

AGENDA BOARD OF VARIANCE MEETING

January 17, 2019, 5:30 PM
Board Room, Service and Resource Centre,
411 Dunsmuir Street, Nanaimo, BC

Pages

- 1. CALL THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF VARIANCE TO ORDER:
- 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:
- 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

a. Minutes 3 - 4

Minutes of the Open Board of Variance Meeting held in the Training Room, City Hall, 455 Wallace Street, Nanaimo, BC, on Thursday, 2018-OCT-18, at 5:30 p.m.

4. PRESENTATIONS:

a. Introductions

Introduction of new Board of Variance members.

b. Board of Variance Application No. BOV710 - 610 Nicol Street

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Legal Description: The Northerly 1/2 of Lot 13, Block Galsworthy, Section 1, Nanaimo District, Plan 584, except part in Plan VIP53148 for road purposes

The applicant is requesting to vary the provisions of Zoning Bylaw No. 4500 to reduce the front yard setback from 4.5m to 4.17m, the north side yard setback from 1.5m to 1.2m, and the south side yard setback from 1.5m to 0.81m in order to raise an existing non-conforming house.

Zoning Bylaw No. 4500 (7.5.1) requires a minimum front yard setback of 4.5m and a minimum side yard setback of 1.5m in the R1 zone.

c. Board of Variance Application No. BOV711 - 2554 Cosgrove Crescent

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Legal Description: Lot 10, Section 20, Range 8, Mountain Plan 18290

The applicant is requesting to vary the provisions of Zoning Bylaw No. 4500 to reduce the side yard setback from 1.5m to 1.15m in order to replace an existing non-conforming open deck.

Zoning Bylaw No. 4500 (7.5.1) requires a minimum side yard setback of 1.5m in the R1 zone.

d. Board of Variance Application No. BOV712 - 2 View Street

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Legal Description: Lot 6, Block 3, Section 1, Nanaimo District, Plan 1662

The applicant is requesting to vary the provisions of Zoning Bylaw No. 4500 to reduce the flanking side yard setback from 4m to 1.15m and the side yard setback from 1.5m to 0.8m in order to raise an existing non-conforming house.

Zoning Bylaw No. 4500 (7.5.1) requires a minimum flanking side yard setback of 4m and a minimum side yard setback of 1.5m in the R1 zone.

5. ADJOURNMENT:

MINUTES

BOARD OF VARIANCE MEETING TRAINING ROOM, 455 WALLACE STREET, NANAIMO, BC THURSDAY, 2018-OCT-18 AT 5:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Members: Bob Irwin, Chair

Jessica Kaman Ron Nadeau

Staff: Caleb Horn, Planning Assistant (Recording Secretary)

1. <u>CALL THE BOARD OF VARIANCE COMMITTEE MEETING TO ORDER:</u>

The Open Board of Variance Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. <u>ADOPTION OF AGENDA:</u>

It was moved and seconded that the Agenda be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

3. <u>ADOPTION OF MINUTES:</u>

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Board of Variance Meeting held 2018-SEP-20 Service and Resource Centre Building, Room 105, Nanaimo, BC be adopted as circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

4. PRESENTATIONS:

a. Board of Variance Application No. BOV707 – 154 Royal Pacific Way

- Mr. Bob Irwin read the application requesting to vary the provisions of Zoning Bylaw No. 4500 to reduce the side yard setback from 1.5m to 0.55m in order to legalize exterior stairs on the east side of an existing single residential dwelling.
- Mr. Glenn Schmitke, the applicant, spoke to the rationale for the application.
 The exterior stairs provide access to a secondary suite on a lower level of the house.
- The Board discussed the requested variance and demonstration of undue hardship.

It was moved and seconded that application BOV00707 for 154 Royal Pacific Way to vary the provisions of the City of Nanaimo "ZONING BYLAW NO. 4500" in order to reduce the side yard setback from 1.5m to 0.55m be approved. The motion carried. <u>Opposed:</u> Jessica Kaman.

b. <u>Board of Variance Application No. BOV708 – 420 Woodhaven Drive</u>

- Mr. Bob Irwin read the application requesting to vary the provisions of Zoning Bylaw No. 4500 to reduce the setback for garage door from 6m to 1.98m in order to construct a new single residential dwelling with attached garage.
- Mr. Troy Keen, the applicant, spoke to the rationale for the application. The
 lots on the south side of Woodhaven Drive are adjacent to Long Lake and too
 steep to accommodate a functional driveway.
- The Board discussed the requested variance and the demonstration of undue hardship.

It was moved and seconded that application BOV00708 for 420 Woodhaven Drive to vary the provisions of the City of Nanaimo "ZONING BYLAW NO. 4500" in order to reduce the front yard setback for a garage from 6m to 1.98m be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

c. <u>Board of Variance Application No. BOV709 – 5364 Vincent Place</u>

- Mr. Bob Irwin read the application requesting to vary the provisions of Zoning Bylaw No. 4500 to reduce the side yard setback from 1.5m to 0.46m in order to legalize exterior stairs on the east side of an existing single residential dwelling.
- Ms. Haemi Kim, the applicant, spoke to the rationale for the application. The
 exterior stairs provide access to a secondary suite on a lower level of the
 house.
- The Board discussed the requested variance and the demonstration of undue hardship.

It was moved and seconded that application BOV00709 for 5364 Vincent Place to vary the provisions of the City of Nanaimo "ZONING BYLAW NO. 4500" in order to reduce the side yard setback from 1.5m to 0.46m be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

5. ADJOURNMENT:

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CORPORATE OFFICER	



NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of the Board of Variance will be held on Thursday, 2019-JAN-17, at 5:30pm in the Board Room, Service and Resource Centre, 411 Dunsmuir Street, Nanaimo, BC to hear the following appeal:

APPEAL NO: BOV00710

Applicant: Nigel Fee

Civic Address: 610 NICOL STREET

Legal Description: THE NORTHERLY 1/2 OF LOT 13, BLOCK GALSWORTHY,

SECTION 1, NANAIMO DISTRICT, PLAN 584, EXCEPT PART IN

PLAN VIP53148 FOR ROAD PURPOSES

Purpose: Zoning Bylaw No. 4500 requires a minimum front yard setback of

4.5m and a minimum side yard setback of 1.5m in the R1 zone. The applicant is requesting a front yard setback of 4.17m, a north side yard setback of 1.2m, and a south side yard setback of 0.81m in order to replace the foundation of an existing non-conforming house and raise it by approximately 0.6m. This represents setback variances of

0.33m, 0.3m, and 0.69m respectively.

Zoning Regulations: Single Family Residential – R1. The applicant requests a variance to

the City of Nanaimo "ZONING BYLAW 2011 NO. 4500":

Section 7.5.1 – Siting of Buildings

A minimum front yard setback of 4.5m is required. A minimum side yard setback of 1.5m is required.

The Board of Variance decision will apply to subsequent owners of the land. If you deem your property to be affected by this appeal, please feel free to attend this meeting. Anyone wishing to address this appeal will be afforded the opportunity to be heard at the Board of Variance meeting. This application may be reviewed with Staff at the Community Development Department, 411 Dunsmuir Street, Nanaimo, BC, or by calling 250-755-4460 (x4344), during normal business hours, Monday to Friday, excluding statutory holidays, from 2019-JAN-07 to 2019-JAN-17 inclusive. Questions or comments can also be sent by email to: planning@nanaimo.ca

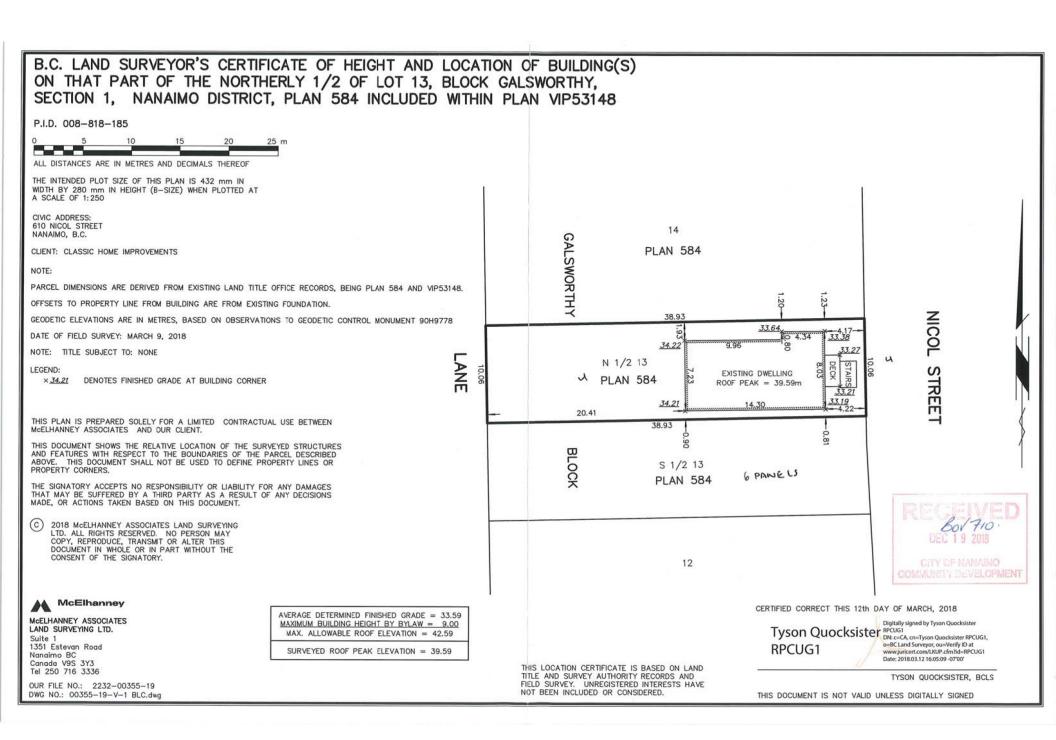
LOCATION PLAN



BOARD OF VARIANCE NO. BOV00710 LOCATION PLAN



CIVIC: 610 NICOL STREET
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: THE NORTHERLY 1/2 OF LOT 13
BLOCK GALSWORTHY SECTION 1 NANAIMO DISTRICT
PLAN 584 EXCERT PART IN PLAN VIP53148



AERIAL PHOTO







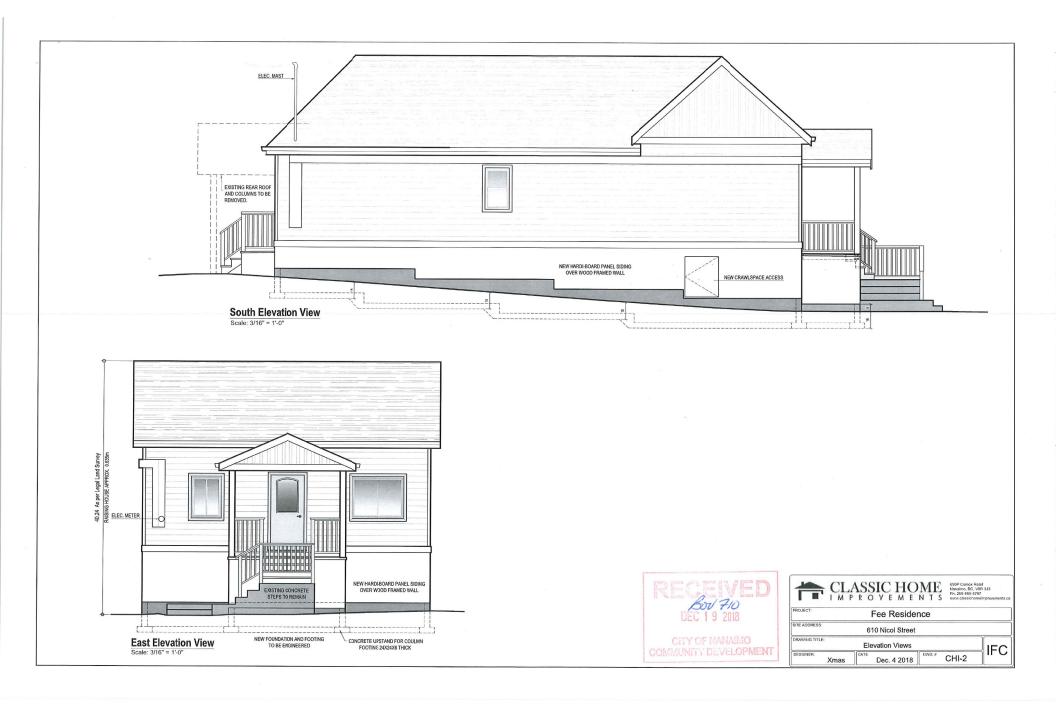
610 Nicol St, Variance Rationale Letter

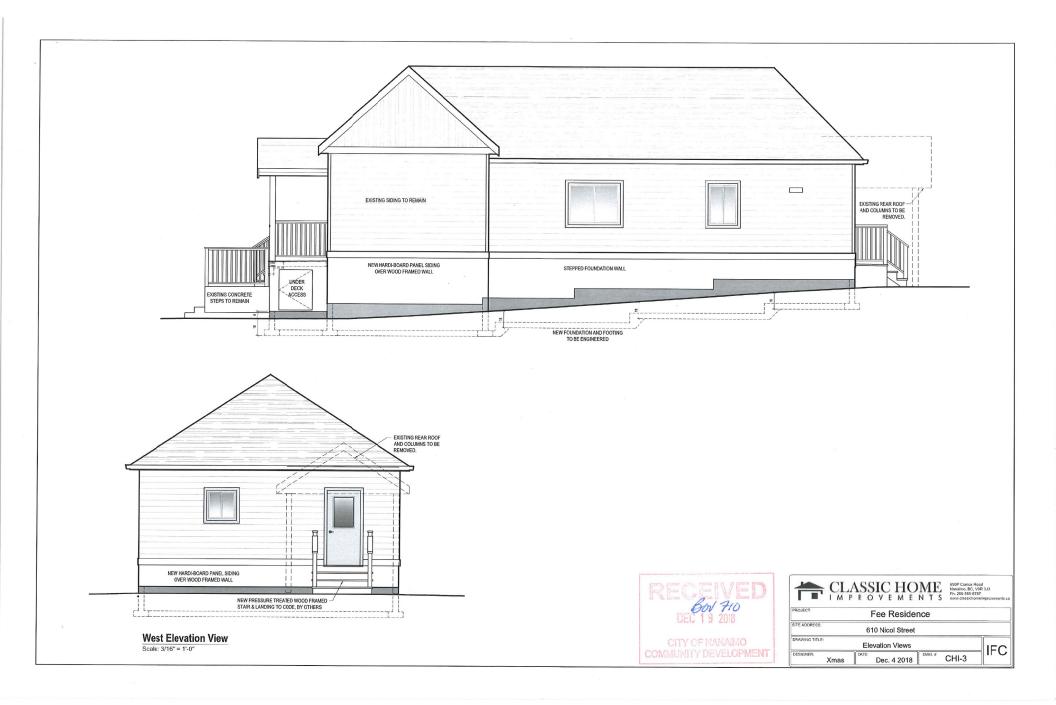
The property at 610 Nicol St was on a partial concrete foundation, the remainder of the house was on a wood foundation. Upon inspection by a Contractor and Engineer it was determined that the existing concrete foundation was in disrepair.

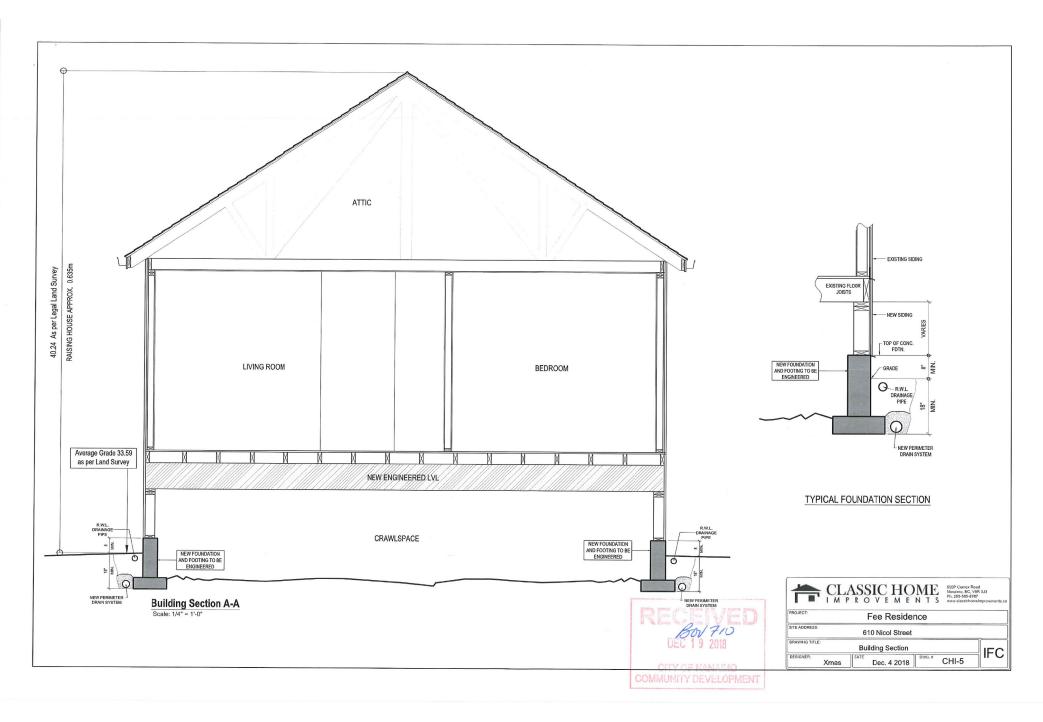
A decision was made to enter into a contract to raise the house and replace the concrete foundation. The project went through a Building Permit application and was approved. The house was raised and the existing concrete foundation was removed. During this process it was discovered that much of the existing wood foundation, framing and existing floor joists were rotting and not structurally sound. This was due in part to a slope and drainage issue at the rear of the home. Upon consultation with the Contractor and Engineer it was determined the only course of action would be to raise the existing foot print of the home. This would allow for proper clearance from the top of the new concrete foundation to the existing ground level along with the installation of a proper perimeter drain system.

The rationale for this variance application is that it has been determined by the Contractor and Engineers that there is no other course of action in order to complete this project in a manner that would allow for the home to be returned to a new foundation which meets current building code standards.











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APPEAL NO: BOV00711

Applicant: Amelia Mahony and Daniel Mahony

Civic Address: 2554 COSGROVE CRESCENT

LOT 10, SECTION 20, RANGE 8, MOUNTAIN PLAN 18290

Purpose: Zoning Bylaw No. 4500 requires a minimum side yard setback of

1.5m in the R1 zone. The applicant is requesting a side yard setback of 0.35m in order to replace an existing non-conforming open deck.

This represents a setback variance of 1.15m.

Zoning Regulations: Single Family Residential – R1. The applicant requests a variance to

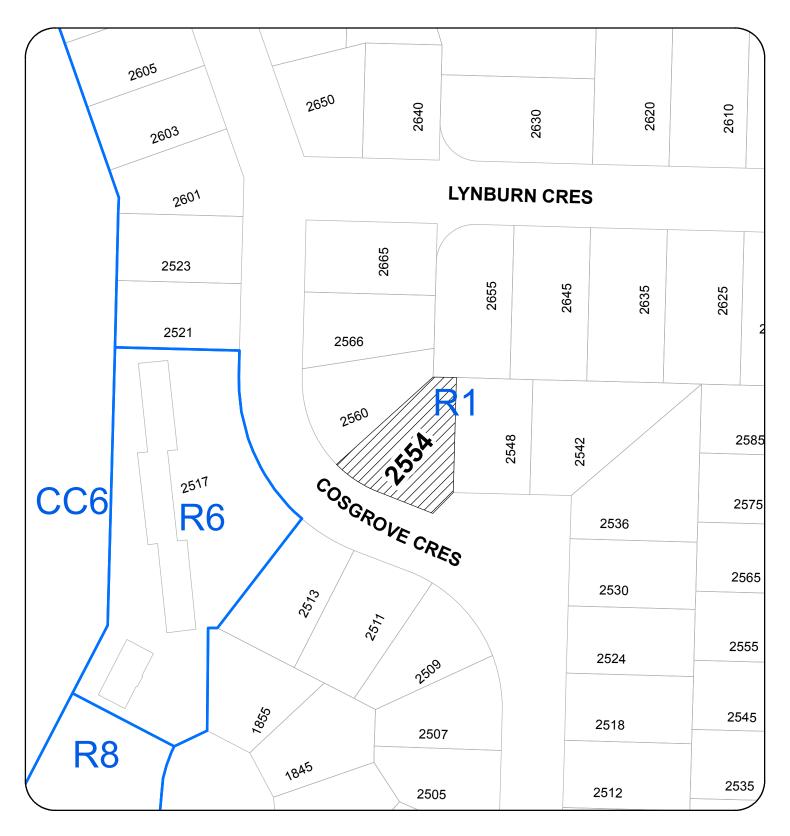
the City of Nanaimo "ZONING BYLAW 2011 NO. 4500":

Section 7.5.1 – Siting of Buildings

A minimum side yard setback of 1.5m is required.

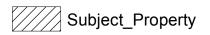
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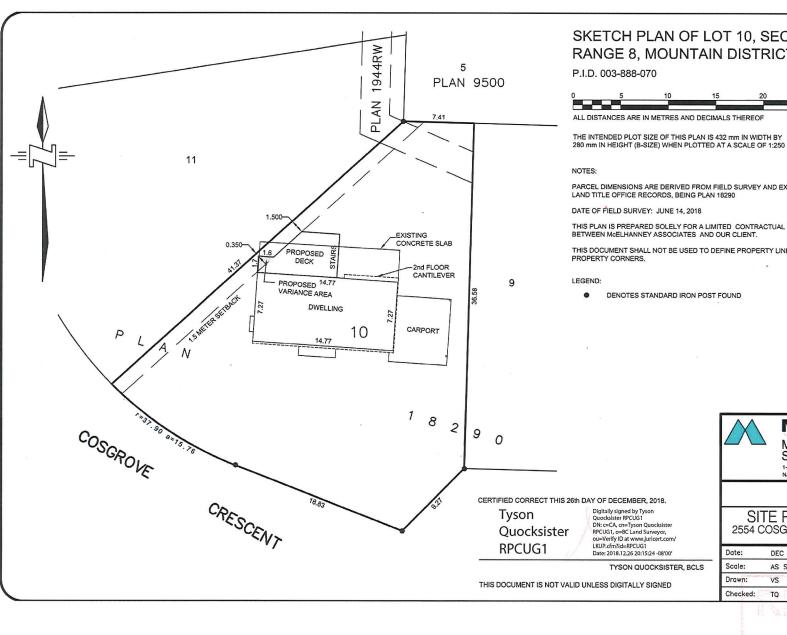


BOARD OF VARIANCE NO. BOV00711 LOCATION PLAN





CIVIC: 2554 COSGROVE CRESCENT LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT 10, SECTION 20, RANGE 8 MOUNTAIN, PLAN 18290



SKETCH PLAN OF LOT 10, SECTION 20, RANGE 8, MOUNTAIN DISTRICT, PLAN 18290



THE INTENDED PLOT SIZE OF THIS PLAN IS 432 mm IN WIDTH BY

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THIS PLAN IS PREPARED SOLELY FOR A LIMITED CONTRACTUAL USE BETWEEN McELHANNEY ASSOCIATES AND OUR CLIENT.

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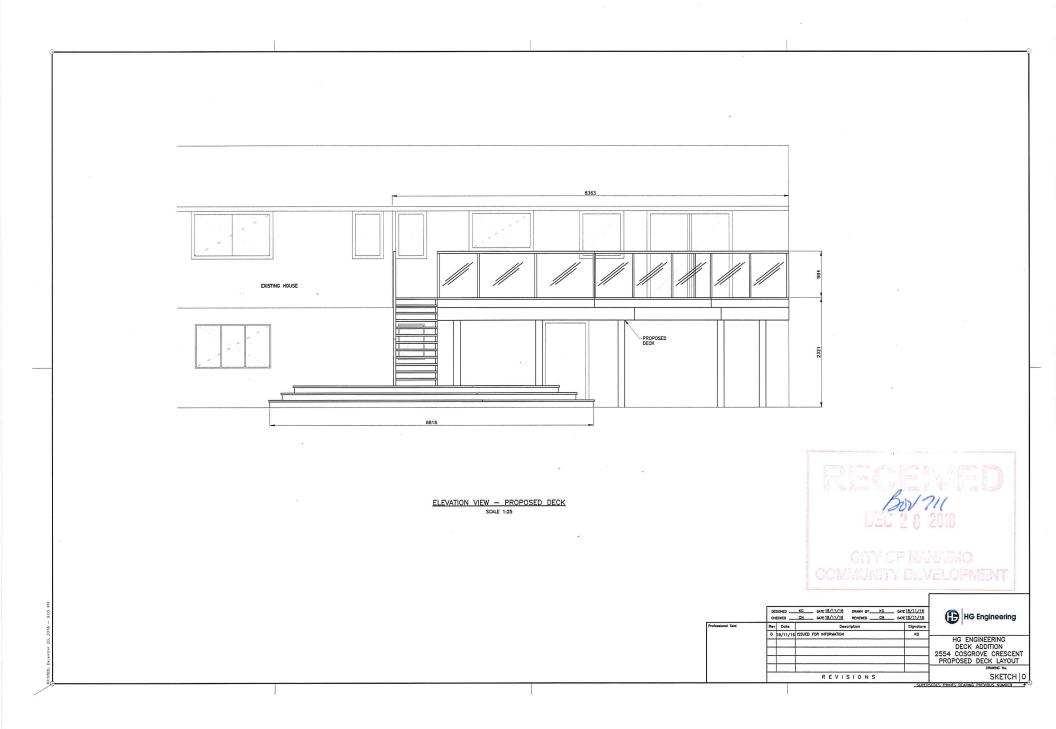
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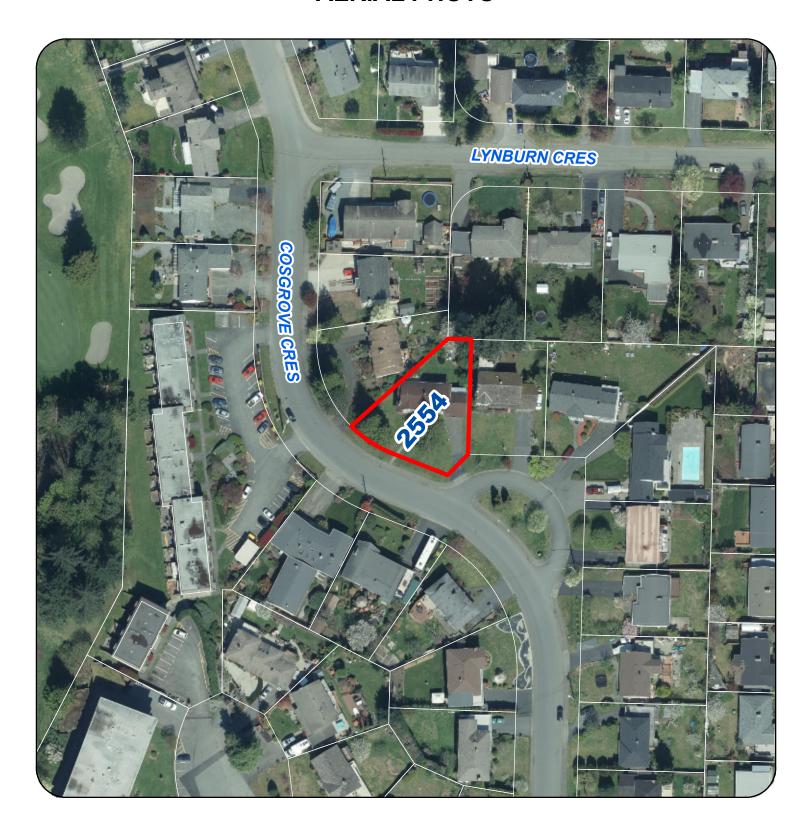
AMELIA MAHONY

SITE PLAN FOR VARIANCE 2554 COSGROVE CRESCENT, NANAIMO, BC

Date:	DEC 26, 2018	MCSL Project No.				
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AERIAL PHOTO







2554 Cosgrove cres. Nanaimo, B.C. V9S 3P3

To Nanaimo City Council,

Re: rationale for a development variance.

We live at 2554 Cosgrove Crescent. The purpose of this letter is to describe the current situation of our existing deck as well as our interests in building a new one. Our neighbours are at 2518 Cosgrove Cres. Ours, and the neighbour's house were built very close together such that the corner of our house rests on the setback line.

Currently, we have a backyard deck that extends from our house into our allotted setback. The previous owner of our house originally built this deck without a permit (pictures 1-4).

Picture 1. The part of the deck that is over the setback facing our neighbour's house.





Picture 2. Top down view of the corner of the deck that is over the setback.



Picture 3. Street view of the deck.



For our new plans, we investigated removing the part of the deck that extends over the setback; however, we found that this leads to a very large impracticality for the doors leading out from our house. We currently have a sliding glass door but, would like to add French doors

soon. Movement of our doors is a hardship, as the cost would be insurmountable and lead us to require a full kitchen remodel.

Picture 4 demonstrates what would be the predictable result if this part of the deck was not present.

Picture 4: extrapolated railing line for our deck if constructed in line with the setback.



As shown in picture 4, the angle that would result from the setback is 42.9 degrees. This results in a distance of 0.5 m between the hinge of the door which is very impractical and unsafe for the addition of doors that open to the outside.

We have our neighbour's support as is outlined in the text from their email dated November 18th, 2018:

"You have our permission to go ahead with the revised deck plans on your property." Warmest regards,

Thank you for considering our request for a developmental variance.

Amelia & Daniel Mahony

Mahony, Amelia

From:

Mahony, Amelia

Sent:

November-19-18 9:21 AM

To:

Mahony, Amelia

Subject:

FW: deck plans

From:

Sent: Wednesday, November 14, 2018 1:22 PM

To: Daniel & Amelia Mahony

Subject: Re: deck plans

Daniel & Amelia,

First Of all we are so sorry for the delay in getting back to you. You have our permission to go ahead with the revised deck plans on your property.

Warmest regards,

Darlene & Andres Dominguez

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 12, 2018, at 3:01 PM, Daniel & Amelia Mahony

> wrote:

Hi

I hope we can hear from you soon. We have some deadlines that we'd really like to meet for building permits etc.

Hope you are having a nice long weekend,

Amelia & Daniel.

From: Daniel & Amelia Mahony <

Sent: Tuesday, October 30, 2018 5:35 PM

To:

Subject: FW: deck plans

Hi ,

I just realized that I may have better luck at this email address. Please see below and attached photos. Hope you are well.

Amelia

From: Daniel & Amelia Mahony <

Sent: Sunday, October 14, 2018 9:30 PM



From: PLANNING

Subject: Appeal No. BOV00711 2554 Cosgrove Crescent

Date: Sunday, January 06, 2019 6:01:04 PM

Board of Variance

We support our neighbor's request for a zoning variance to permit the replacement of their non-conforming deck.

2566 Cosgrove Crescent

Sent from my iPad



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APPEAL NO: BOV00712

Applicant: Holland Vieaux

Civic Address: 2 VIEW STREET

LOT 6, BLOCK 3, SECTION 1, NANAIMO DISTRICT, PLAN 1662

Purpose: Zoning Bylaw No. 4500 requires a minimum flanking side yard

setback of 4m and a minimum side yard setback of 1.5m in the R1 zone. The applicant is requesting a flanking side yard setback of 1.15m and a side yard setback of 1.15m in order to raise an existing non-conforming house by approximately 0.8m. This represents

setback variances of 2.85m and 0.35m respectively.

Zoning Regulations: Single Family Residential – R1. The applicant requests a variance to

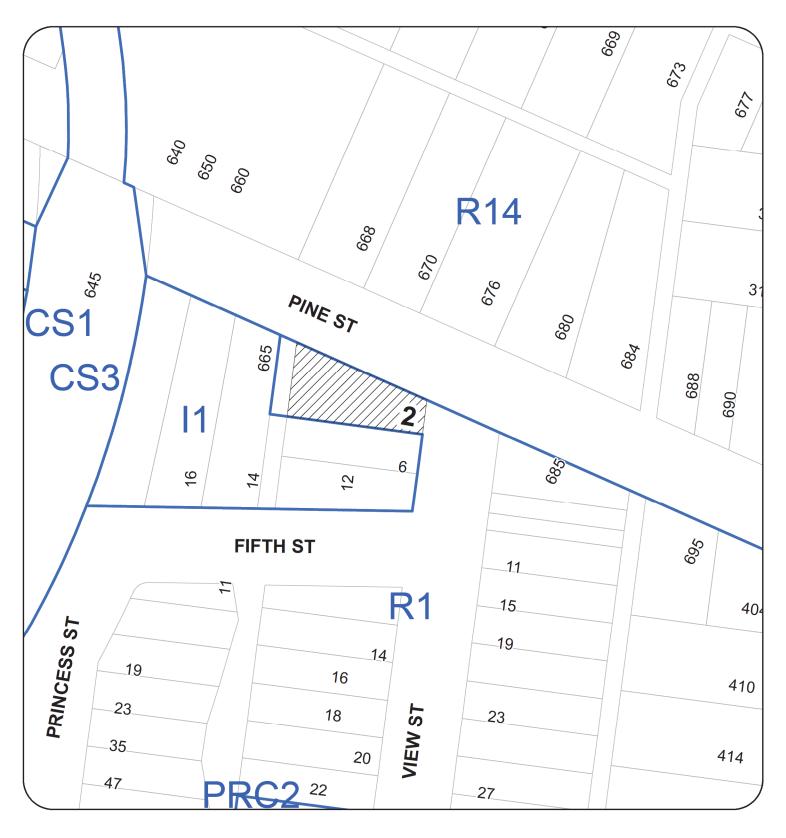
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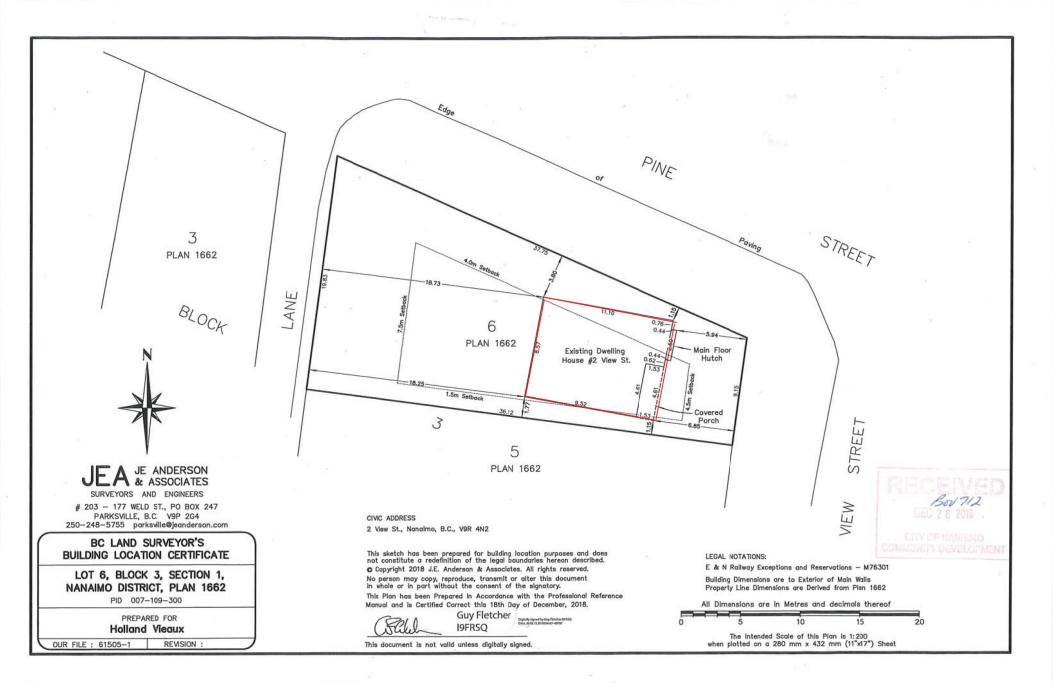


BOARD OF VARIANCE NO. BOV00712 LOCATION PLAN





CIVIC: 2 VIEW STREET LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT 6, BLOCK 3, SECTION 1 NANAIMO DISTRICT, PLAN 1662



AERIAL PHOTO







City of Nanaimo - Board of Variance

December 28, 2018

Re: 2 View Street, Nanaimo, B.C., V9R 4N2

PID: 007-109-300

Lot 6, Block 3, Section 1, Nanaimo District, Plan 1662

Dear Members of the Board,

In June of 2018 I purchased this property with the intent of upgrading the existing home to today's code requirements while attempting to retain as much of the original character as possible. Through my conversations in the past six months, spending time cleaning up the property and getting to know many of the long term neighbours, I have learned much history of the home and the family who built and owned it until I acquired it this year. It's obvious this property was well taken care of for many decades since the time it was built in the 1920's, but in the last decade has been let go and become a bit of an eyesore for the neighbourhood. I have decided in the past few months that I want to raise the house in place, with the hopes of creating more habitable space in the basement, including a secondary suite.

When originally constructed, the home was placed approximately 1.2m(4') from both side lot lines at the front of the house, centering it on this wedge shaped property. As front, back, and sideyard setbacks were not a concern when constructed, it was not a problem to place the house where it currently sits. However, by today's standards the existing home is encroaching on both the sideyard and flanking sideyard setbacks. Therefore, undue hardship is created if the City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw No. 4500 Sec. 7.5.1. is strictly applied.

In order to move forward with the upgrades and beautification of this property I am applying to have the sideyard setback relaxed from 1.5m down to 1.15m (a variance of 0.35m) as well as the flanking sideyard setback relaxed from 4.0m to 1.15m (a variance of 2.85m).

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter, please find attached all applicable documents.

Sincerely, Holland Vieaux







