enough to safely allow a small car to go in or out.

#### **HARDSHIP:**

- 2. (a) The hardship for which the variance is requested is unique to the property in that:

  The carport is insufficiently designed, resulting in an unsafe structure. The car doors can't open while parked, and I have hit and damaged the car on the carport 3 times in 2 months.
- (b) The hardship is not general to the area in which the property is located because:

  There are many properties with functional 1 or 2 car carports or garages, some with
  entry off of the alley.

#### **AREA CHARACTER:**

3. The variance will not alter the character of the area adjacent to the property, will not impair the use of adjacent conforming property, and will not impair the purpose of the regulations of the zoning district in which the property is located because:

There are many properties with 1 or 2 car carports or garages in the area. There will still be two feet between the carport structure and the neighbor's fence.

**PARKING:** (Additional criteria for parking variances only.)

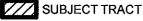
Request for a parking variance requires the Board to make additional findings. The Board may grant a variance to a regulation prescribed Section 479 of Chapter 25-6 with respect to the number of off-street parking spaces or loading facilities required if it makes findings of fact that the following additional circumstances also apply:

1. Neither present nor anticipated future traffic volumes generated by the use of the site or the uses of sites in the vicinity reasonable require strict or literal interpretation and enforcement of the specific regulation because:

2.	The granting of this variance will not result in the parking or loading of vehicles on public streets in such a manner as to interfere with the free flow of traffic of the streets because:
3.	The granting of this variance will not create a safety hazard or any other condition inconsistent with the objectives of this Ordinance because:
4.	The variance will run with the use or uses to which it pertains and shall not run with the site because:
N	OTE: The Board cannot grant a variance that would provide the applicant with a special privilege not enjoyed by others similarly situated or potentially similarly situated.
apı	PLICANT CERTIFICATE – I affirm that my statements contained in the complete plication are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Sig	med Cuswilliam Mail Address 57 Anthony St.
Cit	y, State & Zip Austin, TX 78702
Pri	nted Christine Chun Phone (512) 665-2226 Date 4/8/2014
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ZONING BOUNDARY

CASE#: C15-2014-0066 Address: 57 ANTHONY ST

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Hello!

I am requesting a setback variance for the property at 57 Anthony St. The setback concerned is at the rear of my property, but it is a side setback for a normal lot.

I purchased the property last November from the builder as a newly constructed home, and quickly found after moving in that the carport was too narrow to be used easily or safely. The car must be positioned very carefully within the carport to allow the driver's side door to open enough to exit the car, and even then it is a very tight squeeze. In the first two months of residence, I hit and damaged the car against the carport three times. I have a rather small car (Honda Civic), so I imagine the carport is simply unusable as such for any larger vehicle.

The driveway leading up to the carport was also not built according to the plans, resulting in a 8'6" driveway when a 12' driveway was drawn. There is no concrete supporting the arc between the alleyway and the carport where the car must drive in order to reach the carport, resulting in the car "falling" into the yard when entering or exiting the carport. This can't be good for the vehicle, and it is creating a hole in the yard.

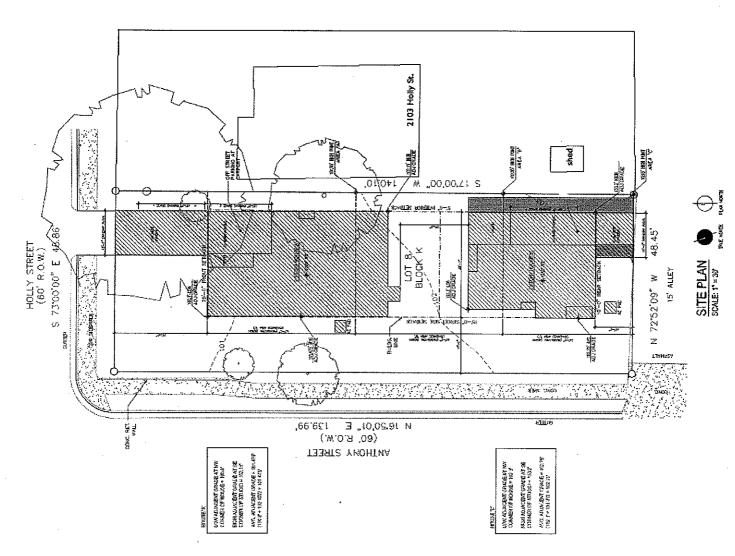
Though the carport is drawn and built to be 8'6" wide (which I understand to be the minimum required in the city of Austin), there are 4" cedar support posts which make the actual usable width 8'2" wide.

I am requesting a setback variance to be able to widen the carport and driveway 3 feet, taking it to 11'6" (usable width of 11'2"). Typical carport widths seem to range from 10' to 12'. This variance would leave 2 feet of open ground between the carport and the neighbor's fence. The additional one foot of the variance is to accommodate the 1' roof overhang.

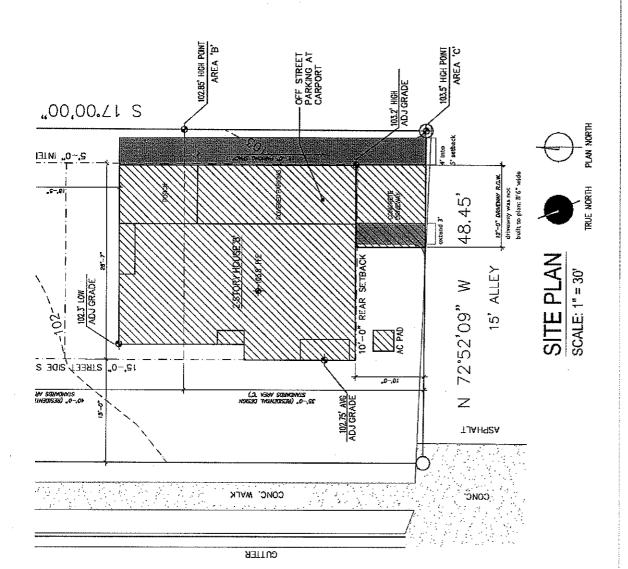
I have spoken with both of my adjacent neighbors, and they are all right with my proposal to widen the carport. I have also spoken with the Holly Neighborhood Coalition about my situation, and they are initially also in support of the modifications. Though I attended their last meeting to discuss the issue, we ran out of time to go into my request in detail. I have submitted my application materials to the Coalition's board so that they might review the modifications in further detail.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my request. I will look forward to speaking with you soon!

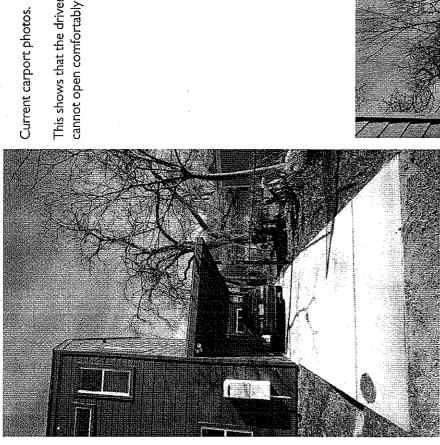
Sincerely, Christine Chun



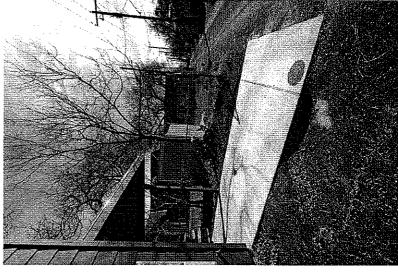
Current, proposed, and adjacent structures. Proposed modifications in blue.



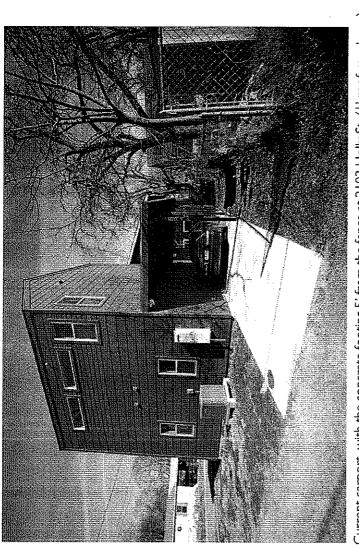
Detail and measurements of the proposed changes.



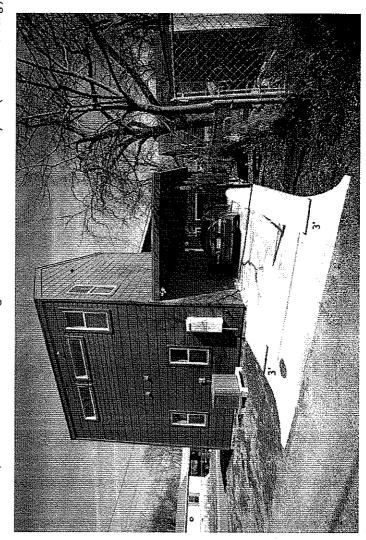
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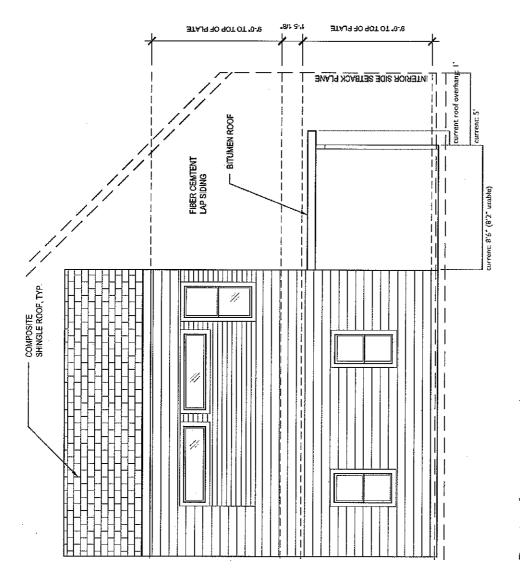
and the carport, resulting in the car "falling" into the yard and creating a hole every time it enters or exits. does not have concrete bridging the alley The driveway leading up to the carport



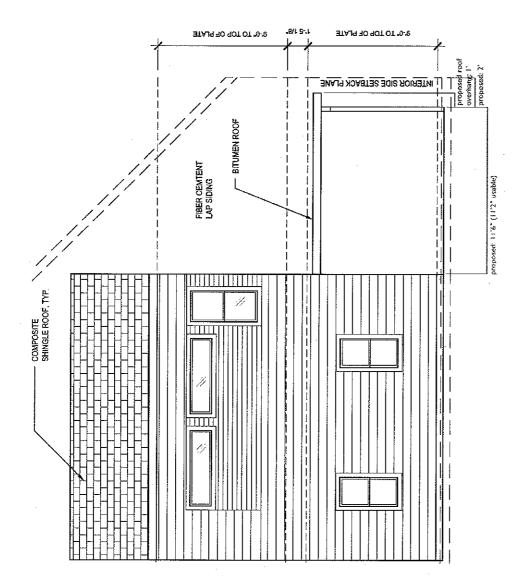
Current carport, with the concrete footing 5' from the fence at 2103 Holly St. (1' roof overhang.)



Proposed carport modifications, with concrete footing 2' from the fence. Roof 1' from fence.



Drawing of current carport dimensions.



Proposed carport dimensions.

LOT SIZE: 6,744 sf

SNIGTINB	BUILDING AND SITE AREA	Æ	
AREA DESCRIPTION	HOUSE 14' SF	HOUSE 'A' SFHOUSE 'B' SF	TOTAL SF
	HOUSE'A'	HOUSE 'B'	
1st FLOOR CONDITIONED AREA	1,145	296	1,741
2nd FLOOR CONDITIONED AREA			
3rd FLOOR CONDITIONED AREA		-	
BASEMENT			
COVERED PARKING	198	198	386
COVERED PATIO, DECK or PORCH	35	146	200
BALCONY			
OTHER			
TOTAL BUILDING COVERAGE	1,397	940	2,337
DRIVEWAY	300	122	422
SIDEWALKS			
UNCOVERED PATIO			
UNCOVERED WOOD DECK (69%)			
A/C PADS	6	6	18
OTHER (POOL COPING ETC.)			
TOTAL SITE COVERAGE	1,646	1.071	2,777
POOL			
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2,777 sf 16,744 sf = 41% IMPERVIOUS COVER

)	GROSS FLOOR AREA	OR AREA		
AREA DESCRIPTION	HOUSE 74' SF	HOUSE 'A' SF[HOUSE 'B' SF EXEMP]	EXEMPT	TOTAL SF
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1st FLOOR	1,145	596	X	1.74
2nd FLOOR	617	254	/	871
3rd FLOOR				
BASEMENT				
ATTIC				
GARAGE (ATTACHED)				
(DETACHED)				
CARPORT (ATTACHED)	198	198	396	o
(DETACHED)				
ACCESSORY BLDG(S)				
TOTAL GROSS FLOOR AREA	æ			2,612

2,612 sf / 6,744 sf = .39 FAR/GFA

Current impervious cover calculations. 2,777 sf / 6,744 sf = 41% impervious cover

Proposed modifications would add:

3 ft × 10 ft concrete on the left side = 30 sf 3 ft x 33 ft concrete on the right side = 99 sf

(2,777 sf + 129 sf) / 6,744 sf = 43.1% impervious cover

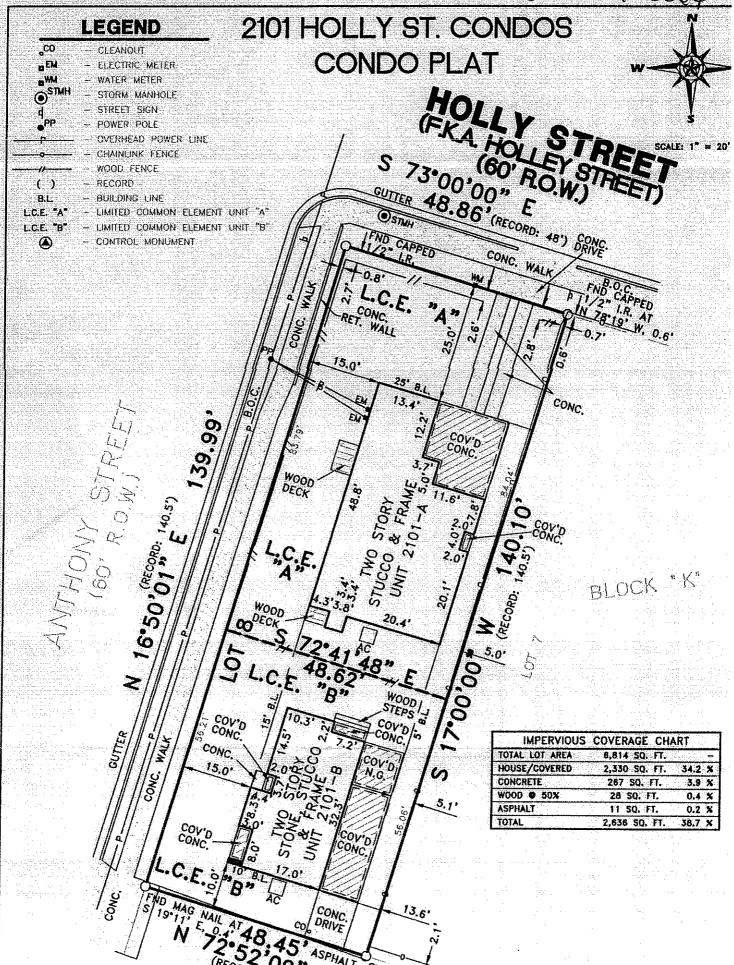
The style and materials of the carport extension will resemble the style and materials of the existing carport as closely as possible.

The materials currently in use are:

#2 grade lumber
TPO membrane
bitumen roofing
metal flashing
5/8" plywood sheathing
concrete foundation
cedar posts and beam support



View from the street. Since the carport is located behind the house with alley access, the proposed changes should not alter the character of the neighborhood.



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Conversation between you and Franny Zarate

Christine Chun

Hello Franny,

2h ago

I've tried contacting you several times via email and by phone over the past two weeks, and have not been able to get a hold of you regarding the setback variance I spoke about at the last neighborhood Coalition meeting.

The schedules have become rather urgent, and I would really like to be able to know if I will be able to move forward with this application, which requires a letter from the neighborhood association.

If you could please contact me so that I can do what is necessary for all of you, I would appreciate it greatly.

As I've mentioned, this is a matter of property (and psychological) safety, so if you could please respond promptly, that would be amazing.

Thank you again for your time. Christine

Franny Zarate

36m ago

Hi Christine! It sounds like you didn't get a message I sent this week?? Anyway, the HNC approves your request. We wont be able to provide a letter from the group but you have our support. I will request our support is noted in our meeting minutes posted on our website.

Thank you

Franny Zarate

36m ago

is a letter absolutely needed? I may be able to sign something on behalf tomorrow morning?

Christine Chun Helio Franny

Just now

Thank you so much for your response! I also just got off the phone with Elizabeth. I did not receive any message from you, I'm sorry that I missed It.

Thank you for your word of support. The Board of Adjustment does specifically ask for a letter

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