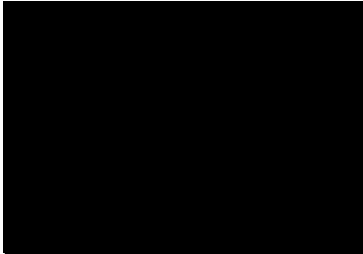


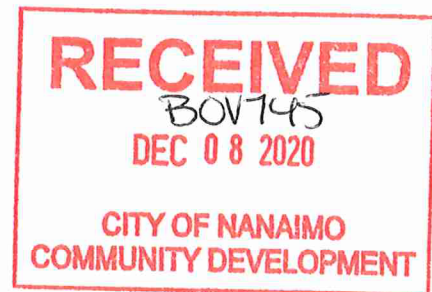
Constance and Melvin Crum

2198 Departure Bay Road



December 8, 2020.

Board of Variance, City of Nanaimo
Nanaimo, BC



Dear Board of Variance:

Our house is located on Departure Bay Road, where there is almost constant traffic (including many buses, trucks and motorcycles) on 4 lanes. The main entrance and main floor of our house is close to street level; we find it very noisy and stressful. The noise and busy-ness make it difficult to enjoy being outside gardening, talking or even getting into and out of the car! It's hard even to greet visitors or to say goodbye to them because of the traffic noise. It is particularly noisy due to vehicles braking and accelerating, at the traffic light, at the corner of Departure Bay Road and Montrose Avenue.

We'd like to build a 2 metre high fence inside our property line on Departure Bay Road, along the whole of our lot line bordering Departure Bay Road, to reduce the noise and give us some privacy from the large volume of traffic.

The variances we are requesting are:

1. Section 6.10 Fence Height. Increase allowable fence height to 2 metres. (The hardship with the height bylaw is that a 1.2 metre high fence is not high enough to help block the sound or sight of the constant traffic).
2. Section 6.9 Visibility at Intersections. Please waive the requirement for a 7 metre distance from the corner, reduction in height. (The hardship of this bylaw is that, although we are located on a "corner" and this rule applies to us, the road right of way is greater than 11 metres from Montrose Avenue to our lot. Our proposed fence would meet the intent of the bylaw, to not obstruct the visibility of the road. Please see the document titled "Aerial View").

Thank you very much.

Yours truly,

Two handwritten signatures in black ink. The first signature appears to be "C. Crum" and the second appears to be "M. Crum".

Constance and Melvin Crum