CITY OF AUSTIN Board of Adjustment Decision Sheet F-3

DATE: Monday May 09, 2022	CASE NUMBER: C15-2022-0043			
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APPLICANT: Lisa Gray

OWNER: Red Door LLC

ADDRESS: 509 E 38TH ST

VARIANCE REQUESTED: The applicant is requesting a variance(s) from the Land Development Code, Section 25-2-492 (Site Development Regulations) from setback requirements to decrease the minimum rear yard setback from 10 feet (required) to 9 feet (requested) in order to maintain an existing Single-Family residence in a "SF-3-CO-NP", Single-Family-Conditional Overlay-Neighborhood Plan zoning district (Hancock Neighborhood Plan)

BOARD'S DECISION: BOA MEETING MAY 9, 2022 POSTPONED TO JUNE 13, 2022 BY STAFF (AE DENIAL) AND THE NEIGHBORS ALSO REQUESTED A POSTPONEMENT UNTIL THEY SPEAK WITH THE APPLICANT

FINDING:

- 1. The Zoning regulations applicable to the property do not allow for a reasonable use because:
- 2. (a) The hardship for which the variance is requested is unique to the property in that:
 - (b) The hardship is not general to the area in which the property is located because:

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:

Elaine Ramirez

Executive Liaison

Diana A. Ramirez for

Jessica Cohen Madam Chair



May 11, 2022

Lisa Gray 3530 Bee Caves Rd #218 Austin TX, 78746

Property Description: 100X140FT BLK 3 OLT 7-8 DIVISION C

Re: C15-2022-0043

Dear Lisa,

Austin Energy (AE) has reviewed your application for the above referenced property, requesting that the Board of Adjustment consider a variance from LDC 25-2-492 at 509 E 38th Street.

Austin Energy does not oppose the request, provided that any proposed or existing improvements follow Austin Energy's Clearance & Safety Criteria, the National Electric Safety Code, and OSHA requirements. Any removal or relocation of existing facilities will be at the owner's/applicant's expense.

Please use this link to be advised of our clearance and safety requirements which are additional conditions of the above review action:

https://library.municode.com/tx/austin/codes/utilities_criteria_manual?nodeId=S1AUENDECR_1 .10.0CLSARE

If you require further information or have any questions regarding the above comments, please contact our office. Thank you for contacting Austin Energy.

Cody Shook, Planner II

Austin Energy
Public Involvement | Real Estate Services
2500 Montopolis Drive
Austin, TX 78741
(512) 322-6881

BOA GENERAL REVIEW COVERSHEET

CASE: C15-2022-0043 **BOA DATE:** May 9th, 2022

ADDRESS: 509 E 38th St **COUNCIL DISTRICT**: 9

OWNER: Red Door LLC, Lisa Gray **AGENT:** N/A

ZONING: SF-3-CO-NP (Hancock NP)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: 100X140FT BLK 3 OLT 7-8 DIVISION C

VARIANCE REQUEST: decrease the minimum rear yard setback from 10 feet to 9 feet

SUMMARY: maintain an existing Single-Family Residence

ISSUES: structure(s) is an existing non-complying structure

	ZONING	LAND USES
Site	SF-3-CO-NP	Single-Family
North	SF-3-CO-NP	Single-Family
South	SF-3-CO-NP	Single-Family
East	SF-3-CO-NP	Single-Family
West	SF-3-CO-NP	Single-Family

NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS:

Austin Independent School District

Austin Lost and Found Pets

Austin Neighborhoods Council

CANPAC

Central Austin Community Development Corporation

Friends of Austin Neighbors

Hancock Neighborhood Assn.

Homeless Neighborhood Association

Neighborhood Empowerment Foundation

Preservation Austin

SELTexas

Sierra Club, Austin Regional Group



May 5, 2022

Lisa Gray 3530 Bee Caves Rd Austin TX, 78746

Property Description: 100X140FT BLK 3 OLT 7-8 DIVISION C

Re: C15-2022-0043

Dear Lisa,

Austin Energy (AE) has reviewed your application for the above referenced property, requesting that the Board of Adjustment consider a variance from LDC 25-2-492 at 508 E 38th Street.

Austin Energy cannot release the rear yard setback at this time due to our existing facilities along the rear of this site. Any permanent structure on this lot is required to meet 10' clearance from the outside conductor of the overhead electric distribution line along the rear lot line. To approve this variance request, AE will need proof (site plan or survey showing distances, etc.) that this clearance will be met. Also, any proposed or existing improvements must follow Austin Energy's Clearance & Safety Criteria, the National Electric Safety Code, and OSHA requirements. Any removal or relocation of existing facilities will be at the owner's/applicant's expense.

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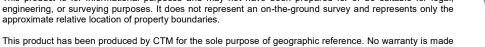
PENDING CASE

ZONING BOUNDARY

NOTIFICATIONS

CASE#: C15-2022-0043 LOCATION: 509 E 38TH STREET

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by the City of Austin regarding specific accuracy or completeness.



Board of Adjustment General/Parking Variance Application

<u>DevelopmentATX.com</u> | Phone: 311 (or 512-974-2000 outside Austin) For submittal and fee information, see <u>austintexas.gov/digitaldevelopment</u>

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

This application is a fillable PDF that can be completed electronically. To ensure your information is saved, <u>click here to Save</u> the form to your computer, then open your copy and continue.

The Tab key may be used to navigate to each field; Shift + Tab moves to the previous field. The Enter key activates links, emails, and buttons. Use the Up & Down Arrow keys to scroll through drop-down lists and check boxes, and hit Enter to make a selection.

The application must be complete and accurate prior to submittal. *If more space is required, please complete Section 6 as needed.* All information is required (if applicable).

For Office Use Only

Case # _	C15-2022-004	3 ROW # _	12912218	Tax # _	0217061206
Section	n 1: Applicar	nt Statement			
Street Addr	ess: 509 East 3	8th Street, Aust	n, Texas 78705		
	Legal Description 10FT Block 3 OL				
Lot(s):			Block(s)): 3	
Outlot:		Division: C			
Zoning Dist	rict: SF-3-CO-N	Р			
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O Erect		-	○ Remodel •	Maintain	Other:
Type of	Structure: Resid	dential Single Fa	mily		

Portion of the City of Austin Land Development Code applicant is seeking a variance from:

Land Development Code section 25-2-492 Site Development Regulations for a Rear Yard setback of 10-FT (required) to 9-ft (requested)

Section 2: Variance Findings

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 supporting documents.

NOTE: 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.

I contend that my entitlement to the requested variance is based on the following findings:

Reasonable Use

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

The lot is 14,027-SF with a 1954 home. We are subdividing the property into two lots. We would like to preserve the existing home. But as per code, the required lot width will make the existing home within the new 10-FT rear setback because the back of the home will be 9'-4" from the rear property line. Please see attached Exhibit A. We are requesting a variance from the 10-FT rear setback to allow for the 8" encroachment. This actually is an improvement over the 5'-7" encroachment of the garage into the existing rear setback (see Exhibit B).

Hardship

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

The subdivision for this property uniquely has the existing home to be within 8" of compliance; in addition, the surrounding properties have numerous similar encroachments. We are not asking for extra FAR or impervious cover. The only reason for this variance is to allow us to keep the existing home that will encroach into the new 10' setback. This will be less of an encroachment than the existing garage is at now, which is encroaching 5'-7" into the 10-FT rear setback.

b) The hardship is not general to the area in which the property is located because:

Several of the properties in the area are less than 10-FT from the rear lot line. See Exhibit C. In fact, our lot itself is not complying with the rear setback in its original configuration with the detached garage at 4.4' per survey (4'-5") from the rear lot line. See Exhibit B.

Area Character

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:

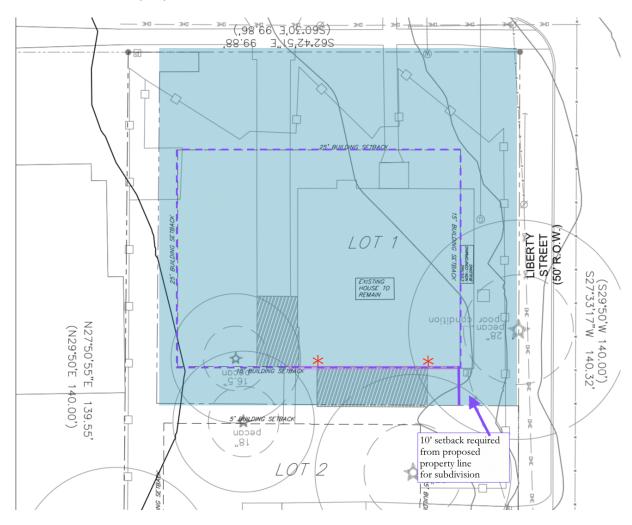
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Reque a varia Apper	ng (additional criteria for parking variances only) est for a parking variance requires the Board to make additional findings. The Board may grant ance to a regulation prescribed in the City of Austin Land Development Code Chapter 25-6, adix A with respect to the number of off-street parking spaces or loading facilities required if it is 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 reasonably 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 inconsisten 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:

Section 3: Applicant Certificate

I affirm that my statements contained in the complete approximy knowledge and belief.	olication are true and	d correct	to the	best of
Applicant Signature:		Date:	4/7/2	2022
Applicant Name (typed or printed): Lisa Gray				
Applicant Mailing Address: 3530 Bee Caves Road #218				
City: Austin	State: TX		_ Zip:	78746
Phone (will be public information): 512-767-5710				
Email (optional – will be public information):				
Section 4: Owner Certificate				
I affirm that my statements contained in the complete approximation my knowledge and belief.				
Owner Signature:		_ Date: _	4/7/2	2022
Owner Name (typed or printed): Red Door LLC, Lisa Gra				
Owner Mailing Address: 3530 Bee Caves Road #218				
City: Austin	State: TX		_ Zip:	78746
Phone (will be public information): _512-767-5710				
Email (optional – will be public information):				
Section 5: Agent Information				
Agent Name: Lisa Gray				
Agent Mailing Address: 3530 Bee Caves Road #218				
City: _Austin	State: TX		_Zip:	78746
Phone (will be public information): 512-767-5710				
Email (optional – will be public information):				
Section 6: Additional Space (if applicable	e)			
Please use the space below to provide additional informate referenced to the proper item, include the Section and Fig.				

Exhibit A - 509 E 38th Rear Set back Encroachment





Below is the zoomed-in location of encroaching part of existing home into 10' setback, which is 4-8" of encroachment:

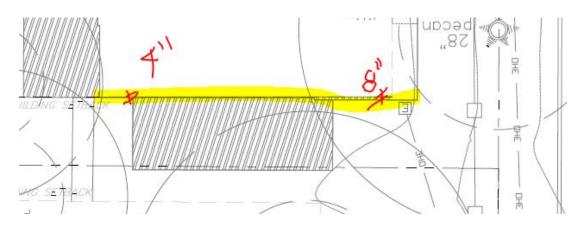


Exhibit B - Existing Rear Setback Encroachment

Existing rear garage is 4.4' (aka 4'-5") from the rear property line, which is a 5'-7" encroachment into the 10-FT rear setback.

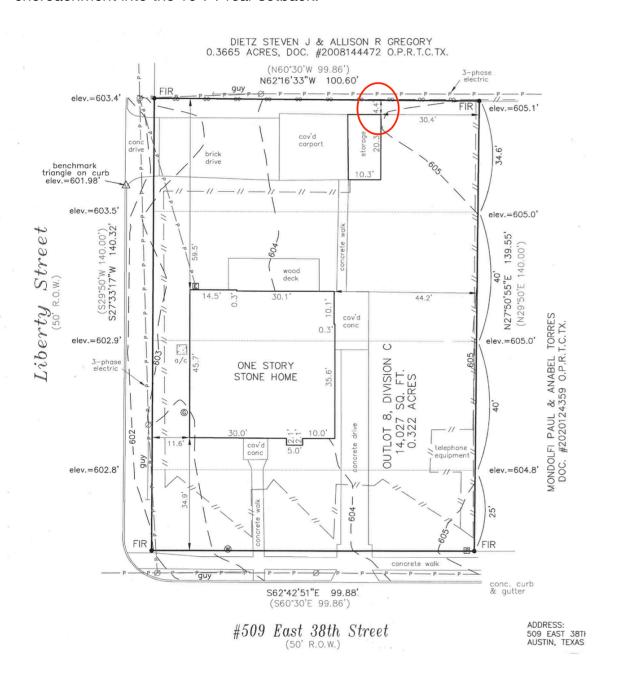


Exhibit C - Neighboring Setback Encroachments

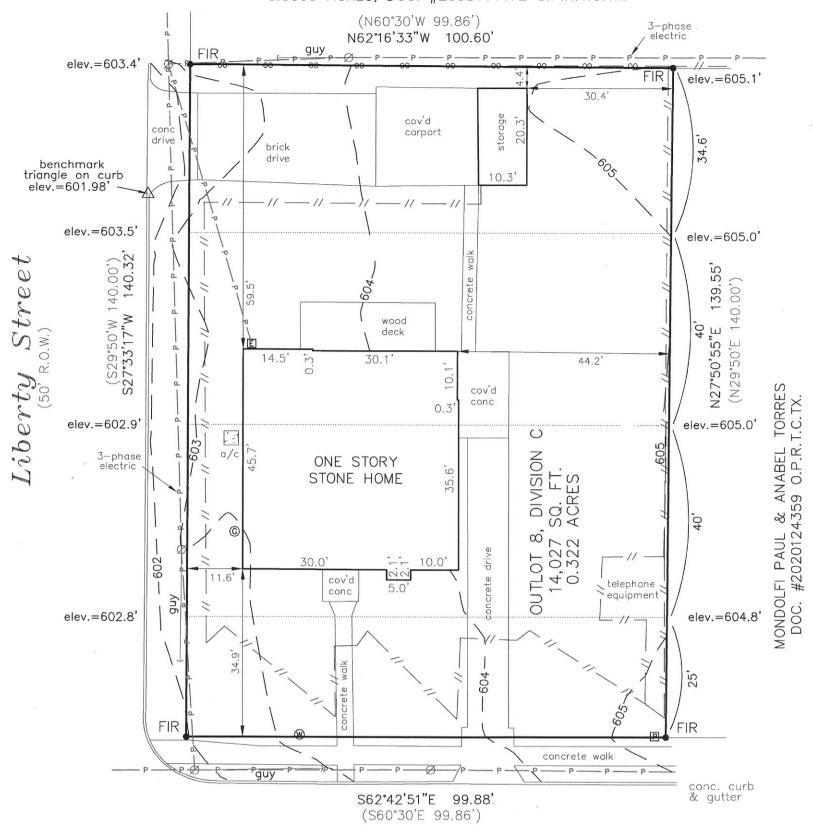
Shown below with the the red lines are properties with rear setbacks in the area that are less than 10'. Within a couple blocks of the subject property, there at least 10 properties that encroach into the 10-FT rear setback:



COMMERCIAL ENGINEERING, PLLC SURVEY PLAT

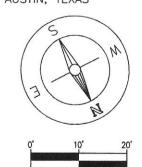
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:
0.322 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, OUT OF OUTLOT 8, DIVISION C, OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, AND BEING THE SAME PROPERTY DESCRIBED BY METES AND BOUNDS IN A SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED RECORDED IN VOLUME 11245, PAGE 1321 OF THE REAL PROPERTY RECORDS, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS.

DIETZ STEVEN J & ALLISON R GREGORY 0.3665 ACRES, DOC. #2008144472 O.P.R.T.C.TX.



#509~East~38th~Street

ADDRESS: 509 EAST 38TH STREET AUSTIN, TEXAS



GRAPHIC SCALE 1" = 20'

BEARING BASIS:
TEXAS COORDINATE SYSTEM
CENTRAL ZONE (4203), NAD83
U.S. SURVEY FEET (GRID)
ELEVATIONS ARE BASED ON
THE N.A.V.D. 88, GEOID 12B.

THIS SURVEY WAS PREFORMED WITHOUT THE BENEFIT OF A TITLE COMMITMENT AND OTHER RIGHTS AND RESTRICTIONS MAY APPLY.

IMPERVIOUS COVER	
HOUSE	2,058 SQ FT
CARPORT & STORAGE	645 SQ FT
WOOD DECK @50%	142 SQ FT
CONCRETE FLATWORK	1,017 SQ FT
BRICK DRIVE	700 SQ FT
TOTAL IMPERVIOUS LOT AREA	4,562 SQ FT 14,027 SQ FT
IMPERVIOUS COVER %	32.5 %

LEGEND	
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State of Texas: County of Travis:

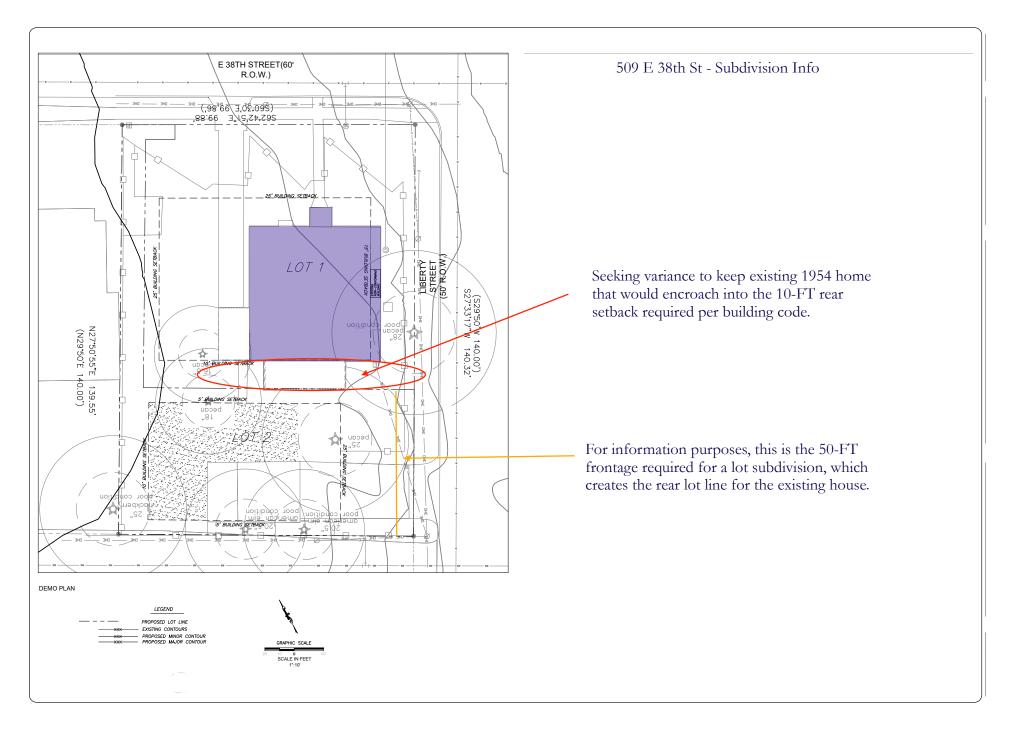
The undersigned does hereby certify that this survey was this day made on the property legally described hereon and is correct, and this survey substantially complies with the current Texas Society of Professional Surveyors Standards and Specifications for a Category 1A & 6 Condition II Survey. I certify that the property shown hereon IS NOT within a special flood hazard area as identified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, FIRM Flood hazard boundary map revised as per Map Number:48453C0465K Zone:X Dated:1/22/2020. Dated this 13th day of April, 2021.



Todd Blenden, R.P.L.S. 6186 Commercial Engineering, PLLC

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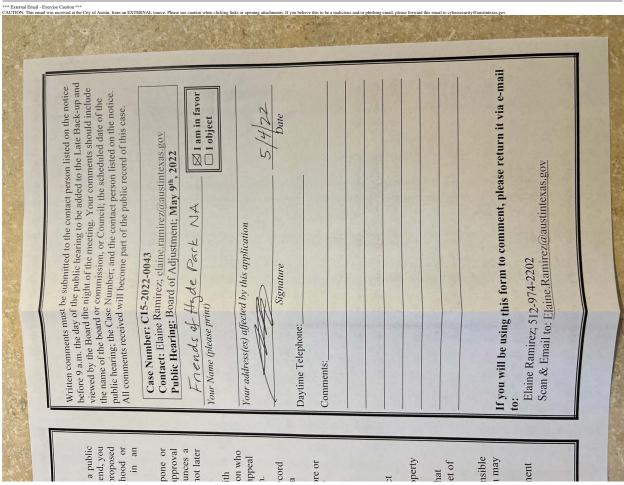


509 E 38th - Surrounding Properties



G-3/17





From: Sista Irie

To:

Subject: Easement hearing for May 9

Date: Wednesday, May 04, 2022 4:28:33 PM

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Hi Elaine,

I was contacted by a close neighbor regarding a new owner on the block who is requesting an easement change from the City and has a hearing slated for May 9. The owner is Red Door LLC. There are three 'side by side' neighbors who live on this block and have some initial objections. I mistakenly threw out my objection form.

We would like to ask for the hearing to be rescheduled so in order to request a meeting with Red Door LLC and ask for more information regarding the project. It is quite possible the meeting will allow us to stop the objections so it is important to everyone that we speak as a group. One of the neighbors who lives right behind them is reaching out to them later today to set up a time.

Please let me know how to delay the hearing while we speak with the applicants and make sure we are all comfortable with any changes to the current City guidelines.

Thank you,

Beverly Shaw 512.619.1239

Beverly "Sista Irie" Shaw Media Professional, Photojournalist, Radio Broadcaster Community Radio Consultant Majesty Media, Island Stage Magazine, United Reggae 502 Texas Ave, Austin, Texas 78705 512.619.1239

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PUBLIC HEARING INFORMATION

Although applicants and/or their agent(s) are expected to attend a public hearing, you are not required to attend. However, if you do attend, you have the opportunity to speak FOR or AGAINST the proposed development or change. You may also contact a neighborhood or environmental organization that has expressed an interest in an application affecting your neighborhood.

During a public hearing, the board or commission may postpone or continue an application's hearing to a later date, or recommend approval or denial of the application. If the board or commission announces a specific date and time for a postponement or continuation that is not later than 60 days from the announcement, no further notice is required.

A board or commission's decision may be appealed by a person with standing to appeal, or an interested party that is identified as a person who can appeal the decision. The body holding a public hearing on an appeal will determine whether a person has standing to appeal the decision.

An interested party is defined as a person who is the applicant or record owner of the subject property, or who communicates an interest to a board or commission by:

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 and: rear setback in the application, delivering a written statement to the board or ac-

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... s rand development www.austintexas.gov/devservices.

Written comments must be submitted to the contact person listed on the notice before 9 a.m. the day of the public hearing to be added to the Late Back-up and viewed by the Board the night of the meeting. Your comments should include the name of the board or commission, or Council; the scheduled date of the public hearing; the Case Number; and the contact person listed on the notice. All comments received will become part of the public record of this case.

Case Number: C15-2022-0043

Contact: Elaine Ramirez; elaine.ramirez@austintexas.gov

Public Hearing: Board of Adjustment; May 9th, 2022

Abben Ames

Your Name (please print)

☐ I am in favor I object

508 Texas Ave. Austra, TX 78705

Your address(es) affected by this application

Abbey ames Signature

5/3/2022

Daytime Telephone: 713-444-0272

Comments: At this point in time, I have not received a call back from applicant to discuss my avestions & concerns. Therefore, if a decision must be made today instead of a postponed meeting, I object to the current proposal. Ultimately, I would strongly prefer they subdivide to an east ewest lot (to which I'd be more open to variance exemptions) as it would be visually similar to other lots on 38th St. Proposal of lot 2 (& inevitable construction) wand impact lange trees which would negatively impact privacy & aesthetics of neighborhood.

If you will be using this form to comment, please return it via e-mail

Elaine Ramirez; 512-974-2202

Scan & Email to: Elaine.Ramirez@austintexas.gov

From: Abbey Ames
To: Ramirez, Elaine

Subject: Request for delayed hearing; Reference File Name: C15-2022-0043 Address: 509 E 38th Street

Date: Thursday, May 05, 2022 1:46:14 PM

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Hi Elaine,

I am emailing about the following permit/case:

Permit/Case: 2022-000032 BA

Reference File Name: C15-2022-0043

Address: 509 E 38th Street

I would like to request a delayed hearing. I have tried to contact the applicant with questions I have regarding her exemption request. I have not heard back, so I do not believe I could give a well-informed opinion at the upcoming meeting about agreement/objection.

Can you let me know you received this? If there is anything else I need to do, please let me know.

Best,

Abbey Ames

508 Texas Ave. Austin, tx 78705

713-444-0272

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From: Sista Irie
To: Ramirez, Elaine

Cc: Subject:

Request for Postponement

Date: Thursday, May 05, 2022 3:39:52 PM

Attachments: city.pdf

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Hello Elaine,

Please find attached my copy of a request to postpone the hearing on May 9 regarding an Easement request for Lisa Gray at Red Door LLC. The property in question is at 509 E 38th Street and can be found by Case Number C15-2022-0043.

The request for postponement is being made because the neighbors closest to this property do not feel we have enough information to allow the request to be approved without us further understanding what it is they are proposing to build. There are young children who live right behind this house and long time home owners who greatly value the less density of our neighborhood, keeping the noise to a minimum and to not encourage additional traffic. People already cut through this very intersection to avoid the Duval light. Anything that will encourage more unnecessary residential traffic is a reduction in quality of life while our property taxes increase at a wildly out of control rate.

Please accept this form as my request for a postponement in an effort to allow the impacted neighbors to meet with the applicant in an effort to understand the reason for the request.

Warm regards,

Beverly Gould Show Radio host and producer, photojournalist Co-owner Majesty Media Publicity Texas Ave Homeowner since 1993. 512-619-1239

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