CITY OF AUSTIN Board of Adjustment Decision Sheet ITEM06

DATE: Monday September 11, 2023 CASE NUMBER: C15-2023-0026

Y_	Thomas Ates (D1)
	_VACANT (D2)
Y_	Jessica Cohen (D3)
Y_	Yung-ju Kim (D4)
Y_	Melissa Hawthorne (D5)
Y_	Jeffrey Bowen (D6)
Y_	Janel Venzant (D7)
	_Margaret Shahrestani (D8) OUT
Y_	Brian Poteet (D9)
Y_	Michael Von Ohlen (D10)
Y_	Marcel Gutierrez-Garza (M)
Y_	Kelly Blume (Alternate) (M)
	_Suzanne Valentine (Alternate) (M)
	VACANT (Alternate) (M)

APPLICANT: Perry Hunt

OWNER: Bilal Khan

ADDRESS: 15 MARGRANITA CRESCENT

VARIANCE REQUESTED: The applicant is requesting a variance(s) from the Land Development Code Subchapter F: Residential Design and Compatibility Standards, Article 2, Development Standards Section 2.1 (Maximum Development Permitted) to increase the F.A.R from 40% (required) to 42.61% (requested), in order to enclose the tandem carport and create a tandem garage to an existing single-family residence in an "SF-3-NP", Single-Family-Neighborhood Plan zoning district (WANG Neighborhood Plan)

BOARD'S DECISION: BOA MEETING JUNE 12, 2023 POSTPONED TO JULY 10, 2023 DUE TO NOTIFICATION ERROR; JULY 10, 2023 The public hearing was closed by Madam Chair Jessica Cohen, Board member Melissa Hawthorne motions to deny; Board member Michael Von Ohlen seconds; a substitute motion by Board member Janel Venzant motions to postpone to September 11, 2023, Madam Chair Jessica Cohen seconds on 8-2 votes (Board members Melissa Hawthorne and Michael Von Ohlen nay); POSTPONED TO SEPTEMBER 11, 2023. Sept 11, 2023 The public hearing was closed by Madam Chair Jessica Cohen, Board member Michael Von Ohlen motions to deny; Board member Jeffrey Bowen seconds on 10-0 votes; DENIED.

FINDING:

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

Elaine Ramirez

Executive Liaison

Diana Ramirez for

Jessica Cohen Madam Chair

BOA GENERAL REVIEW COVERSHEET RECONSIDERATION

CASE: C15-2023-0026 **BOA DATE:** October 9th, 2023

ADDRESS: 15 Margranita Cres COUNCIL DISTRICT:

OWNER: Bilal Khan AGENT: N/A

ZONING: SF-3-NP (WANG)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT 204 LESS E 18.37 FT TARRYTOWN OAKS

VARIANCE REQUEST: increase the F.A.R from 40% to 42.61%

SUMMARY: remodel to convert existing carport into a garage

ISSUES: drainage issues, FAR, & topography

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

NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS:

Austin Independent School District

Austin Lots and Found Pets

Austin Neighborhoods Council

Central West Austin Neighborhood Plan Contact Team

Friends of Austin Neighborhoods

Neighborhood Empowerment Foundation

Preservation Austin

SELTexas

Save Barton Creek Assn.

Save Historic Muny District

Sierra Club, Austin Regional Group

TNR BCP – Travis County Natural Resources

Tarrytown Alliance

Tarrytown Neighborhood Association

West Austin Neighborhood Group



Austin, Texas 77802

TEL:

September 21, 2023

David Long Project Manager – David Weekley Homes 9000 Waterford Centre Blvd. Austin, Texas 78758

Re: 15 Margranita Crescent Austin, Tx.

Mr. Long,

Per your request, I personally visited the referenced structure to evaluate the extent and nature of the ongoing water intrusion and ponding issue, previous repair attempts and suggested options in an effort to recommend a solution to resolve the situation. Based on my evaluation, and attendance at the September 11, 2023 Board of Adjustments meeting, I am presenting this letter relating to the recommended solution presented by the sitting board members for the existing construction deficiency issue at the referenced address.

Since our meeting with the City of Austin the attached diagrams and details have been prepared by the Architect of Record representing what we believe was the proposed solution discussed by the current Board Members during the September 11, 2023 meeting. That being, scarifying the surface of the existing foundation and adding a minimum 2" thick cap of cementitious material adhered to the newly scarified surface with the use of an epoxy-based adhesive. During the meeting, it was suggested by board members to extend the flashing from the wall to the underside of the newly placed 2" cementitious material. In addition, this method will require the use of flashing to transition from the wall to the surface of the newly placed cementitious surface.

This method although potentially useful, does not recognize the ongoing maintenance required to ensure water will not enter into the wall cavity and settle in and around the wall bottom plate creating long term decay of the wood framing members and associated mold growth.

The proposed solution, in our opinion will result in what would be consider substandard construction and a latent defect. The placement of flashing on the surface of the concrete will result in a raised section of flashing, posing a potential safety hazard. When cutting a groove in the cap, a weak point in the cap will then be created. It is likely that weak point will ultimately crack through to the existing slab, allowing water to wick into the space between the slabs, resulting in cap separation. The use of flashing is intended to shed water as opposed to damn water; thus, flashing placed in or under the cap will only result in wicking. In addition, flashing typically is available in lengths of 16' or less. The installation of a counter-sunk flashing with a non-sloping surface is a poor construction method. In regards to scarifying the surface of the existing foundation, an attempt by this method to place a turn-back flashing may result in damage to a post-tension cable.

In my opinion, adding perimeter walls and correctly flashing over the existing foundation edge could be reasonably, safely, and structurally accomplished as a truly viable method of completely mitigating any water entering this area.

Therefore, my recommendation to the Board of Adjustment remain the same and that a variance be granted, allowing the FAR to be increased to 42.61%, essentially allowing Mr.Khan to enclose his carport.

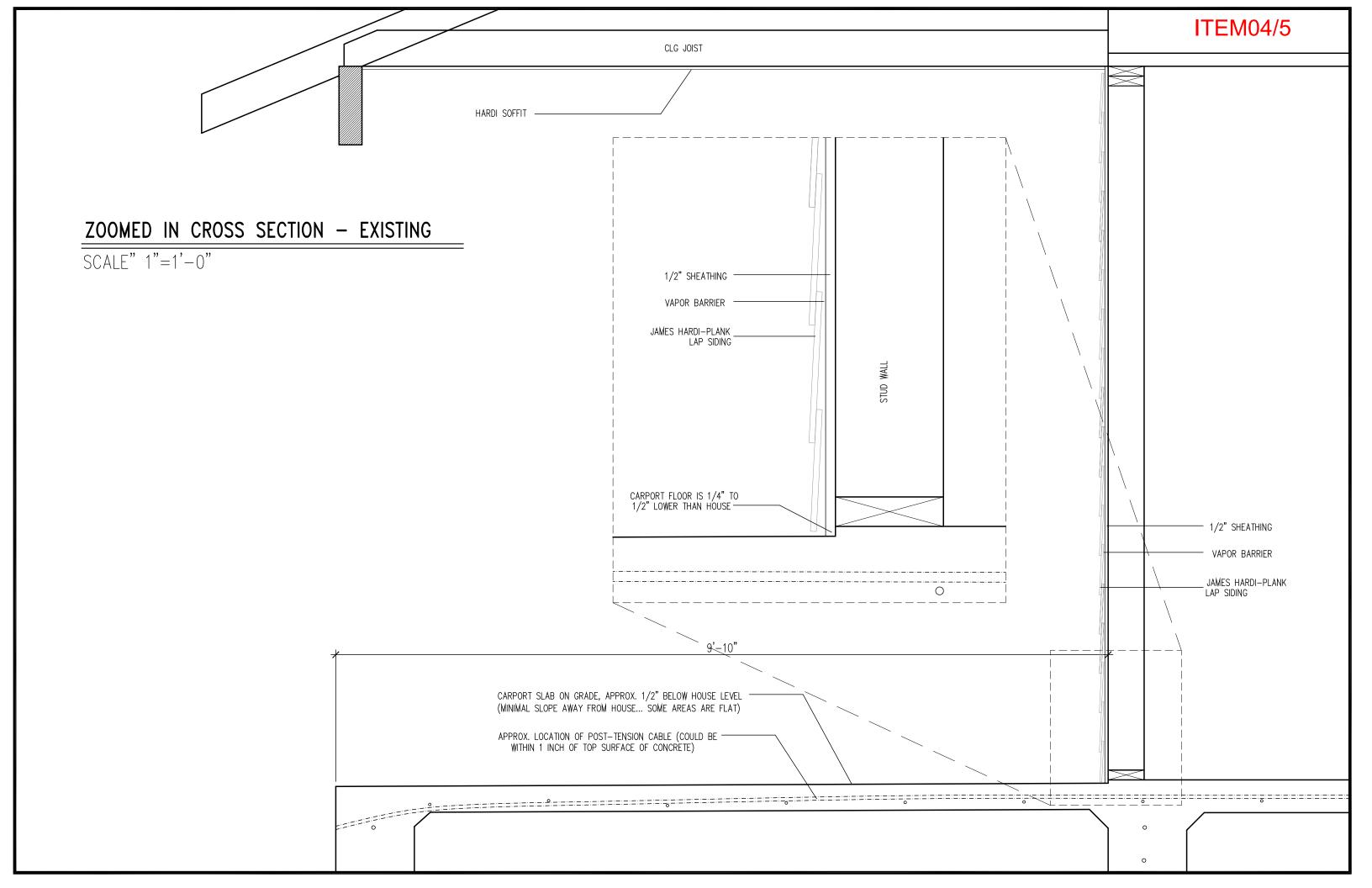
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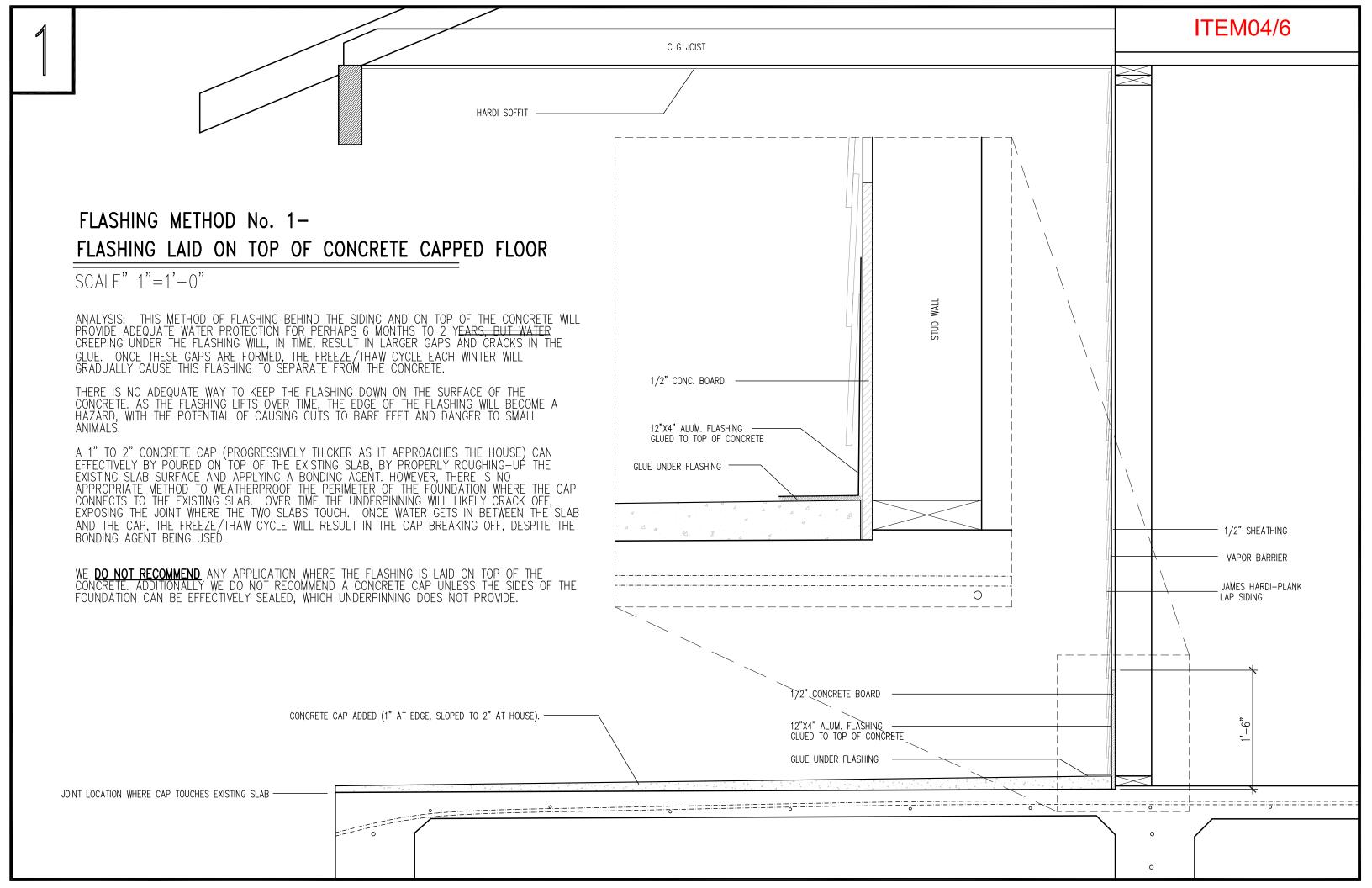
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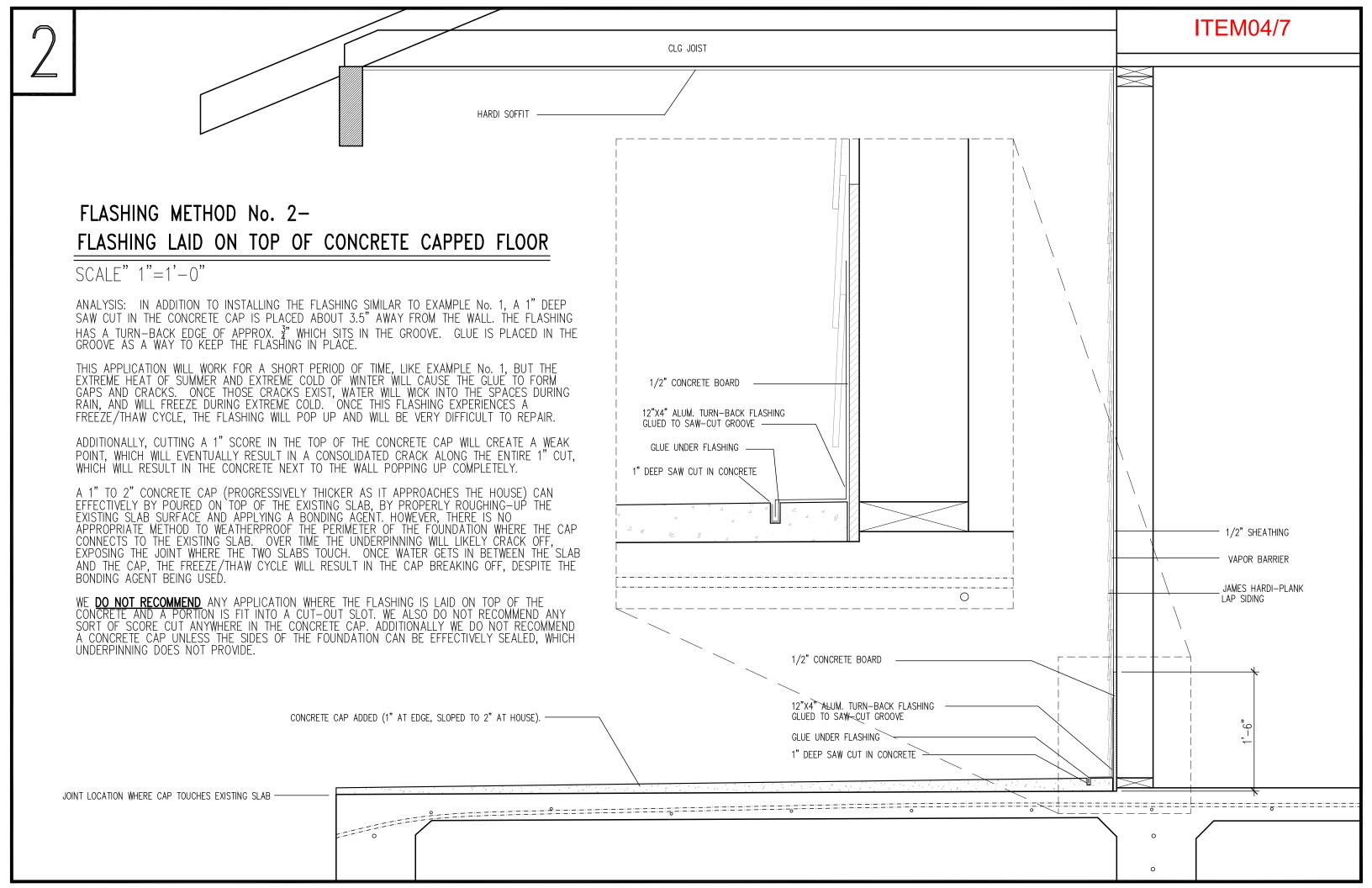
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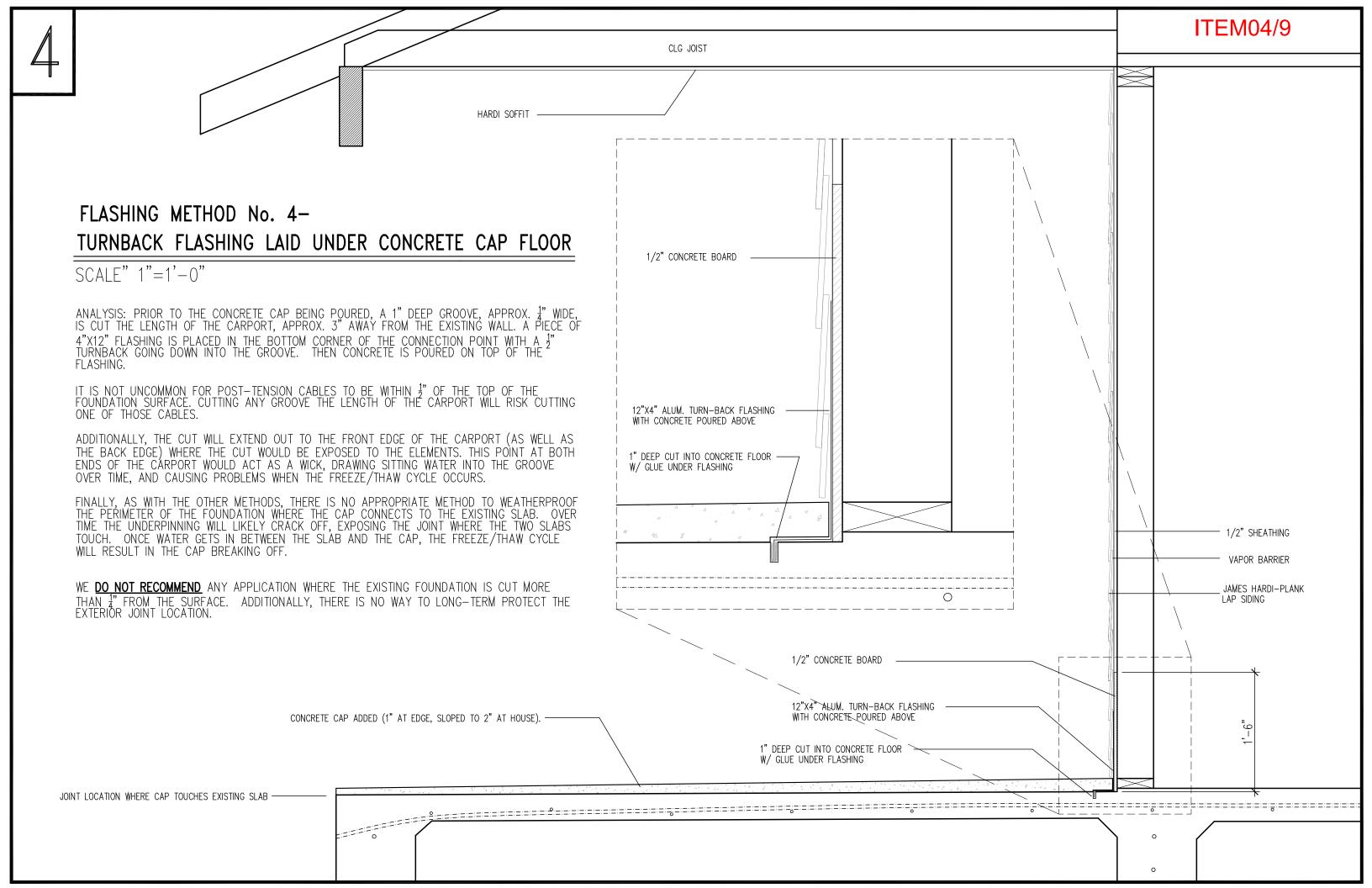
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From: Blake

To: Ramirez, Elaine
Cc: WANG ExCom

Subject: Fwd: C15-2023-0026; 15 Margranita Crescent Date: Wednesday, September 13, 2023 3:15:40 PM

Attachments: Kahn Document 09-12-2023.docx

15 Margranita WANG Oppo.rtf

External Email - Exercise Caution

Elaine and Members of the Board of Adjustment:

Attached below is the document I forwarded to Dr. Kahn along with the original email WANG submitted in opposition to the variance request at 15 Margranita Crescent. After consultation with the leadership of WANG, we believe the City should be on notice of the allegations that are contained in the email chain.

My regards,

Blake Tollett WANG

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Bilal Khan

Subject: Re: C15-2023-0026; 15 Margranita Crescent

Date: September 12, 2023 at 7:38:40 PM CDT

To: Blake

Mr. Tollett and WANG

I never said anything after your opposition originally. Never did I complain or emailed once.

Once I heard the comment "tear my house down" from you (true or not is another topic), it ignited me to figure out who WANG is.

I look through who WANG is. You hold so much power with the city of Austin

board members. They know who you are before you said anything and the city members had already made up their mind because of you. They welcomed you and held your opinion to a high standard than mine.

This is a BIASED decision by the city based on their personal interactions with you. That is against the law. This is favoring you over me.

I wonder if I take WANG organization though civil lawsuit and subpoena WANG members emails and phone records / texts and other interactions you have with city council members what will I find?

I am very familiar with the court systems and how to appeal through the judge and I may take that route and take the city in the court because of the biased judgement they made because of you and WANG.

It amazes me that you act that you care so much for this community yet not once you offered to come to my house and actually see why we can't do what city is saying. I am not doing anything to gain profit (as you implied) as I will be living here my whole life.

Your judgement is outdated and you are not changeable and the future of my community will change with time even if I lose.

Kind regards,

Bilal Khan

On Sep 12, 2023, at 5:56 PM, Blake wrote:

Dr Kahn,

Let's get on the same page here. As far as I can tell, you are not an active member of West Austin Neighborhood Group (WANG). WANG is a non-governmental opt-in organization and is not subject to disclosure requirements.

Out of courtesy to you I have gone back to documented reports that have been published by WANG in our annual newsletter over the last decade or so and have attached the below document for your information. I am not saying the document is complete, but it is complete to my knowledge.

I understand your disappointment in the unanimous decision from the Board of Adjustment to deny you requested variance. Beyond the the builder of your home, David Weekly Homes, I believe your redress to this decision is through the district court, but you will need to have that clarified by the City's Board of Adjustment Liaison. I have again included in this reply a copy of our email to the Board of Adjustment in opposition to your request for variance.

There is nothing else we can do for you. If you need further documentation of WANG interaction with the various city departments you will need to contact the city directly.

Blake Tollett WANG

On Sep 12, 2023, at 1:21 PM, Bilal Khan wrote:

To WANG group

I need your help to give me information for the last 10 years of variance similar to mine (FAR going about 40%) and carport to car garage conversion that were approved or denied by your group. If it is listed on USA government website at freedom of information Act (FOIA) then please tell me how to find it.

This is my official request.

Thank you Bilal Khan

On Aug 23, 2023, at 2:44 PM, Holly Reed wrote:

Dr. Khan,

On. July 6, the West Austin Neighborhood Group Board of Directors voted to oppose a variance request to increase the FAR (floor area ratio) from 40% to 42.61% at 15 Margranita Crescent. I have included the email which WANG sent to the Board of Adjustment on July 7th prior to their previously scheduled hearing.

The West Austin Neighborhood Group Board did not see there was a hardship in this case that warranted a variance to the City Code's maximum FAR, but rather an issue caused by faulty construction. However, it is up to the Board of Adjustment whether or not to grant this variance.

We sincerely hope that you and your builder will be able to work out a good solution to the problem moving forward.

Regards,

Holly Reed, President West Austin Neighborhood Group (WANG) President@WestAustinNG.com

Begin forwarded message:

From: Blake Tollett

Subject: C15-2023-0026; 15 Margranita

Crescent

Date: July 7, 2023 at 3:59:17 PM CDT

To: Elaine Ramirez

<<u>Elaine.Ramirez@austintexas.gov</u>>

Elaine Ramirez, Liaison Board of Adjustment City of Austin

RE: C15-2023-0026; 15 Margranita Crescent

Members of the Board of Adjustment:

The Executive Committee (ExComm) of West Austin Neighborhood Group (WANG) has voted electronically to oppose the above referenced variance request at 15 Margranita Crescent.

Our opposition is primarily focused on the allegations of hardship as presented in the

application. The size and topography of the building lot was known prior to design of the residence, and specific design considerations were made to conform with the known requirements of LDC Subchapter F. Specifically, in order to maximize FAR a tandem carport was chosen over an enclosed tandem garage. Carports by their very nature are open to the elements, but use of a carport rather than an enclosed garage was an informed decision. It is unfortunate that the drive under the carport was constructed to slope water towards the residence rather than away, and it is hoped that the applicant of the variance and the initial builder of the home, David Weekly Homes, will work with the home owner to find a resolution that will ameliorate at least some of the periodic flooding issues. Again, we see these hardships as self-imposed.

We also have concerns that allowing the carport to be enclosed after construction through the variance process, thus increasing the allowable FAR, does set a precedent for like situated residences.

A member of the neighborhood association will be in attendance at the hearing on Monday 10 July 2023.

Respectfully.

Blake Tollett, Land Matters West Austin Neighborhood Group PO Box 5722 Austin, Texas 78763 From: Blake Tollett

Subject: C15-2023-0026; 15 Margranita Crescent

Date: July 7, 2023 at 3:59:17 PM CDT

To: Elaine Ramirez < Elaine. Ramirez@austintexas.gov>

Bcc: WANG ExCom

Elaine Ramirez, Liaison Board of Adjustment City of Austin

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C15-2020-0001

809 Norwalk

Applicant/Owner: Todd O'Neill 512-923-5170

The applicant requested a variance from the LDC Subchapter F: Residential Design and Compatibility Standards (McMansion) to allow an attached parking area (carport) that does not meet the minimum parking requirement to be exempted from the gross Floor Area calculation for this site (160 s.f.) in order to complete an addition of a bedroom and carport in a SF-3-NP zoning district.

NOTE-The proposed carport is 12 feet deep and does not meet the definition of a parking space per the Transportation Criteria Manuel (TCM) that references a minimum size space as being 8.5 feet x 17 feet.

The BoA at public hearing on 5 February 2020 granted the variance requested at 809 Norwalk Lane.

C15-2018-0005 2605 W. 8th Street

Applicant/owner: Evan & Kristina Baehr (



The applicant has requested a variance from Subchapter F: Residential Design and Compatibility Standards (McMansion), to increase the maximum allowable floor to area ratio from 0.4 to 1.0 (required, permitted) to 0.44 to 1.0 (requested) in order to add a 37 square foot elevated hallway to connect the main portion of the home to an existing detached air condition living space previously built as an art studio located above a garage in an SF-3-NP zoning district.

Upon revisions by the applicants, the WANG BoD voted to not oppose the requested variance with the understanding that the applicants intend to remove the outside staircase to the upper garage habitable space and that they will not, subsequent to the granting of the requested variance, install an internal staircase within the garage to access the upper level. It was also noted by the WANG BoD that there appears to be no close by neighbor opposition to the requested variance.

The variance was granted upon the conditions requested by WANG.

C15-2015-0057

2900 Clearview Drive

Applicant: Jim Bennett

Owner: Lamar Clemons 5

The applicant had requested a variance from the Residential Design and Compatibility Standards (the McMansion ordinance) in order to increase the square footage from .4 to 1 Floor to Area Ration (FAR)

to .47 to 1 FAR (requested) in order to add 79 square feet to an existing residence with a .45 to 1 FAR in an SF-3-NP zoning district.

In 2006, the following variance was granted for this property:

C15-06-040

2900 Clearview Drive

Owner/Agent: Melissa and Shea Baker 322-2020

The applicant had requested a variance to decrease the minimum side yard setback requirement from 5 feet to 3.5 feet in order to erect a second story addition to an existing single-family residence.

The WANG BoD could not find consensus in this matter and voted to remain neutral on this request. We noticed the substantial 2006 variance request granted at this property, but this request was de minimis in nature and there was no close by neighbor opposition. The BoA granted the variance conditioned on the owner installing some sort of rain water harvesting system and that it be understood that no further variances will be given to the property.

C15-2015-0116 2005 Towers Drive

Applicant: Jim Bennett 5

Owner: Marth Atelia Clarkson

In order to construct an addition to an existing single-family home, the applicant has requested variances from the following Land Development code Sections:

25-2-492 (D) to decrease the side setback from 5 feet (required) to 0 feet (existing).

Increase the maximum impervious coverage from 45% (required/permitted) to 56.1% (requested, existing).

Increase the maximum permitted Floor-To-Area Ratio (FAR) from .4 to 1 (required/permitted) to .643 to 1 (requested, .494 to 1 existing).

To allow for a penetration of the side setback plane/building tent of 4 feet 6 inches vertically and 5 feet 6 inches horizontally.

Although this hearing will not go before the Board of Adjustment until 12 October, it is included as illustrative of why the variance process is in place. Originally there were two fairly equal side-by-side lots, one privately owned and one owned by the city and used as a drainage/flooding easement. In 1993 the City sold 1/2 of their lot to the Clarksons, the then owner of the adjacent lot, but the official consolidation of the now privately owned property through resubdivision is not being allowed because the remaining City owned lot would not be a legal lot. There is a duplex built on the original privately owned lot, and the property as it now sits is a legal but nonconforming use (the duplex was built prior to the passage of the McMansion ordinance among other LDC requirements). What has triggered the necessity for the variance requests is the desire by the owner, Lia Clarksons, to add additional habitable

space to the current existing structure. The applicant is now asking that through the variance process that the property should be viewed as a whole. On its face, this makes sense and would seem to be an appropriate use of the variance process to clean up the side setback incursion, the increase in allowable impervious coverage, the increase in maximum FAR, and the side setback plane/building tent incursions. In the application, it is stated that if the lot and a half were consolidated, the house as it exists would not need these variances. After initial discussion with the applicant and their representative, if the previous statement is correct then there will be no opposition from the WANG BoD.

MODIFCATION REQUESTS AT THE RESIDENTIAL DESIGN & COMPATABILITY COMMISSION

Case Number: 2013-09438RA

2404 Sharon Lane

Applicant: Caroline Porter 5

Owner: Charles Batey & Breann Bruton 5

Modification Requested: The applicant had requested a modification to allow a Floor to Area Ratio (FAR) increase from the maximum development permitted allowable of 40% to 45.45% to convert an existing attic space into an accessory apartment in a SF-3 zoning district.

NOTE: Floor to Area Ratio is the comparison of the gross floor area of a structure to the size of the lot on which the structure is located. For the purpose of the McMansion ordinance, a quick rule of thumb is gross floor area is equal to habitable space within the structure. For example, a 7,000 square foot lot would be limited to a structure of approximately 2,800 square feet.

The neighborhood association BoD voted to oppose this modification request due to its precedential nature. This structure was originally built-in compliance with the McMansion design guidelines and the attic space was not counted for FAR purposes because it was shown on the building plans to be non-habitable. Under these circumstances, when the after the fact conversion of an attic within an existing structure from non-habitable into habitable space requires a modification to the residential design compatibility guidelines, the WANG ExComm looks very closely at whether the intent of the ordinance was followed in the building plans originally submitted to the city for permit.

The RDCC disagreed with WANG's position of opposition and granted the requested modification on a unanimous vote. Although the Commission specifically recognized the neighborhood association's concerns, they cited the proximity of homes far above the currently maximum allowed FAR limit as well as the close by neighbor support as the basis of their decision. They did question the applicant closely about impervious coverage, parking and whether the apartment was necessary.

C15-2012-0124 3801 Stevenson

Applicant: Jim Bennett 5

Owner: Jack & Ann Swingler

The applicant requested a variance to decrease the minimum front street setback requirement from 25 feet to 5 feet in order to erect a carport for a single-family residence in an SF-3-NP zoning district.

The applicant requested a variance in order to erect a carport for a single-family residence in an SF-3-NP zoning district. The LDC (under the Central West Austin Neighborhood Plan) states that a parking structure with an entrance that faces the front yard may not be closer to the front lot line the building façade.

[NOTE: The owners of this structure had previously received a variance from LDC requirements from the BoA in 2004 and a modification to LDC requirements from the Residential Design Compatibility Commission (RDCC) in 2009.]

[C15-04-041 3801 Stevenson Avenue Jack and Ann Swingler, owners, (Tina Contros, agent, 371-3175

The applicant had requested a variance to decrease the minimum front street setback requirement from 25 feet to 12 feet 3 inches in order to erect an addition to a single-family residence in an SF-3 zoning district.

In 2004 the BoA granted an amended variance that contained the language we requested, to wit:

"After discussion with the applicant, and contingent upon the following modifications and conditions of the proposed variance request:

That the proposed incursion into the front yard setback be no greater than 7 feet six inches; that the incursion be specified for the garage only; and that the incursion be a single-story structure, the ExComm of WANG voted 9 to 4 to lift their previously stated opposition to the variance request."]

[Case Number: 08-072080RA 3801 Stevenson Avenue Applicant: Tina Contros Owner: Ann & Jack Swingler 4

The applicant had requested a modification to allow an FAR (Floor To Area Ratio) increase from the maximum development permitted from the allowable 40% (3007.6 square feet) to 45.79% (3443.5 square feet) in order to enclose an existing second story uncovered roof deck to create a study and a closet.

In 2009 the RDCC granted the requested modification and a restrictive covenant was placed on the deed, the relevant language being:

"The part of the Residence configured as a one-story garage on the date of this instrument will continue to be that of a one-story garage unless and until this restrictive covenant is amended, modified or terminated as herein provided."

Considering these two previous increases in development entitlements the WANG Board asked that the BoA deny this third variance request from or modification to the LDC requirements and the BoA did so deny the requests.

MODIFCATION REQUESTS AT THE RDCC

Case Number: 2012-120342RM 2200 Mountainview Road

Applicant: William Hablinski, AIA 310-600-6940

Owner: Georgia Leonard

The applicant had requested a modification to allow a FAR increase from the maximum development permitted of 40% (3,480.5 s.f.) to 48% (4,199 s.f.) in order to relocate mechanical equipment to an existing attic space in a single-family (SF-3-NP) zoning district.

The WANG BoD voted electronically to oppose this modification request. This was a new construction, and if the modification had been sought prior to construction, the BoD was not convinced that such a large modification to the LDC would have been justified. The lot contains 8,700 s.f. that would allow a more than modest home of 3,480 s.f. at the LDC maximum FAR of 40%. The as built structure does not necessarily speak to compatibility with close by residences, something the RDCC looks to in granting modification requests, and there was substantial close by neighbor opposition to the modification request.

The main foundation of the applicant's request for modification after the structure has been built is that the City erred in releasing the building permit because the City Staff reviewer should have seen from the plans submitted that the applicant, the project's architect, had miscalculated the FAR. The applicant has also stated that the City's inspectors had passed the building layout and other preliminary inspections and that the miscalculation only came to light on framing inspection. The WANG BoD did not feel it was in the position to determine whether the original building permit application was sufficient for a reviewer to have detected the miscalculation of allowable FAR or even whether that would have been the reviewer's responsibility.

The Residential Design Compatibility Commission voted to deny the modification request.

Case Number: 2012-127211R

Applicant: Kari Blatchly 5 Owner: Melissa Ann Jones 3210 Stevenson Avenue

The applicant has requested a modification to allow an articulation increase from the maximum development permitted in the LDC; from the allowable sidewall articulation requirement not to

extend in an unbroken plane for more than 36 feet-to extend the exterior wall 39 feet to build a new two-story single-family residence.

The applicant has requested a modification to allow a Floor-To Area (FAR) increase from the maximum development permitted in the LDC; from the allowable maximum of 40% (2,785 s.f.) to 44.8% (3,125 s.f.) in order to build a new two story single-family residence.

After review, the WANG BoD voted electronically to oppose the requested modifications. Our objection was based primarily on the overarching fact that the property in question was a cleared lot and a home could be designed and constructed, albeit on a smaller scale, within the parameters of the Land Development Code. This modification request was denied by the RDCC.

C15-2012-0015 1603 Raleigh Avenue

Applicant: Mike Brown

The applicant requested a variance to increase the maximum impervious coverage requirement from 45% (69% existing) to 62% in order to remove portions of driveway and sidewalk and erect a carport for a single-family residence in an SF-3-NP zoning district.

This application reflects a current property owner having to deal with a previous owner's non-permitted construction that has left the property in non-compliance with the Land Development Code. The WANG BoD was sympathetic with the applicant but asked them to continue exploring ways to bring the impervious coverage down. At the BoA hearing, the applicant stated that they were going to use a ribbon rather than a solid driveway and with that change had reduced the impervious cover overage request down to 54%. With that provision and an agreement to keep the carport open on three sides the variance was granted.

C15-2012-0072

Applicant: Amir A. Moazami 5

Owner: Moazami Endeavors, LLC

Address: 2100 Elton Lane

The applicant requested a variance to increase the maximum floor-to-area ratio (FAR) of Subchapter F; Article 2; Subsection 2.1 from 0.4 to 1.0 to 0.47 to 1.0 in order maintain a single family residence and detached garage in an "SF-3-NP", Single-Family Residence – Neighborhood Plan zoning district (Central West Austin Neighborhood Plan).

The applicant requested a variance from Section 25-2-1604 (C) (1) in order to maintain a parking structure with an entrance that faces the front yard to be closer to the front lot line than the building façade of the principal structure in an "SF-3-NP", Family Residence – Neighborhood Plan zoning district (Central West Austin Neighborhood Plan). The Land Development Code states that a parking structure with an entrance that faces the front yard may not be closer to the front lot line than the building façade of the principal structure.

These variance requests came before a specially called meeting of the BoA. There were two City of Austin permitting errors here. The WANG BoD decided that in the interest in fairness the neighborhood plan requirement that street-front loaded garages need to be located along or behind the home's front façade is a fairly new neighborhood specific requirement and the builder's reliance on the permit application reviewer's knowledge should be allowed. The WANG BoD viewed the FAR variance request somewhat differently. The City reviewer should not have allowed the 450 square foot exemption from the FAR calculation because this detached parking structure is not to the rear of the property. On the other hand, this placement requirement for exemption is specifically set out in the McMansion ordinance, the ordinance has been in effect for 6 years now, and this builder is a seasoned developer in neighborhoods subject to the ordinance. The WANG BoD noted very strong and overwhelming opposition to the requests from nearby neighbors and asked the BoA to require that the carport, if allowed, to remain unenclosed and open on two sides thereby not counting towards the FAR calculation. After extended testimony from all parties, a variance was granted to allow the parking structure to be retained in the front yard contra to the adopted neighborhood plan, but the structure must be an all sides open carport rather than a partially or totally enclosed garage thus eliminating the need for a FAR variance.

MODIFCATION REQUESTS AT THE RDCC

Case Number: 2012-017858R

1809 Schulle Avenue

Owner/Applicant: Ryan Vinson 7

The applicant requested a modification to allow an increase in Floor to Area Ratio (FAR) from the maximum development allowed of 40% (2730 s.f.) to 46.8% (3188 s.f.) for new construction of a two story single family residence in a SF-3-NP zoning district.

This was a somewhat confusing case in that how the City Planning Review staff interpreted the McMansion ordinance reference to habitable attic space changed two and a half months prior to the applicant's submittal of their building plan for review. Reliance on the previous interpretation might have been a sufficient basis for the modification request if the application had been submitted closer to the interpretation change, but the commission rejected that argument. The WANG BoD voted to oppose the modification request due to the property being undeveloped and there being overwhelming neighbor opposition, and after a hearing before the RDCC the applicant withdrew their request for modification.

Case Number: 2012-036829PR

1807 Stamford Lane

Applicant: Eleanor F. Reshetnikov 5

Owner: Richard & Andrea Stovall 4

Modification Requested: The applicant has requested a modification to allow a FAR increase from the maximum development permitted by the Land Development Code (LDC) from the allowable 40% (4425.6 s.f.) to 48.2% (5335 s.f.) to build a detached single-story accessory structure (bathroom/storage) in a SF-3 zoning district.

This home was built prior to the McMansion ordinance and has an existing FAR in excess of .47. The applicant wanted to build a 132 s.f. detached unconditioned but enclosed and roofed single story bathroom and storage accessory structure for the convenience of those using the existing pool. The neighbors to the immediate south and north supported the modification request, but there were some nearby neighbors in opposition. WANG's BoD position was to not oppose conditioned on the accessory structure remaining unconditioned and the applicants agreed to this condition. The RDCC was not convinced of the justification for the modification and denied the request. The applicants appealed this denial to the City Council and the modification was granted.

Case Number: 09-127345PR

3311 Clearview Owner: 8

Applicant: Jay Corder 4

The applicant had requested a modification to allow a F.A.R. (Floor-To-Area Ratio) increase from the maximum development permitted in the LDC from the allowable 40% (2730 square feet) to 42.8% (2922 square feet) on order to build a new two story single-family residence with attached garage. The additional modification request is 192 square feet.

A previous owner of this tract in 2008 had sought an 8% increase in the F.A.R. (to a F.A.R. of approximately 43 + %), and that request was granted.

The WANG Board opposed the original and also the more recent request of an increase in the F.A.R., as this was a clear lot and the applicant and the property owner both were aware of developmental limitations imposed by the LDC. At this hearing, there was a misunderstanding of the initial vote process between the Commission and City Staff and the request for modification was denied. Subsequently to the hearing, City Staff administratively overturned the RDCC determination without notice to interested parties, specifically the neighbors or the neighborhood association.

Case Number: 10-055014PR

2318 W 8th Street # B (a.k.a. 803 Possum Trot)

Applicant: John Hallock (Dick Clark Architecture) 4

Owner: Kristi & Eric Wilkerson

The applicant had requested a modification to allow a F.A.R (floor to area ratio) increase from the maximum development permitted in the LDC of 40% (2656.8 square feet) to 46.7% (3107 square feet) to allow an existing detached garage apartment to remain at its current location.

(NOTE: In communicating with Sylvia Benavides, the City liaison to the RDCC, the true figures of the request are 2856.8 square feet allowable and 3107 square feet requested-250 square feet difference)

The WANG Board felt that the applicant and property owner had made decisions after construction permits were issued that resulted in the requested modification to the LDC and therefore opposed the request. The Residential Design Compatibility Commission was persuaded otherwise and the modification requested was granted.

Case Number: 2011-052329RM

3508 Clearview Drive

Applicant: Fred Hubnik

Owner: Michael McGowan & Lucy Price 6

Modification Requested: The applicant had requested a modification to allow a F.A.R. increase from the maximum development permitted by the Land Development Code (LDC) from the allowable 40% (3316 s.f.) to 45.6% (3786 s.f.) to convert an existing detached garage into a pool house/storage area in an SF-3 zoning district.

The WANG Board opposition to this request was based on the fact that the original building permit for this structure, issued under the current design guidelines, placed the maximum allowed habitable space in the main house. This requested modification, if permitted, would have converted the existing non-habitable garage to potential living space. We felt this request was contra to the purpose of the ordinance, the Commission agreed, and the requested modifications were denied.

CITY OF AUSTIN Board of Adjustment Decision Sheet ITEM05

DATE: Monday July 10, 2023 CASE NUMBER: C15-2023-0026

Y	Thomas Ates
Y	Jessica Cohen
N	Melissa Hawthorne
Y	Brian Poteet
Y	Marcel Gutierrez-Garza
Y	Margaret Shahrestani
Y	Richard Smith
Y	Janel Venzant
N	Michael Von Ohlen
	_Nicholl Wade
	_Kelly Blume (Alternate)
	_Carrie Waller (Alternate)
Y	Suzanne Valentine (Alternate)

APPLICANT: Perry Hunt

OWNER: Bilal Khan

ADDRESS: 15 MARGRANITA CRESCENT

VARIANCE REQUESTED: The applicant is requesting a variance(s) from the Land Development Code Subchapter F: Residential Design and Compatibility Standards, Article 2, Development Standards Section 2.1 (Maximum Development Permitted) to increase the F.A.R from 40% (required) to 42.61% (requested), in order to enclose the tandem carport and create a tandem garage to an existing single-family residence in an "SF-3-NP", Single-Family-Neighborhood Plan zoning district (WANG Neighborhood Plan)

BOARD'S DECISION: BOA MEETING JUNE 12, 2023 POSTPONED TO JULY 10, 2023 DUE TO NOTIFICATION ERROR; JULY 10, 2023 The public hearing was closed by Madam Chair Jessica Cohen, Board member Melissa Hawthorne motions to deny; Board member Michael Von Ohlen seconds; a substitute motion by Board member Janel Venzant motions to postpone to September 11, 2023, Madam Chair Jessica Cohen seconds on 8-2 votes (Board members Melissa Hawthorne and Michael Von Ohlen nay); POSTPONED TO SEPTEMBER 11, 2023.

FINDING:

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

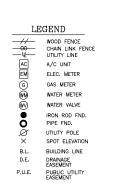
- 2. (a) The hardship for which the variance is requested is unique to the property in that:
 - (b) The hardship is not general to the area in which the property is located because:
- 3. The variance will not alter the character of the area adjacent to the property, will not impair the use of adjacent 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

Jessica Cohen Madam Chair

Diana A. Ramirez for

MOPAC BOULEVARD



*LOT 204, SAVE AND EXCEPT THAT PORTION CONVEYED TO THE CITY OF AUSTIN BY DEED RECORDED IN VOLUME 4123, PG. 1990, DEED RECORDS, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS

LOT No.	*	BLOCK "-"	SUBDIVISION / ADDIT	TION TARRYTOWN OAKS
SECTION		PHASE	Book Volume 4	Page(s) 146-147 Cabinet - PLAT RECORDS
	TRAVIS	COUNTY, TEXAS	Document No.	 Official Public Records of County, Texas
CITY	AUSTI	N	Reference:	BILAL N. KHAN

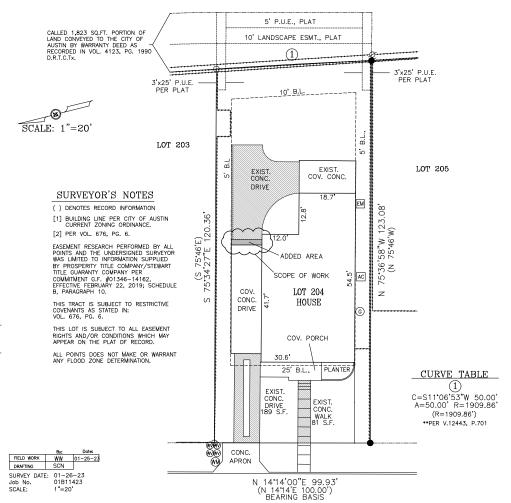
TO THE LIENHOLDERS AND/OR OWNERS OF THE PREMISES AND/OR PROSPERITY TITLE COMPANY/STEWART TITLE GUARANTY COMPANY
The undersigned certifies that this survey was this day mode by me or under my supervision on the ground of the real property shown on the survey and after the exercise of reasonable care and in reliance on to the real properly shown of the surery and other the exercise of reasonable code and in relative or record searches by the title company that this survey is correct to the best of the undersigneds knowledge and belief and that the property has access to and from a roadway, except as shown hereon. There are no visible discrepancies, conflicts, shortages or overlapping of improvements or encroachments except as shown



ALL POINTS SURVEYING

1714 FORTVIEW ROAD - SUITE 200 AUSTIN TX. 78704

TELE.: (512) 440-0071 - FAX: (512) 440-0199 FIRM REGISTRATION # 10118900



15 MARGRANITA CRESCENT (VARIABLE WIDTH R.O.W.)

David Weekley Homes

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CITY OF AUSTIN ORIGINAL PERMITTED CALCULATIONS

PERMITTED CALCULATIONS					
CITY OF AUSTIN MAX ALLOWED	F,A.R.		BLDG COVERAGE	GROSS	MARKETING
MAX ALLOWED	.40	45.0%	40.0%		
FLOOR 1 LIVING	1483	1483	1483	1483	1483
FLOOR 2 LIVING	950			950	842
TOTAL	2433			2433	2325
F. PORCH		110	110	110	
R. PORCHES		202	202	202	
CARPORT	0 *	345	345	345	
SLAB		2140	2140		
STEPS		13			
DRIVEWAY		566			
SIDEWALK		4			
A/C PADS		9			
TOTAL AREA	2433	2732	2140		
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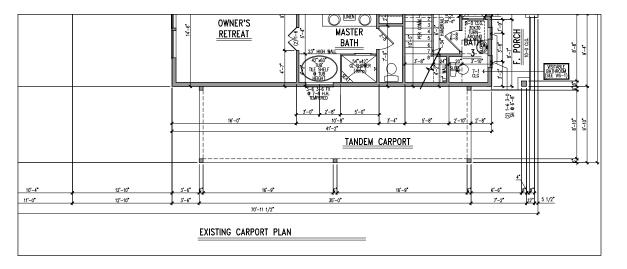
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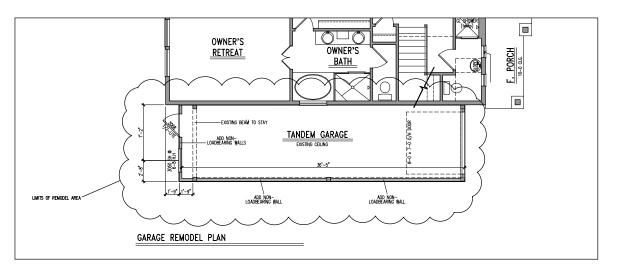
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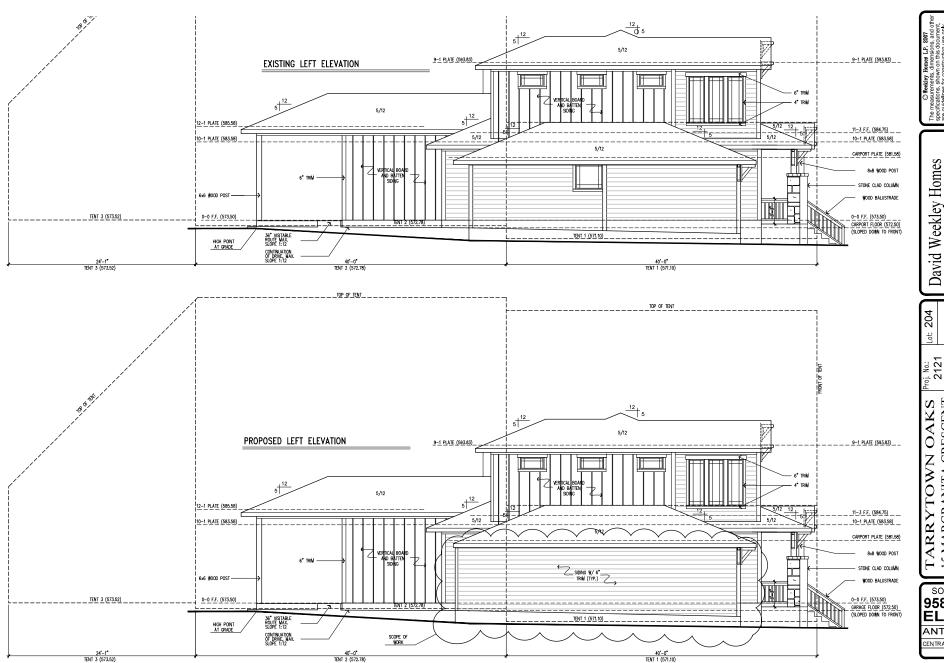
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GARAGE	163 *	363	363	363	
SLAB		2158	2158		
DRIVEWAY		650			
SIDEWALK		81			
A/C PADS		9			
TOTAL AREA	2596	2898	2158		
LOT AREA	6092.8	6092.8	6092.8	6092.8	
FINAL CALCULATION	.4261	47.56%	35.42%		

*GARAGE AREA IS REDUCED BY UP TO 200 SF PER SECTION 3.3.2.B OF THE COMPATIBILITY STANDARDS.

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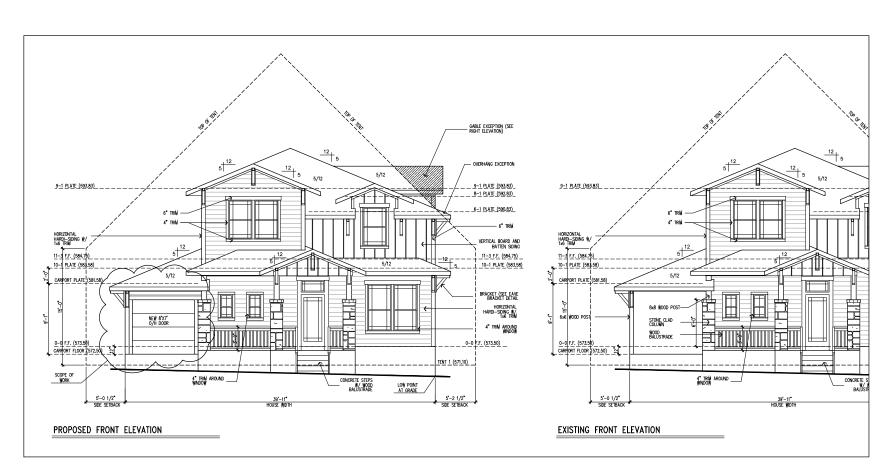


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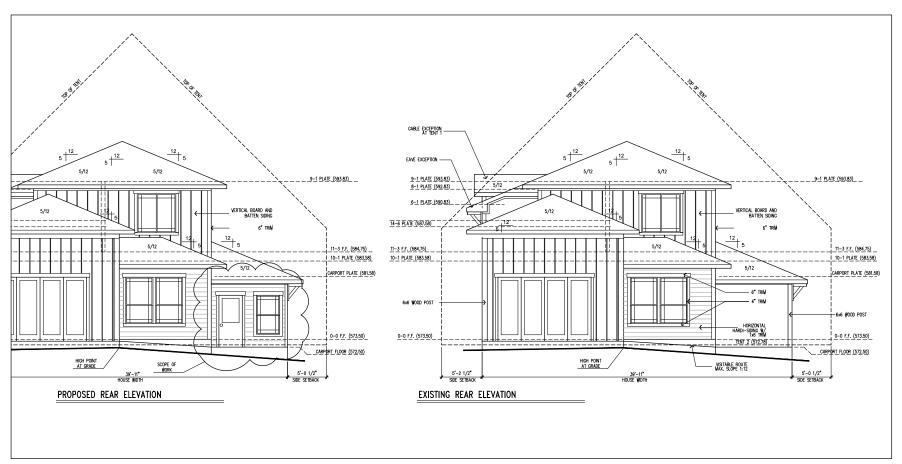
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15 MARGRANITA CRESCENT AUSTIN, TX 78703 TARRYTOWN OAKS

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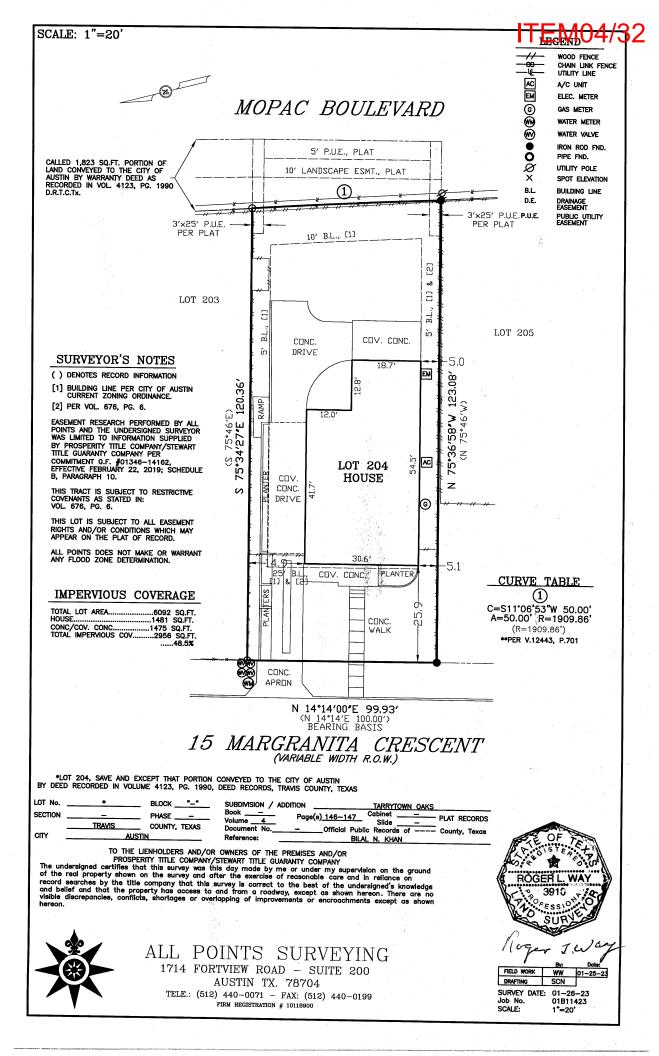
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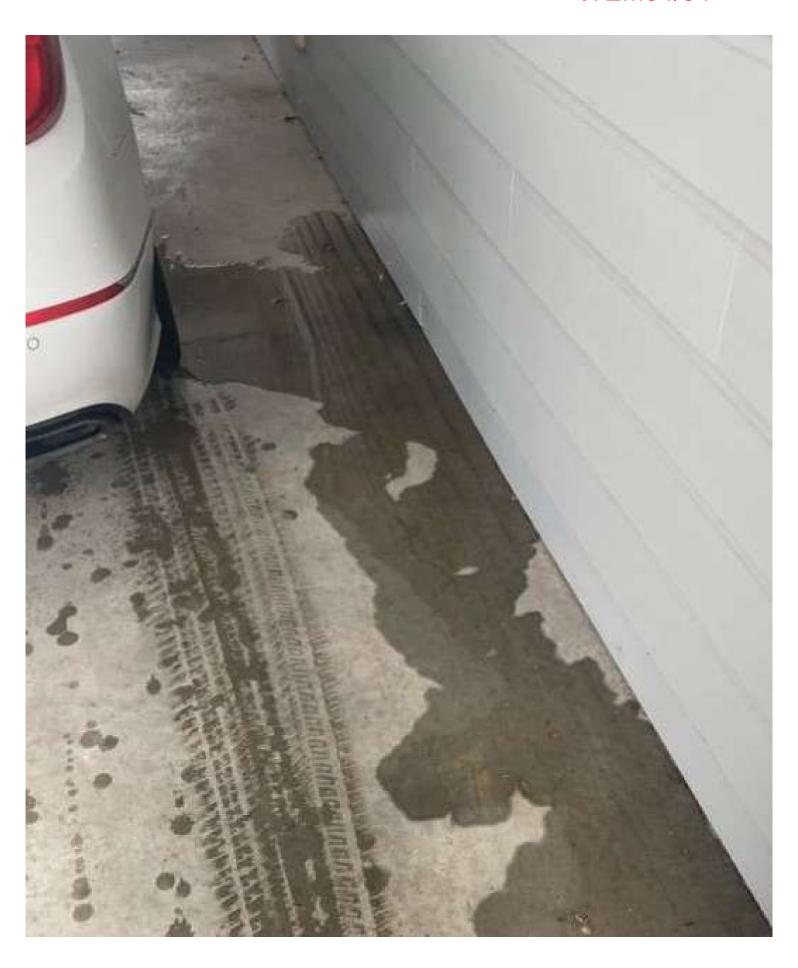
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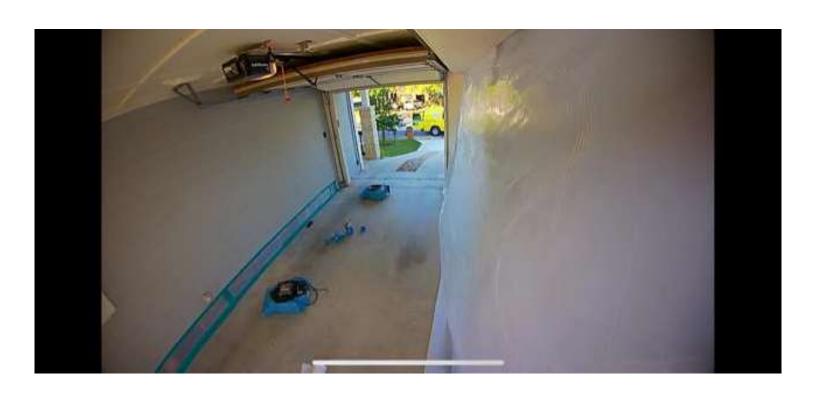
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August 22, 2023

ITEM04/39
NOREX
ENGINEERING, INC.
2401 E. 6th Street - Unit 35
Austin, Texas 77802

David Long
Project Manager – David Weekley Homes
9000 Waterford Centre Blvd.
Austin, Texas 78758

Re: 15 Margranita Crescent, Austin, Tx - Variance submittal due to foundation.

Mr. Long,

Per your request, I personally visited the referenced structure to evaluate the extent and nature of the ongoing water intrusion and ponding issue, previous repair attempts and suggested options in an effort to recommend a solution to resolve the situation. Based on my evaluation, I am presenting via letter our recommended and currently only reasonable and viable correction for the existing water intrusion and ponding issue at the referenced address.

We have taken the time to watch the last board hearing on July 10th 2023 and will address proposed corrections that were presented via several of the sitting Board Members.

One proposed solution involved chipping the existing slab foundation down to a level where it could be capped with concrete while adding flashing. Although at its face this appears to be reasonable solution for a foundation stiffened with rebar, it is my opinion that this is not a viable long-term structural fix for this foundation type. Based on our evaluation of the existing foundation, we do not believe that this correction option is viable for several reasons, one of which is that this original foundation was designed without a drop of 1.5" at the wall to carport interface, which normally would have mitigated any water intrusion issues.

This in our opinion has created a latent defect in the design which a chip and flash approach would not correct as the flashing would have to be sealed to the slab with a sealer where ongoing maintenance would be required to prevent the water from finding its way under the flashing.

Unfortunately, and more importantly, due to the nature of the post-tensioned foundation, the post tensioned structural cables are placed within 2" below the surface, while capping a foundation requires a minimum of 2" of depth along with the necessary fall to the outside edge of the foundation, of an additional $1" - 1\frac{1}{2}"$ for a total of $3 - 3\frac{1}{2}"$ of chip depth. Thus, requiring the cables to be lowered in both directions, structurally compromising the foundation design as the depth of concrete removal, at the perimeter would require approximately 6" of concrete removal. As a result, all of the existing foundation cables would need to be detensioned to safely chip and this could potentially cause damage to the entire foundation. This chipping and replacement also will create a cold joint in the foundation that while that might be ok for nonstructural areas — it does create issues for a load bearing foundation.

In my opinion, adding perimeter walls and correctly flashing over the existing foundation edge could be reasonably, safely and structurally accomplished as a truly viable method of completely mitigating any water entering this area.

Therefore, it is my recommendation to the Board of Adjustment that a variance is granted, allowing the FAR to be increased to 42.61%, essentially allowing Mr. Khan to enclose his carport.

Sincerely,

08/25/2023 9:56:25 AM

Michael T. Scanlon, P.E.

President

Norex Engineering, Inc.

Hunt, Perry

From: Bilal Khan <bilalnk@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2023 12:06 PM

To: Long, David; Knape, Carlton; Hunt, Perry; Bilal Khan

Subject: Neighbor letter

Begin forwarded message:

From: David Schmidt <schmidt_dg@hotmail.com>

Date: August 22, 2023 at 11:50:35 AM CDT **To:** Bilal Khan

Silal Khan

Bilal Khan

Subject: Re: Bilal - Neighbor - presentation attached

Bilal,

I have reviewed your request for variance with the City of Austin.

It is perfectly acceptable to me and my wife Fran for you to add walls to your carport on the North and East side to eliminate the rain hazard and damage that you have repetitively experienced.

Our understanding is that the wall materials, windows and colors will match the existing house at 15 Margranita Crescent.

David Schmidt

17 Margranita Crescent

From: Bilal Khan <bilalnk@hotmail.com> Sent: Friday, August 18, 2023 8:27 PM

To: Schmidt_DG@hotmail.com <Schmidt_DG@hotmail.com>

Subject: Bilal - Neighbor - presentation attached

This email originated from a non David Weekley Homes email address

CITY OF AUSTIN Board of Adjustment Decision Sheet ITEM05

DATE: Monday June 12, 2023 CASE NUMBER: C15-2023-0026

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BOARD'S DECISION: BOA MEETING JUNE 12, 2023 POSTPONED TO JULY 10, 2023 DUE TO NOTIFICATION ERROR

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:

for

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 Jessica Cohen Madam Chair

Diana A. Ramirez



BOA GENERAL REVIEW COVERSHEET

CASE: C15-2023-0026 **BOA DATE**: June 12th, 2023

ADDRESS: 15 Margranita Cres **COUNCIL DISTRICT**:

OWNER: Bilal Khan AGENT: N/A

ZONING: SF-3-NP (WANG)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT 204 LESS E 18.37 FT TARRYTOWN OAKS

VARIANCE REQUEST: increase the F.A.R from 40% to 42.61%

SUMMARY: remodel to convert existing carport into a garage

ISSUES: drainage issues, FAR, & topography

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

NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS:

Austin Independent School District

Austin Lots and Found Pets

Austin Neighborhoods Council

Central West Austin Neighborhood Plan Contact Team

Friends of Austin Neighborhoods

Neighborhood Empowerment Foundation

Preservation Austin

SELTexas

Save Barton Creek Assn.

Save Historic Muny District

Sierra Club, Austin Regional Group

TNR BCP – Travis County Natural Resources

Tarrytown Alliance

Tarrytown Neighborhood Association

West Austin Neighborhood Group



David Weekley Homes 9000 Waterford Centre Blvd Austin, TX 78758

Property Description: LOT 204 LESS E 18.37 FT TARRYTOWN OAKS

Re: C15-2023-0026

Dear Perry,

Austin Energy (AE) has reviewed your application for the above referenced property, requesting that the Board of Adjustment consider a variance request from LDC Section 25-2, Subchapter F, Section 2.1 at 15 Margranita Crescent.

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
Cody.Shook@austinenergy.com



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 # _	C15-2023-002	ROW # _	13131075	Tax #	011702	20230
Section	n 1: Applican	t Statement				
Street Add	ess: 15 Margra	nita Crescent Au	ıstin, TX 78703	3		
	Legal Description 14 LESS E 18.37		VN OAKS			
Lot(s):			Bloo	ck(s):		
Outlot:			Divi	sion:		
Zoning Dist	rict: SF-3-NP	(WANG)		Osman).	Counc	il District: 10
I/We <u>David</u>	l Weekley Home	\$		on be	ehalf of myse	lf/ourselves as
authoriz	ed agent for <u>Bil</u>	al Khan				affirm that on
Month	March 🔻	, Day 23 ▼	, Year 2023	, hereby ap	ply for a hea	iring before the
Board o	f Adjustment for	consideration to	(select approp	riate option bel	ow):	
O Erect	O Attach	O Complete	Remodel	O Maintain	Other:	
Type of	Structure: Conv	ert a 345 square	e foot carport in	nto a 363 square	e foot tanden	n garage.



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

Land Development Code Section 25-2 - Subchapter F - 2.1 (Maximum Development Permitted) to increase Floor to Area Ratio from 40% (required) to 42.61% (requested) in order to enclose the tandem carport

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.

COI	ntend that my entitlement to the requested variance is based on the following findings:							
Rea	asonable Use							
The	ne zoning regulations applicable to the property do not allow for a reasonable use because:							
	The zoning regulations applicable to the property do not allow a reasonable use because due							
	to the size of the lot, Floor to Area restrictions and topography of the lot we were not able to							
	build a garage initially. It is not reasonable to keep it as a carport, as the house keeps flooding							
	and water keeps pooling in the carport and creating a safety issue for my family.							
Har	dship							
	a) The hardship for which the variance is requested is unique to the property in that:							
	The hardship of the drainage issues, FAR and topo are creating a safety issue and damaging							
	our home is unique in the fact that our lot is 6092.8 SF, and the home is 2433 SF + a 345 SF							
	carport put us at 39% of FAR - we were able to qualify for the 450 SF exemption for the carport							
	to keep us under 40% FAR. Had we built a garage we would have only qualified for the 200 SF							
	exemption, and it would have put us at 42.31% FAR and over the allowable amount.							
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t	The hardship is not general to the area in which the property is located because:							
k	The hardship is not general to the area because of the unique issues of the lot with regard to							
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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:

The variance will not alter the character of the area adjacent to the property, as it will look like a common 1-car garage door, set back from the front facade of the house. Additionally, it will not impair any adjacent or nearby properties, not the purpose of the regulations in the zoning district, because the ground impact and impervious cover is not being increased, the roof is staying the same area.

Parking (additional criteria for parking variances only)

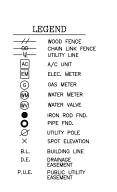
Request for a parking variance requires the Board to make additional findings. The Board may grant a variance to a regulation prescribed in the City of Austin Land Development Code Chapter 25-6, Appendix A with respect to the number of off-street parking spaces or loading facilities required if it makes 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 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:
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Section 3: Applicant Certificate

I affirm that my statements contained in the complete a my knowledge and belief.	pplication are true an	d correct to the best of
Applicant Signature:		Date:
Applicant Name (typed or printed): David Weekley Hor		
Applicant Mailing Address: 9000 Waterford Centre Blvd		
City: Austin		Zip: 78758
Phone (will be public information): (512) 821-8831		
Email (optional – will be public information):		
Section 4: Owner Certificate		
I affirm that my statements contained in the complete a my knowledge and belief.	pplication are true an	d correct to the best of
Owner Signature:		Date:
Owner Name (typed or printed): Bilal Khan		
Owner Mailing Address: 15 Margranita Crescent	The second secon	
City: Austin	State: TX	Zip: 78703
Phone (will be public information): (480) 652-5144		
Email (optional – will be public information):		
Section 5: Agent Information		
Agent Name: Perry Hunt		
Agent Mailing Address: 9000 Waterford Centre Blvd		
City: Austin	State: TX	Zip: 78758
Phone (will be public information): (512) 821-8831		
Email (optional – will be public information):		
Section 6: Additional Space (if applicab	le)	
Please use the space below to provide additional information referenced to the proper item, include the Section and I		

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CITY	AUSTI	N	Reference: _	BILAL N. KHAN	_

TO THE LIENHOLDERS AND/OR OWNERS OF THE PREMISES AND/OR PROSPERITY TITLE COMPANY/STEWART TITLE GUARANTY COMPANY

The undersigned certifies that this survey was this day made by me or under my supervision on the ground of the real property shown on the survey and offer the exercise of reasonable care and in reliance on record searches by the title company that this survey is correct to the best of the undersigned's knowledge and bellef and that the property has access to and from a roadway, except as shown hereon. There are no visible discrepancies, conflicts, shortages or overlapping of improvements or encroachments except as shown hereon.



ALL POINTS SURVEYING

1714 FORTVIEW ROAD - SUITE 200 AUSTIN TX. 78704

TELE.: (512) 440-0071 - FAX: (512) 440-0199 FIRM REGISTRATION # 10118900

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15 MARGRANITA CRESCENT (VARIABLE WIDTH R.O.W.)

David Weekley Homes

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No.: 0088 Proj. No.: 2121 go

TARRYTOWN OAKS 15 MARGRANITA CRESCENT AUSTIN, TX 78703

SOUTH 9582-A PLT PLN ANTONE CENTRAL LIVING

CITY OF AUSTIN ORIGINAL PERMITTED CALCULATIONS

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CITY OF AUSTIN	F,A.R.	IMP, COVERAGE	BLDG COVERAGE	GROSS	MARKETING
CITY OF AUSTIN MAX ALLOWED	.40	45.0%	40.0%		
FLOOR 1 LIVING	1483	1483	1483	1483	1483
FLOOR 2 LIVING	950			950	842
TOTAL	2433			2433	2325
F. PORCH		110	110	110	
R. PORCHES		202	202	202	
CARPORT	0 *	345	345	345	
SLAB		2140	2140		
STEPS		13			
DRIVEWAY		566			
SIDEWALK		4			
A/C PADS		9			
TOTAL AREA	2433	2732	2140		
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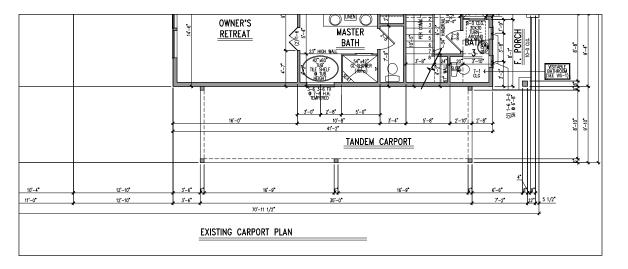
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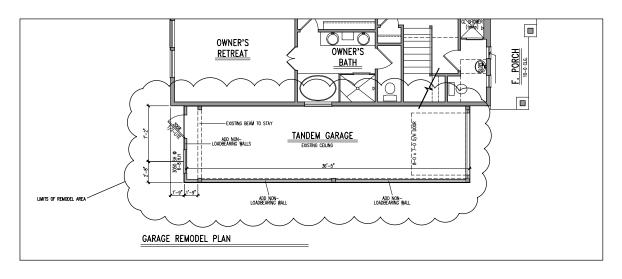
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SIDEWALK		81				
A/C PADS		9				
TOTAL AREA	2596	2898	2158			
LOT AREA	6092.8	6092.8	6092.8	6092.8		
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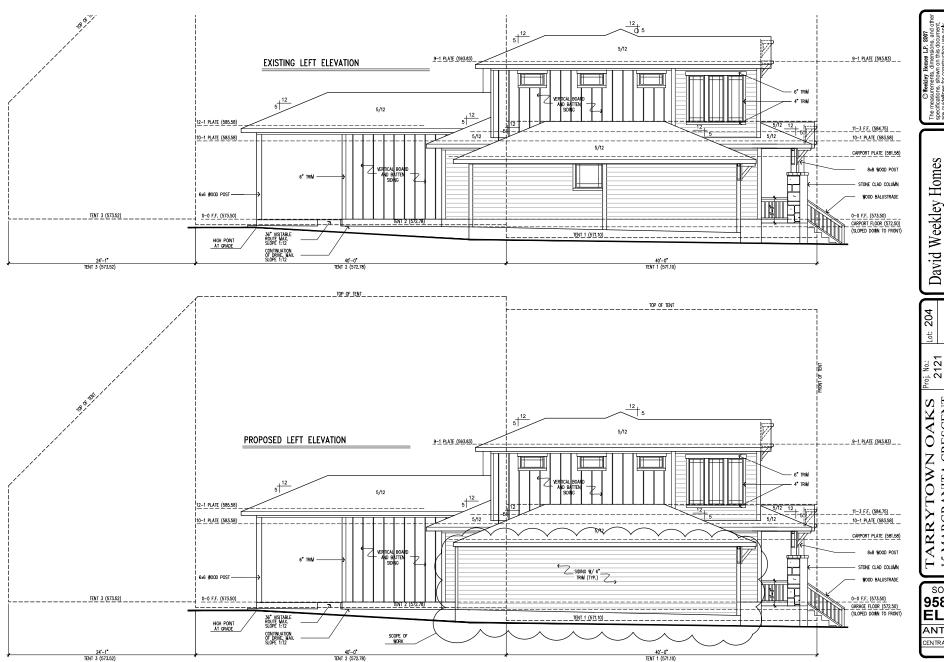
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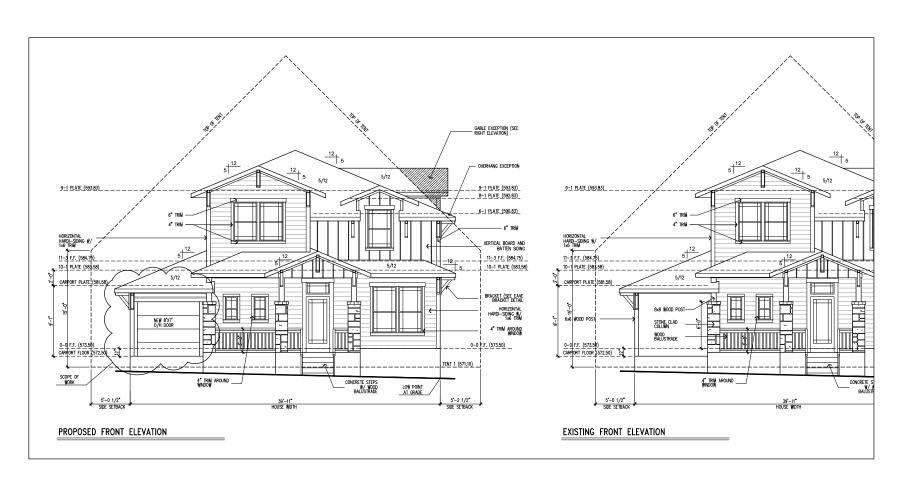


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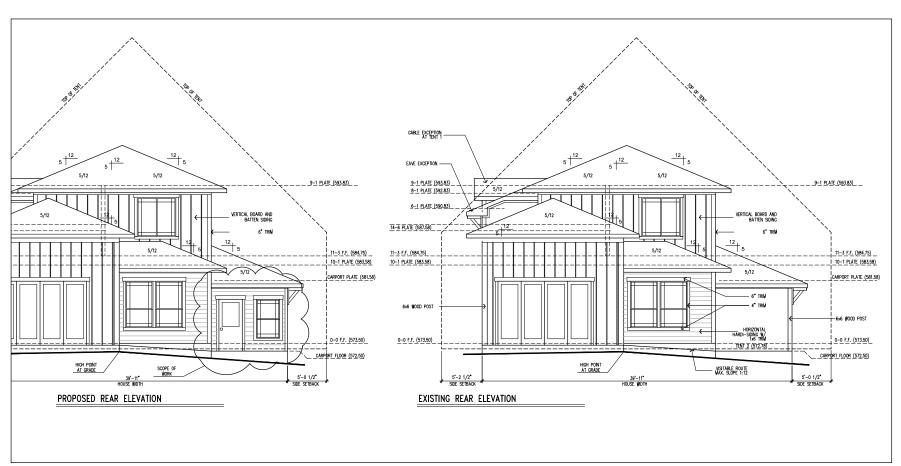
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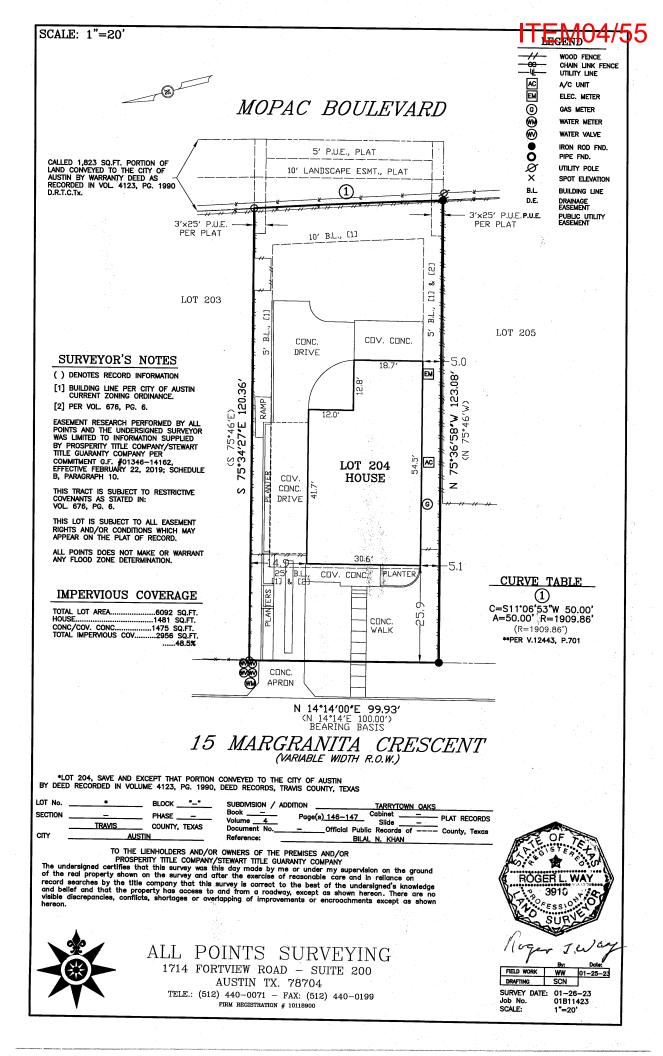
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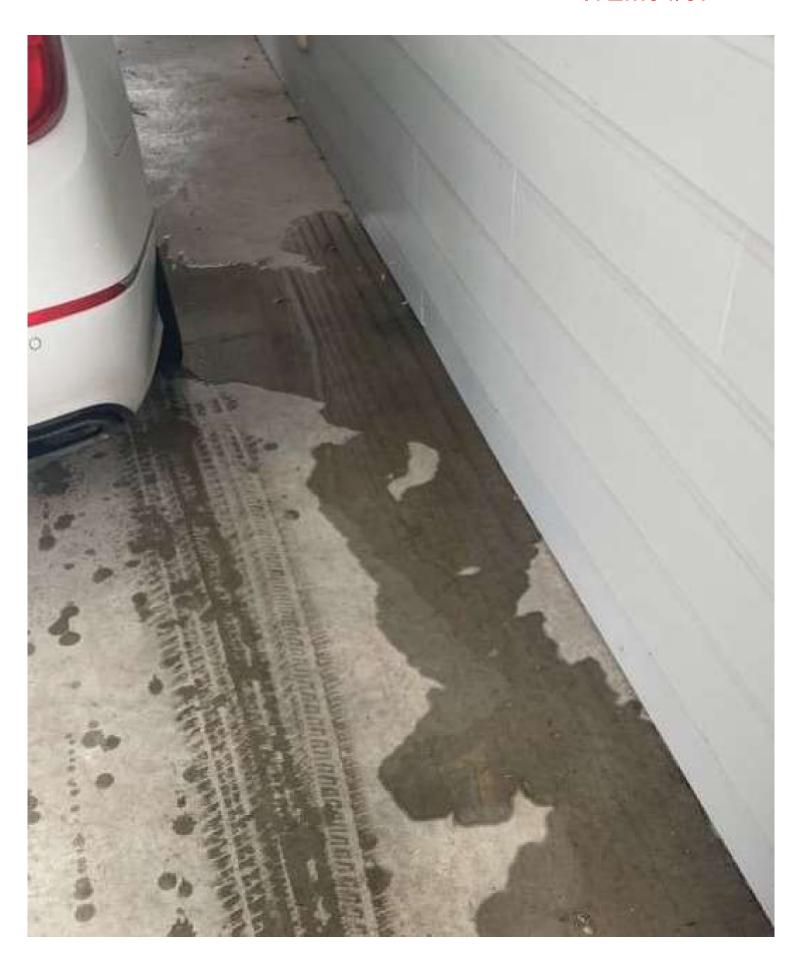
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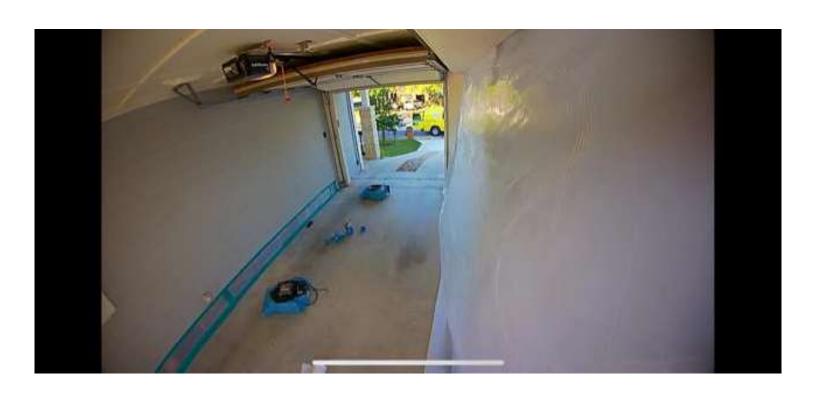
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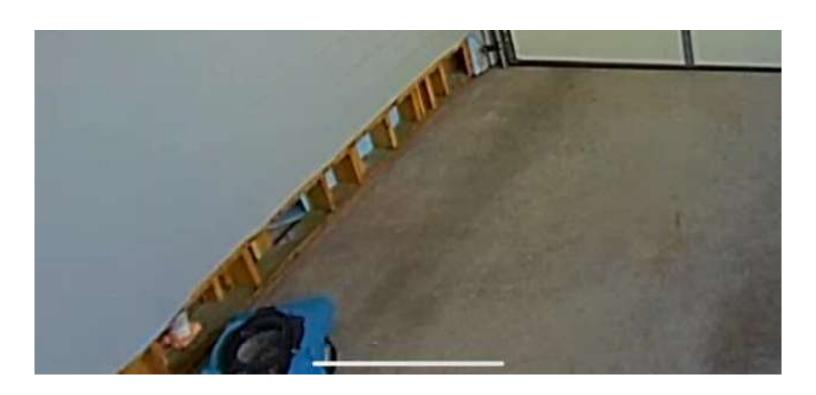


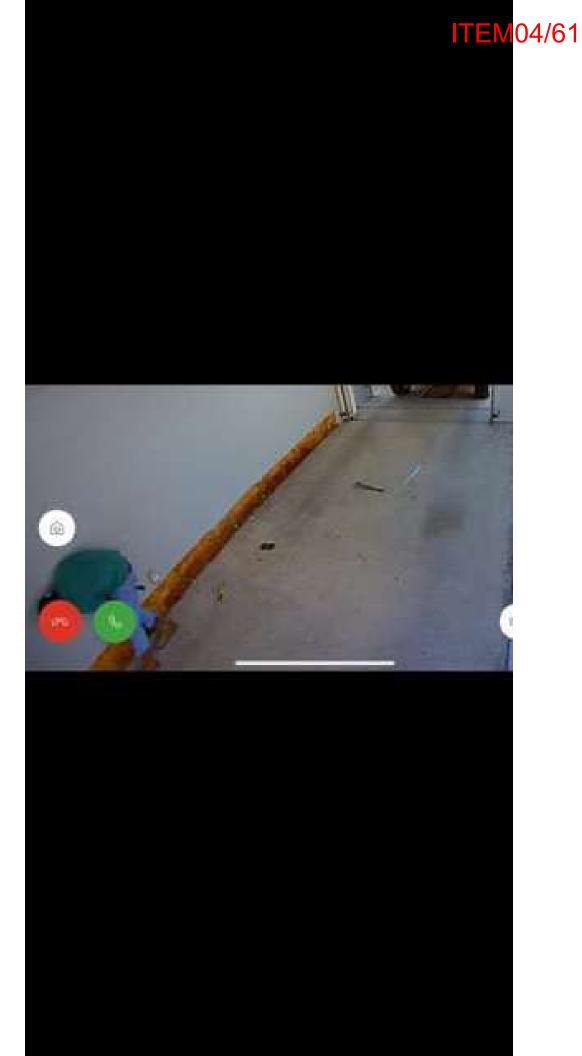


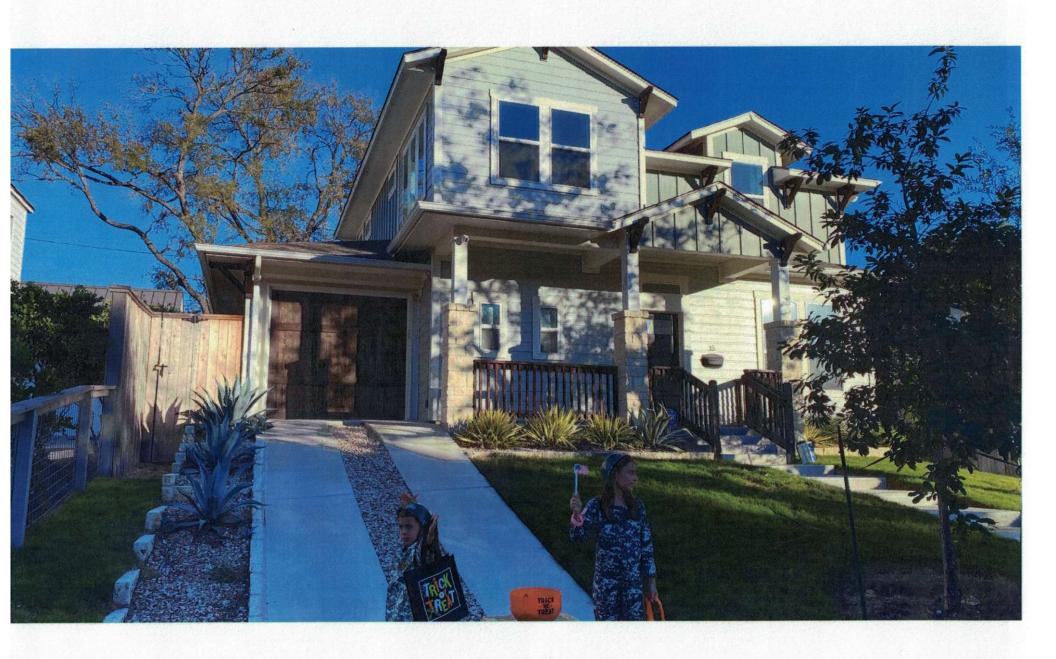


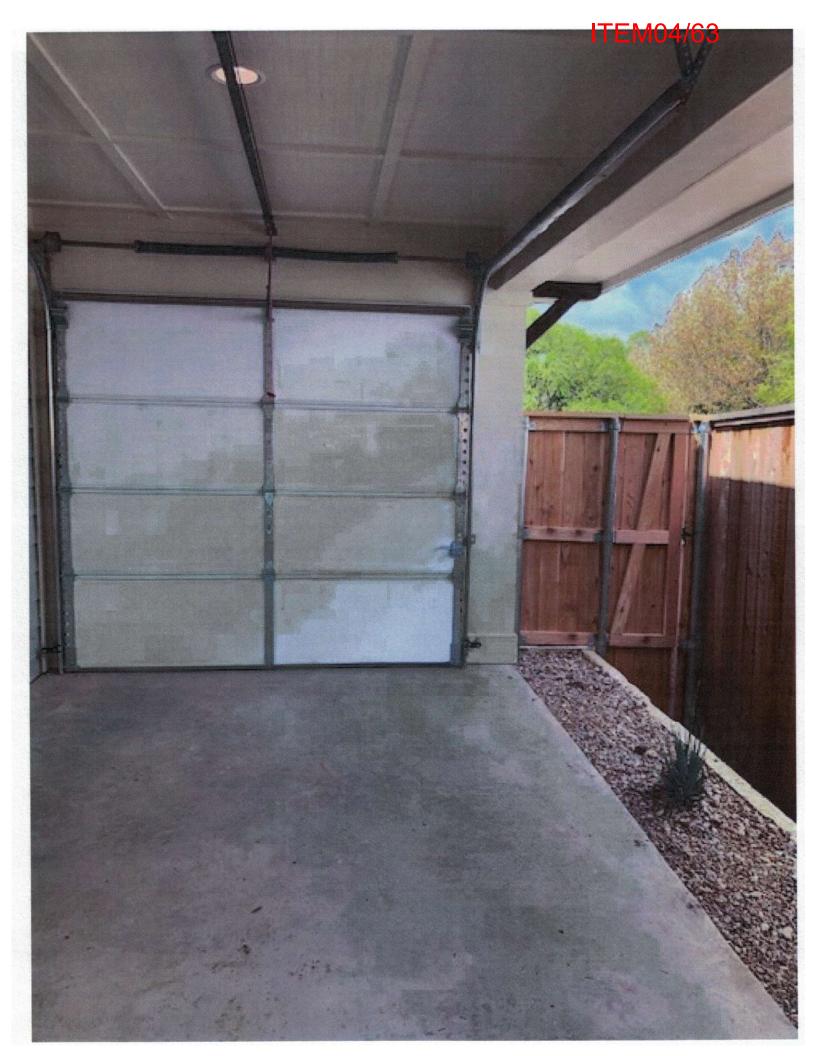


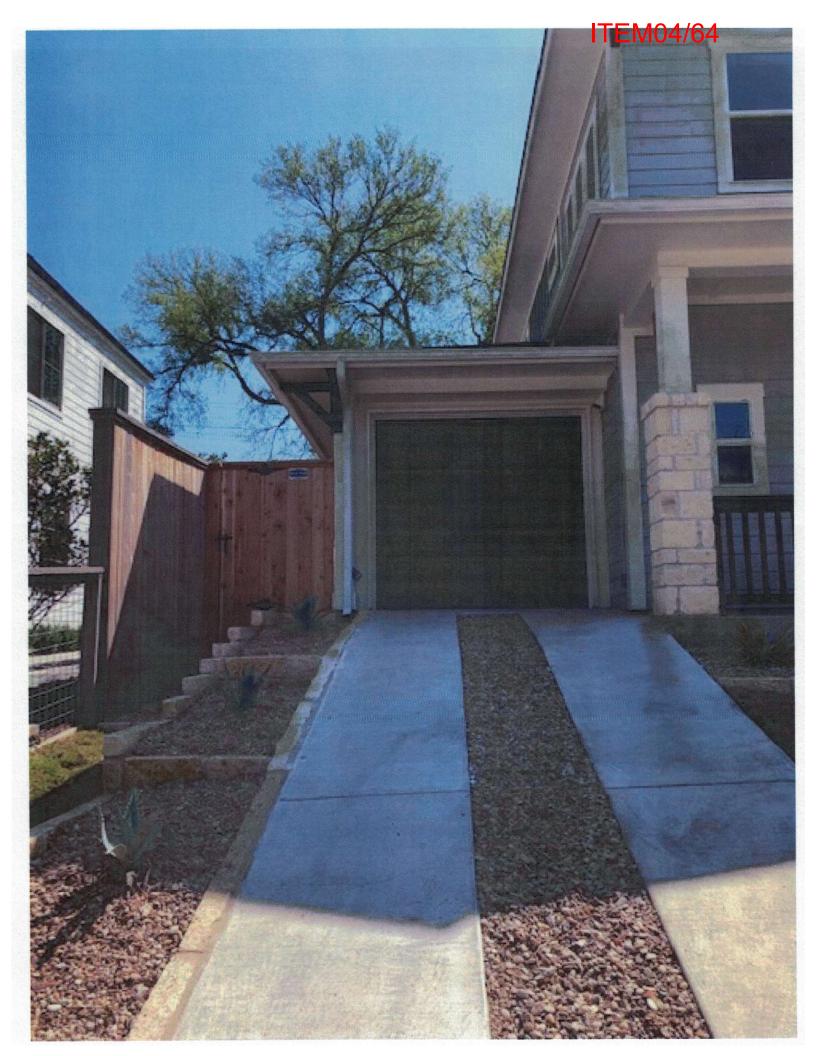






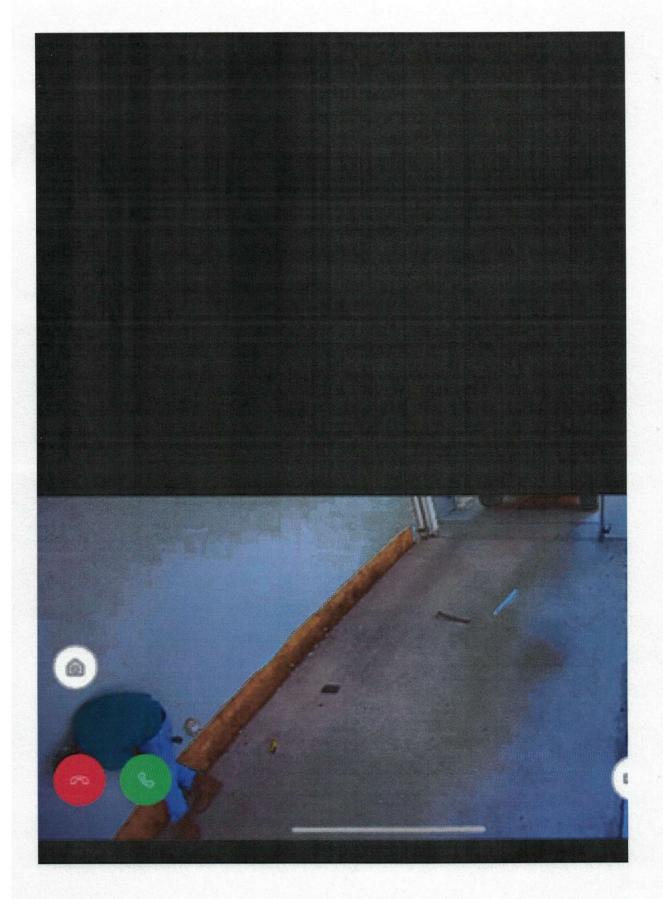






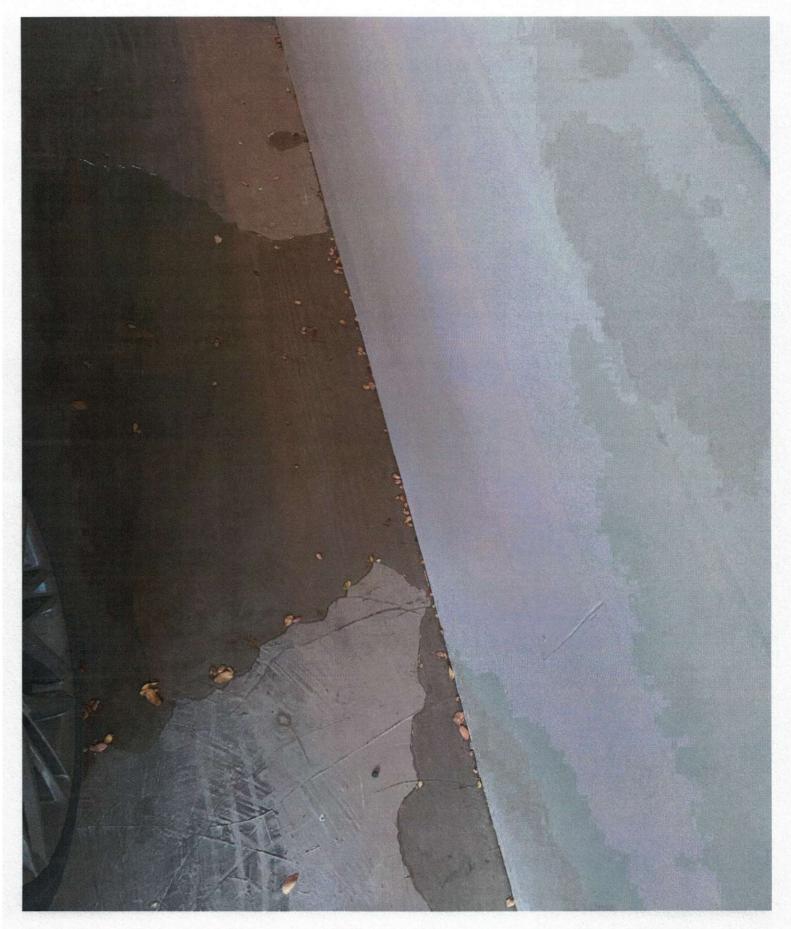


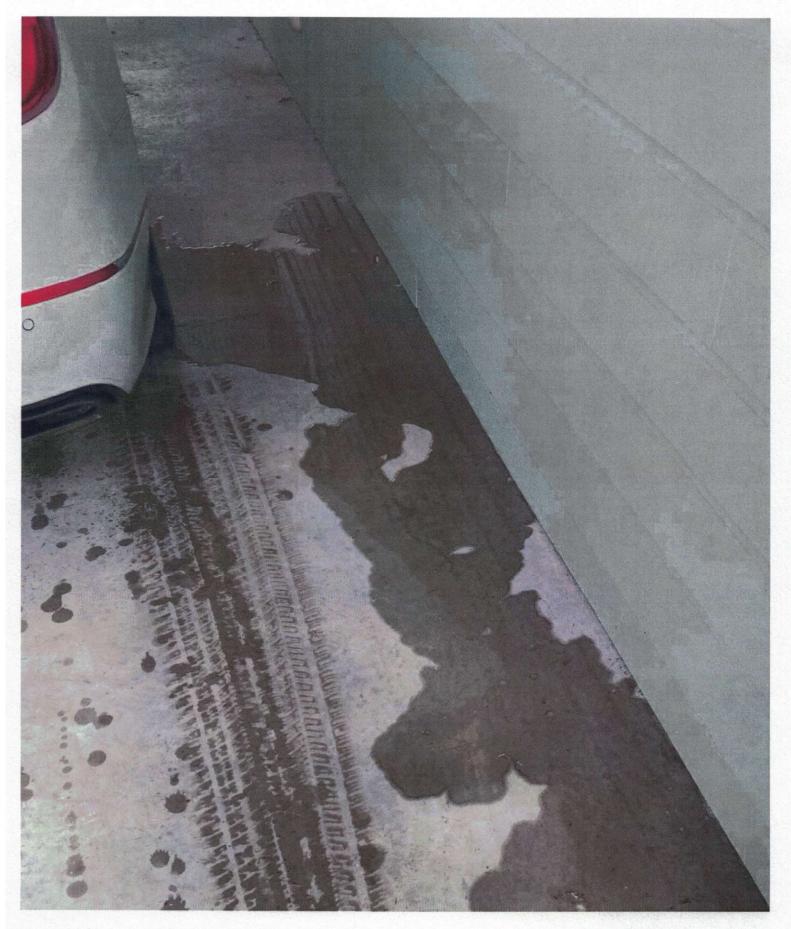


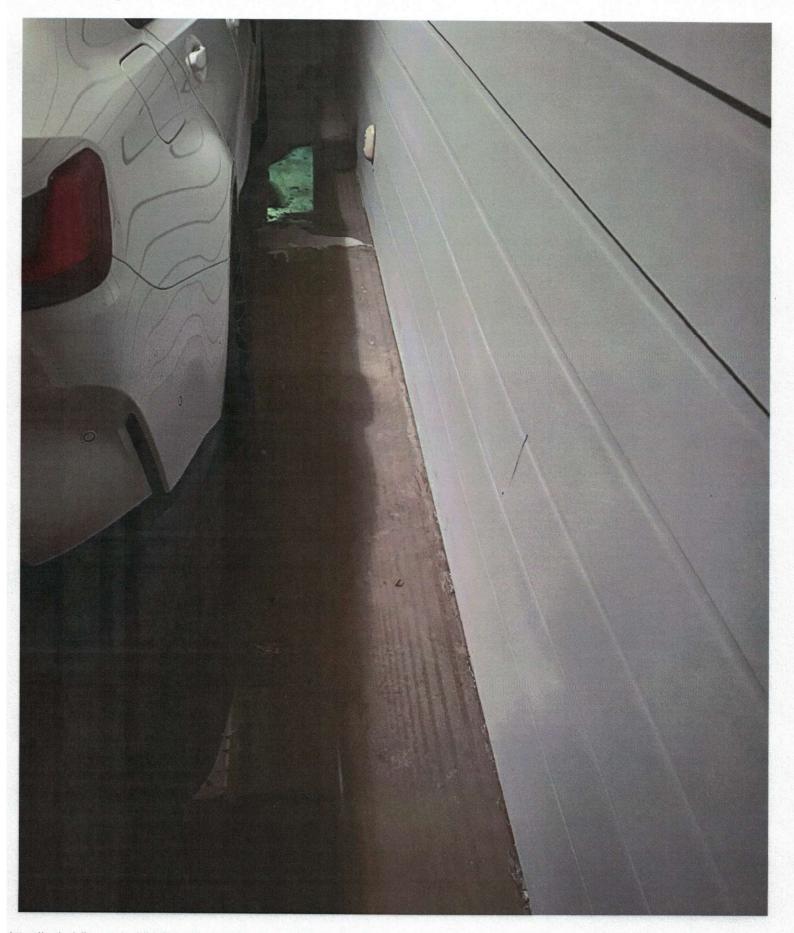


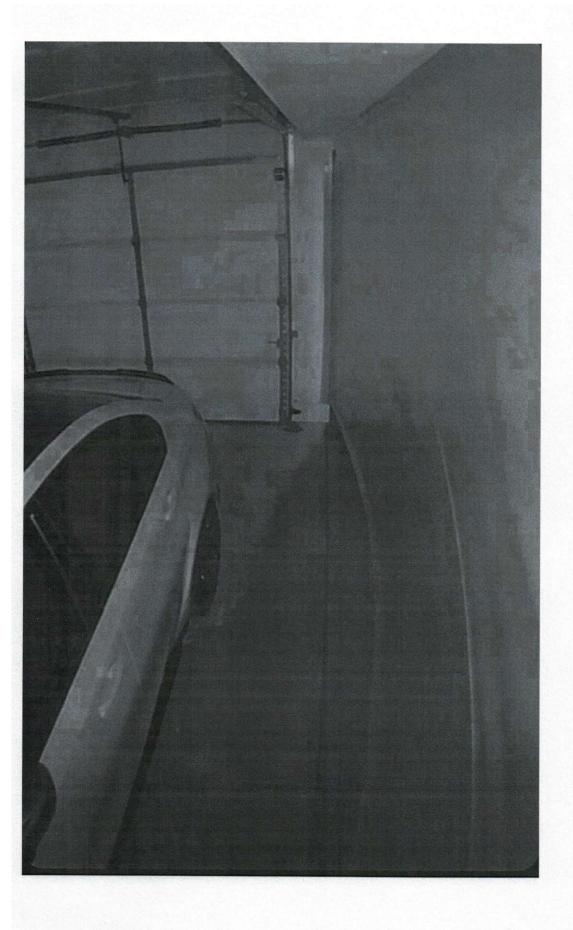
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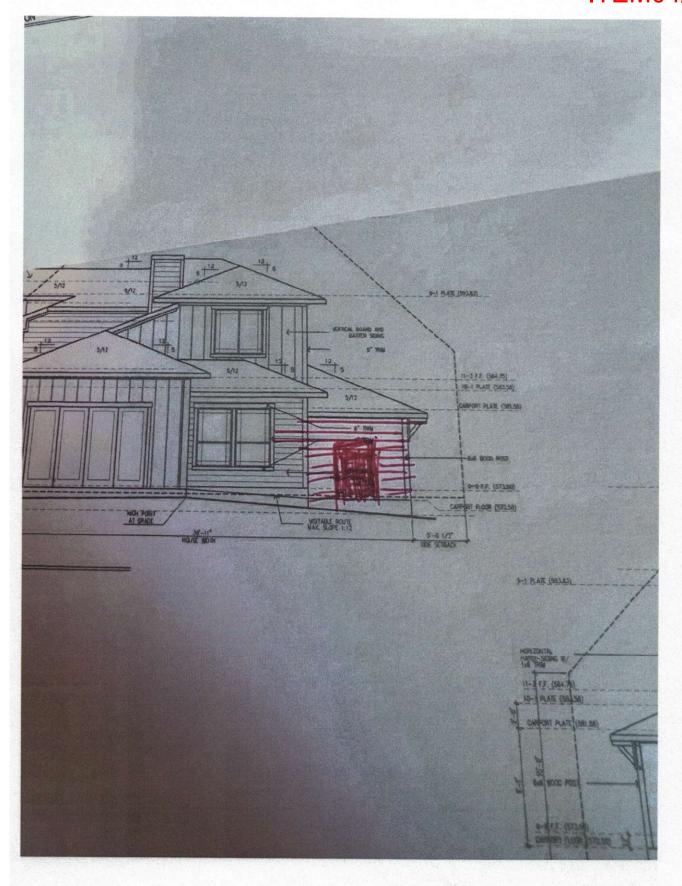


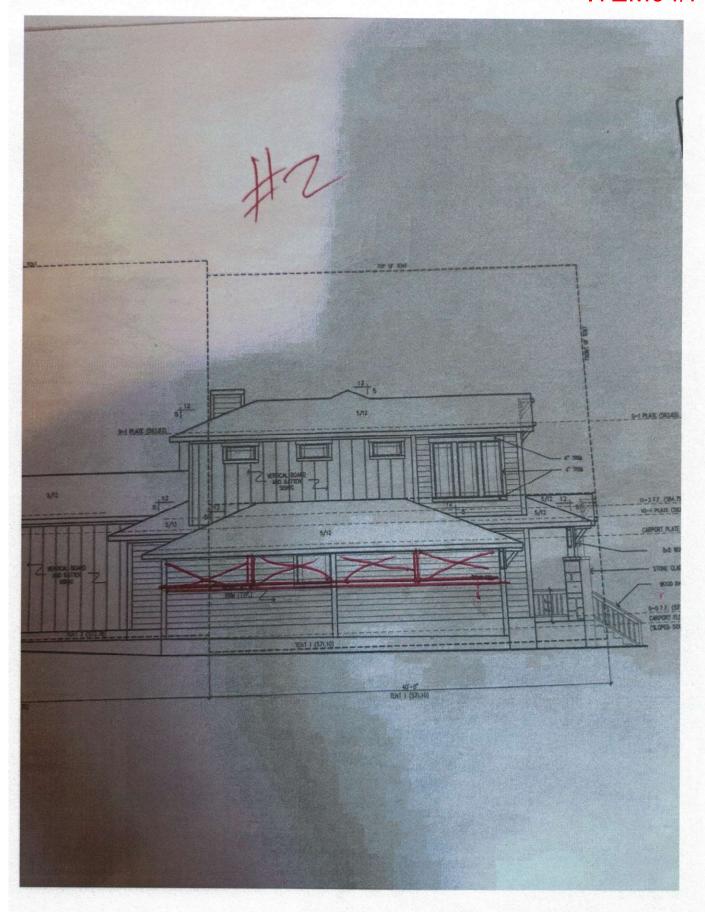












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From: Blake Tollett <

Subject: C15-2023-0026; 15 Margranita Crescent

Date: July 7, 2023 at 3:59:17 PM CDT

To: Elaine Ramirez < Elaine. Ramirez@austintexas.gov>

Bcc: WANG ExCom

Elaine Ramirez, Liaison Board of Adjustment City of Austin

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Respectfully.

Blake Tollett, Land Matters West Austin Neighborhood Group PO Box 5722 Austin, Texas 78763 From:
Ramirez, Elaine

Subject: Fwd: C15-2023-0026; 15 Margranita Crescent **Date:** Monday, September 4, 2023 6:06:45 PM

External Email - Exercise Caution

Elaine,

Please add this email chain and a following email chain to the public record on this matter.

My regards,

Blake Tollett, WANG

Begin forwarded message:

From: Bilal Khan

Subject: Re: C15-2023-0026; 15 Margranita Crescent

Date: August 24, 2023 at 12:36:14 PM CDT

To: Blake

Cc: David Long WANG ExCom

Mr. Tollett

David Long is not my friend, acquaintance or in any sort I know him personally. I only know him professionally.

One thing I can tell you about him is that he is a very sincere and a honest man.

I will let this go after reading your email but please be careful with words - they are very powerful.

Thank you Bilal Khan

On Aug 24, 2023, at 10:22 AM, Blake Tollett

Dr. Kahn-

I have personally hesitated to respond to your email complaint regarding an alleged statement by me concerning the destruction of your home because I am currently in an area with very limited cellular service. However in light of your below email I will for the record make the following declarations:

At the initial public hearing on the variance request at 15 Margranita Crescent, and under oath, I did not state, infer or suggest that your home should be taken down.

When I had a conversation with David Long, project manager for David Weekly Homes, the applicant for the variance request, on Tuesday 22 August, I did not state, infer or suggest that your home should be taken down. To state otherwise is a gross misrepresentation of my comments during our brief discussion.

I ask that you take notice of my declarations above going forward.

My regards to you and your family.

Blake Tollett 3701 Bonnie Road 78703

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Bilal Khan
Date: August 23, 2023 at 3:02:42 PM CDT
To: Holly Reed <h

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Margranita Crescent

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Date: July 7, 2023 at 3:59:17

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<u>, Elaine</u>

Subject: Date: Fwd: C15-2023-0026; 15 Margranita Crescent Monday, September 4, 2023 6:10:03 PM

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Date: August 24, 2023 at 1:23:10 PM CDT

To:

Ms. Reed

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I do not know Mr. Tollett but I heard him speak at the city council regarding FAR. My first impression of him was that he was an angry person who was burnet out and doesn't seem to care about each person and their issues. If he truly cared then he would have contacted me to figure out what's the issue in his neighborhood and perhaps try to help me find a solution or give me ideas. Not to run to the city with letters.

That's what a person with highest integrity and respect does.

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I find your statements very difficult to believe as what you have described is completely out of character for Mr. Tollett. He handles all matters with the highest degree of integrity and respect for members of our community. Are you making a statement that Mr. Tollett personally spoke with you and said the things you have written in this email?

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