

Written comments must be submitted to the board or commission (or the contact person listed on the notice) before or at a public hearing. Your comments should include the board or commission's name, the scheduled date of the public hearing, and the Case Number and the contact person listed on the notice.

Case Number: 2014-079972 PR
ADDRESS: 905 Columbus Street
Contact: Daniel Word, 974-3341
Public Hearing: March 12, 2015
Austin City Council

<input checked="checked" type="checkbox"/> I am in favor
<input type="checkbox"/> I object

Joel Mitchell
Your Name (please print)

808 Columbus
Your address (es) affected by this application

Joel Mitchell 02/23/15
Signature Date

Comments: _____

If you use this form to comment, it may be returned to:
City of Austin
Daniel Word
P.O. Box 1088
Austin, TX 78767-8810

October, 2014

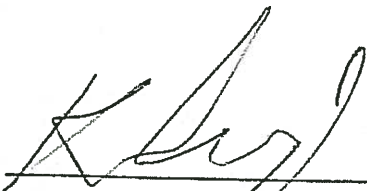
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As a resident of 1008 S 5th St, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

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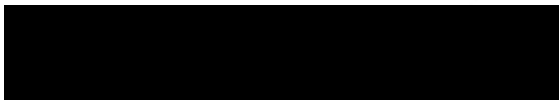
Name:



KRISTY ANDERSON

Contact Information:

512-507-4724



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As a resident of 908 Dawson Rd, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Alan J. Garza

Contact Information: 512 773 8935

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905 DAWSON

As a resident of Bouldin, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name:

Veronica Celling

Contact Information:

512-447-5849

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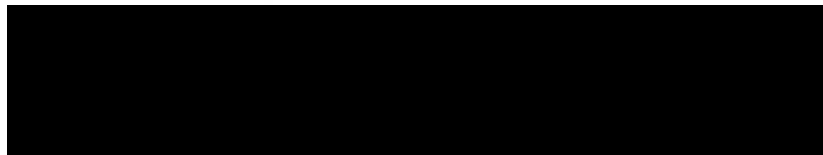
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As a resident of 801 W. Gibson, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Adam B. Johnson *Adam B. Johnson*

Contact Information: 773.563.5585



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As a resident of 704 W. Jihannan St #A Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Amy Sullivan

Contact Information: 512 970 4615

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As a resident of 714 Jewell St., Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Ayshea Daman

Contact Information: (512) 284-1591

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As a resident of 912 W. GIBSON ST, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Joe Gepfert

Contact Information: (512) 535-8431

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As a resident of 910 W. Gibson, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Caroline Baldwin

Contact Information: 

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As a resident of 1003 BOULDIN AVE APT #A, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: JILLIAN IRWIN

Contact Information: 512.970.7501

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As a resident of 1209 W. Mealy, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Nathan Galdin
Contact Information: 713-292-7116

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As a resident of 16001 South 3rd St, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Eliza Dahmen

Contact Information: 512-650-7735

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Thank you,

Name: Cynthia Schiebel - 2313 S. 2nd St. -
Contact Information: 512-422-2508

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As a resident of 806 Bouldin Ave, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: JAY BILLIG

Contact Information: 512 914 5292

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As a resident of 1110 S 5th, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: _____

Kevin Peroni K-P

Contact Information: _____

512-431-3178

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As a resident of 1102 S 5th St, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: William Gorenham

Contact Information: 512 537-9811

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As a resident of 1010 S. 5th, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name:

WD Ziegler

Contact Information:

512.296.3850

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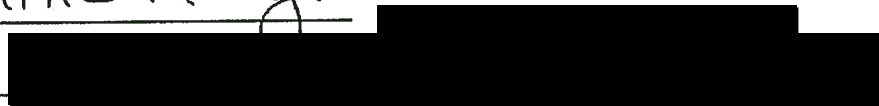
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Thank you,



Name: Duaine King

Contact Information:



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As a resident of 907 James St., Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: 

Contact Information: 312-748-9220

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As a resident of 908 JAMES, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

ROB BAIRD

Name: 

Contact Information: 646 234 5067

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As a resident of 914 James St., Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Hannah Donclero

Contact Information:



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As a resident of 804 Columbus St, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Doug Alford 5-31-14

Contact Information: 512.470.9942

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Thank you,

Name: Katie Orenstein

Contact Information: 818-620-4083

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As a resident of 904 Columbus, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Reynaldo Cisneros.

Name:

Rey Cisneros

Contact Information:

512-2994729 .

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As a resident of 906 COLUMBUS ST, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: ROBERT J BURNS

Contact Information: 317-796-3073



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As a resident of 908 Columbus, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name:

Lynda S. Jeffery

Contact Information:

512 444 8957

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Thank you,

Name: Luis A. Abañez

Contact Information: (512) 414-0371

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As a resident of 911 Columbus St, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Ben Conrad

Contact Information: 512 964 5848

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As a resident of 913 Columbus, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name:

Bruce Patterson

Contact Information:

512 815 0356

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Thank you,

Name:

GREG SMITH



Contact Information:

(214) 801-2883

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Thank you,

Name: Wendy Hall

Contact Information: _____

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As a resident of 1200 Bouldin Ave, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Jayne Barrett

Contact Information: 


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As a resident of 1201 Boulton Ave, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: BEN BISHOP 

Contact Information: 512.502.4877

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As a resident of 810 Christopher, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Philip. Caterbone. Star Caterbone.

Contact Information: 214-463-3282.

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As a resident of 906 Christopher St., Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Ashley Austin

Contact Information: 

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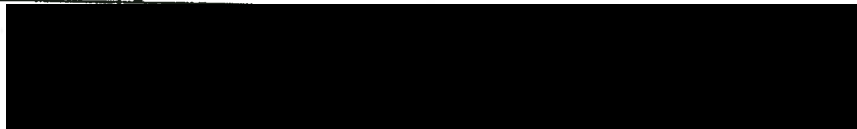
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As a resident of BCNA / 910 CHRISTOPHER Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Petra Rogers

Contact Information:



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As a resident of 707 W. 61st St, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Betsy Sheldon

Contact Information: (408) 203-1469

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As a resident of 1203 S. 3RD ST, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: KRUSTOF IRWIN

Contact Information: (512) 497-3221

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As a resident of 804 W. Elizabeth St., Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Julia Fars

Contact Information: 

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1007 Milton St.

As a resident of Bouldin Creek, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name:

Rebecca Lewis

Contact Information:

512 284-8299

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As a resident of 1011 Brodie St #5, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Mina Pizzini

Contact Information: 



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As a resident of 209 Fletcher Street, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,



Name: Jim Thatcher

Contact Information: 512 300 0931

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As a resident of 900 W Mary St, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name:

Kris Wixom 

Contact Information:

512-826-0485

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As a resident of 606 W. Live Oak Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Aspigel

Contact Information: 

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As a resident of 608 W Live Oak St, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Nat Molry

Contact Information: 206-295-0109

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As a resident of 1615 2nd St, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Madeline Turner

Contact Information: 212 333-1509


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As a resident of 709 Fletcher Street, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Diana Seidel 
Contact Information: 512-306-0931

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As a resident of 1002 Christopher, Austin Texas 78704 I support their waiver/variance application. The current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls is favorable over a carport as it enhances the aesthetic of the neighborhood and improves safety.

Thank you,

Name: Jana Wallace

Contact Information: 

JAMES B. MCIVER
708 B West Gibson Austin, Texas 78704
Phone 979-966-9044, Fax 512-712-4719

August 19, 2014

In Re: Permit Application #2014-079972-PR Carport /Garage Conversion

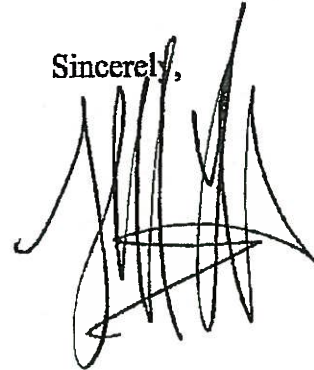
To Whom It May Concern,

I own the property at 708 B West Gibson Street, Austin, Texas. I live in the neighborhood and am familiar with the new home built by Mr. and Mrs. Bow on Columbus Street.

I have no objection whatsoever to the enclosure. It improves the appearance of the property and the neighborhood in general.

I do not require any notice and hereby give the Bow's permission to submit this letter in lieu of my personal appearance at any hearing or proceeding regarding their pending application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J. Mciver', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

10/3/2014

Patricia M Varraveto
413 W Johanna Street Unit A
Austin, TX 78704
Phone: 574-514-8736

City of Austin
RE: Permit Application #2014-079972-PR Carport/Garage Conversion

Dear City of Austin,

I am writing this letter in support of Mr. and Mrs. Bow's recent conversion of their carport into a garage at their home on Columbus Street in South Austin. I live in the same neighborhood as the Bows and currently reside at 413 W Johanna Street.

In addition to improving the appearance of their property, I believe that the newly added enclosed walls and securable garage door decrease the likelihood of theft at the Bows' property, thereby increasing the overall security of the neighborhood. I wish to go on record as fully supportive of this improvement at their home.

Thank you,

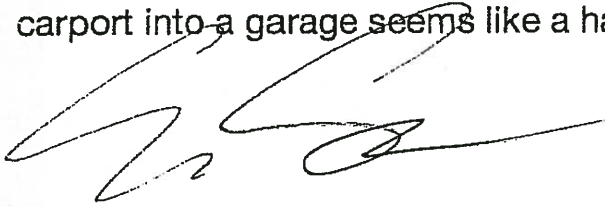


Patricia M Varraveto

10/2/14

To Whom It May Concern:

I was informed that the owners of 905 Columbus Street 78704 are applying for a waiver for their carport that was converted in to a garage. This did not make a bigger footprint, it just increased their FAR by a fraction of a percentage. As their neighbor, I support their waiver application. I too have a carport and just the other day a few items were stolen. Making their carport into a garage seems like a harmless thing to do and will be a deterrent for crime.



Eric and Becky Shaheen

909 Columbus Street

512-577-0240



Kathleen Van Keuren McIver
907 Columbus Austin, Texas 78704
Phone 979-224-7904, Fax 512-712-4719

August 19, 2014

City Of Austin

In Re: Permit Application #2014-079972-PR Conversion of Carport to Garage - General
Modification Waiver to the RDCC

Dear City of Austin,

Please be advised that I own the property at 907 Columbus Street, Austin, Texas. My home is directly next door to the new home built by Mr. and Mrs. Bow. I wholeheartedly support the conversion of their carport to a garage as it improves the appearance of their property, our property and the entire neighborhood.

I would be upset and greatly dismayed if the Bows were required to change their garage conversion. The appearance of their home with the garage is wonderful and greatly enhances my enjoyment of my property and the neighborhood appearance. I waive any notice regarding a hearing on this matter and wish to go on record as 100% in support of their conversion of their carport to a garage.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kathleen Van Keuren McIver', written in a cursive style.

Kathleen Van Keuren McIver

From: Jonathan Saad <Jonathan.Saad@tfc.state.tx.us>
Date: Fri, Aug 15, 2014 at 11:15 AM
Subject: RE: 905 Columbus-Carport to Garage Conversion
To: Gregory Bow <[REDACTED]>

Greg,

As the owner of 903 Columbus Street, Austin Texas 78704 I am in favor of the current standing structure as a garage with a door and walls and prefer this arrangement over a car port. Please let me know if there is anything further I can do to assist in this waiver request.

John Saad
(512)463-3237 Office
(512)848-3109 Mobile

From: Gregory Bow [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2014 8:45 AM
To: Jonathan Saad

Subject: 905 Columbus-Carport to Garage Conversion

Hi John,

Thanks for your time on the phone yesterday. As discussed, when we converted our carport to a garage it didn't change the overall footprint of our house, but our total FAR (floor-to-area ratio) became 0.44, which is over the current 0.40 limit for our lot. The city informed us of this issue at the beginning of June and we have been working with them since to follow the proper approval procedure. We submitted a Permit Application (Permit # 2014-079972-PR, accessible on www.austintexas.gov permit portal).

Then we submitted a General Modification Waiver application to the RDCC (Residential Design and Compatibility Commission) to increase our FAR to allow the garage door and enclosed side wall. You will be receiving a notice in the mail soon about our upcoming RDCC hearing regarding this case. The hearing will take place on 10/1 due to a scheduling conflict we have with the September date.

Currently we are working with the neighborhood association (BCNA) to try to get their support and it would help our case to get your support too. If you can reply to this email stating you are the owner of 903 Columbus Street and that you support our carport to garage conversion (the current standing structure) that would be great.

As discussed, our intention to convert our carport to a garage was based on security and aesthetics. We wanted our cars and any other items to be secure as well as make sure our neighbors didn't have to look at anything in our carport. Even though we were misinformed by our contractor, we take responsibility and apologize for this code violation as well as any disruption caused to you and the neighborhood.

Let me know if you have any questions and please feel free to stop by any time to look closely at our garage.

-Greg